

The Parish Church of  
**SAINT EDWARD THE CONFESSOR**

Burgess Hill

*Building a Community of God's People  
in the Power of the Holy Spirit*

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2014

*The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

6.00 p.m. (Saturday evening) Vigil Mass

10.00 a.m. PARISH MASS with Kidz Zone

In our Gospel reading today Jesus tells a story about a man who found a treasure which someone had hidden in a field. He was so happy that he immediately went and sold everything he had and bought the field so that the treasure would be his. Jesus told about another man who went in search of fine pearls. When he found a pearl that he thought was the very best, he sold everything that he had so that he could buy the pearl. These men both found something that they thought was worth giving everything they owned so that they could have it. Do you know what this thing was that Jesus was talking about? He wasn't talking about buried treasure or beautiful pearls, he was talking about the kingdom of heaven. The kingdom of heaven is the greatest treasure we could ever desire. It is more precious than silver, gold, or jewels. That is why Jesus calls us to give up all that we have and follow him. Is that too great a price? I don't think so. In fact, I would say, "The Price Is Right!"



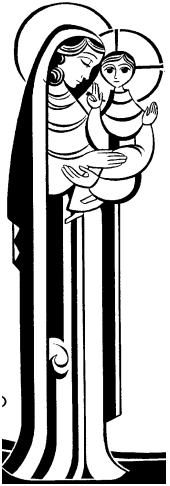
WELCOME TO EVERYONE  
GATHERED HERE FOR WORSHIP THIS MORNING  
A special welcome to any newcomers or visitors today.

*Coffee and tea is served in the Church Hall after the Parish Mass. Do please stay and share in this short time of getting to know one another better.*

**'Messy Mass'**: During the school holidays the Thursday morning Mass (at 10.30 a.m.) will be simplified and shortened and we invite all **parents with toddlers** and **children** to join us for this worship which will be followed by coffee in the Church Hall.

Obviously we hope that others will be here to support this venture – so 'oldies' are very welcome!!!

This will begin this coming Thursday - **31<sup>st</sup> July** and will continue throughout the school holiday period.



*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
the summer festival of Our Lady  
is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August.*

*There will be a SUNG MASS at 7.30 p.m.  
which will be followed by '  
Drinks & Nibbles'*

*to celebrate Audrey's Birthday!  
Please note the date and please be here to  
share in this lovely festival and to wish  
Audrey a very Happy Birthday!*

**The Sunday Vigil Mass – on Saturday evening at 6.00 p.m.**

The Vigil Mass is not meant to be a 'separate congregation' from the Parish Mass but in addition to it. It's an ideal way of being able to get to the Eucharist, especially if you are going out for the day on any Sunday!

I'm not trying to 'drum up' a congregation for this service, but just to remind you that it is there! Rather than missing the Eucharist on a Sunday if you have other commitments on any particular Sunday, especially during the summer – why not come at 6.00 p.m. on Saturday evening?

*Congratulations to On and Andrew as they dedicate their marriage to God and seek His blessing on them during the Parish Mass this morning. Do join them for 'Drinks & Nibbles' in the Hall after Mass.*

**Happy Birthday to Philip Parkhurst (Wednesday) and On Furber (Saturday)**

**PRAYER & CARE**

For our church that we may truly be Building a community of God's people in the power of the Holy Spirit.

For On and Andrew as they seek God's blessing on their marriage.

For all members of our Parish Family away on holiday.

Please pray for the **SICK**

**Grace Atkins** (aged 8) with Leukaemia

**Ian Dennison:** Slowly recovering from the effects of his radiotherapy

**Brenda Hinton:** Recovering after a hip operation

**Peter Robinson** soon to have more surgery on his foot

**Marty Coakley** in hospital with blood poisoning

**June Monk** with heart problems (now recovering at home)

**Terry Monk** having treatment for cancer (about to start chemotherapy)

**Ted** – after a knee operation

**Yvonne Stewart** recovering from reconstructive surgery following breast cancer and mastectomy

**Jack Fernee** now home from hospital but still poorly.

**Valerie Winter** - post knee operation

**Mrs Dixon** – with liver and eye cancer

Recently departed: The victims of the conflict in the Middle East and the Malaysian plane crash.

And in great love we commemorate the souls of...

Minnie Woodford (Sunday)

Arthur Thompson, Frederick Christenson, Betty Robinson (Wednesday)

Eleanor Gaston (Thursday)

*This Pew Sheet and the Flowers in church are sponsored by On and Andrew Furber to celebrate the Blessing of their Marriage.*

# *The week ahead at St. Edward the Confessor*

During the summer most of our activities cease,  
except of course that great Christian activity of  
**WORSHIP**

Do please join us for Mass during this week.

**MONDAY:**            *Father Denis has Mondays as his 'day-off'*

**TUESDAY:**        *Saint Martha*  
**MASS at 10.30 a.m.**  
with the Ministry of Prayer for Healing  
and Wholeness.

**WEDNESDAY:**    Home Group meets at 83 West Street  
at 7.30 p.m.

**THURSDAY:**     *Saint Ignatius of Loyola*  
**MASS at 10.30 a.m.**

**FRIDAY:**         *Saint Alphonsus*  
**MASS at 7.30 p.m.**

**SATURDAY:**     **VIGIL MASS of SUNDAY at 6.00 p.m.**

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

***The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***  
(Vigil Mass at 6.00 p.m. Saturday evening)

**PARISH MASS at 10.00 a.m.**  
*No Kidz Zone during August*

**PRAYER & PRAISE at 6.00 p.m.**

Our monthly informal celebration of praise and worship  
with the Ministry of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness  
and ending with Benediction