

The Parish Church of  
**Saint Edward the Confessor,**  
**Burgess Hill**

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

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**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

***The Nineteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time***

**6.00 p.m.** (Saturday evening)

**Vigil Mass**

**10.00 a.m. PARISH MASS**

In our Gospel reading we hear about a woman who had great faith and refused to give up. The Bible doesn't tell us her name, it simply calls her "a Canaanite woman." The Canaanite woman met Jesus one day as he was traveling in the region of Tyre and Sidon. She came toward him crying out, "Have mercy on me, for my daughter is

possessed by an evil spirit." Jesus didn't reply to the woman and his disciples came to him complaining that she was bothering them and asked him to tell her to leave. Jesus said to the woman, "I was sent only to help God's lost sheep—the people of Israel." But she came and worshiped him, pleading again, "Lord, help me!" Jesus replied, "It isn't right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs." The woman answered, "That's true, Lord, but even dogs are allowed to eat the scraps that fall beneath their masters' table." "Dear woman," Jesus said to her, "your faith is great. Your request is granted." At that very moment, her daughter was healed.

What if she had given up?

What if her faith had not been so strong?

The end of this story would be quite different. Let us follow the example set by the Canaanite woman. Let's "Keep the Faith" and "Never Give Up!"

# WELCOME TO EVERYONE

*Coffee and Tea is served in the Church Hall  
after the Parish Mass*

*Do please stay if you can  
and share in this short time of fellowship together*

**Thank you** to everyone who helped to make our celebration of Our Lady's Assumption last Friday such a wonderful occasion. A Special thank you to Audrey for the 'Drinks & Nibbles' after Mass.

**Walsingham:** Tomorrow a number of us are going on pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, for the Anglo Catholic Charismatic Celebration. Please pray for us, and please be assured that St. Edward's will be very much in our prayers while we are there.

Because Father Denis will be away at Walsingham, there will *NOT* be a Mass here at St. Edward's on Tuesday or Thursday this week. The Friday Mass will take place as usual. (Back to 'normal' next week!)

**Teddy Tots** – our carer and toddlers group will meet on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August** from 10.00 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. in the Church Hall. This will be followed by a **picnic lunch** from 11.30 a.m.

***ALL are welcome!***

**Just a reminder** – that we have a '**Vigil Mass**' of Sunday on **Saturday evenings** at **6.00 p.m.** – so no need to miss a Sunday Mass if you are out for the day on any Sunday!!!

**And another reminder:** There is a box in the hall for donations of food and other items (list on the box) which Family Support Work use to support their many clients in need. If you already donate to a food bank or similar, thank you very much, if not, would you please consider supporting this ongoing collection. Pat & Doug Myers.

**Social event:** In the autumn we are planning an 'Auction of Talents' (i.e. you offer to bake cakes, or do the Ironing, or the gardening, etc etc and the rest of us bid for that talent – the highest bidder wins! Please start thinking about what you could offer!

**Happy Birthday to John Silverlock** (Monday)

**Caroline and Kevin Yetman** (Thursday)

**Peter Robinson** is now home from hospital, but is still rather poorly. Please pray for him and all those who are caring for him.

**John Moore** is still in hospital, and although John is rather frustrated at still being there he is hoping to be home during next week. We continue to keep John in our prayers.

Many of our Parish Family are away on holiday at the moment. We wish them safe journey's, a refreshing time away from their usual routines and look forward to their return home soon.

### **PRAYER & CARE**

Pray for all members of our Parish Family away on holiday  
For our Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham this week  
For On and Nadine preparing for Confirmation

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** now home from hospital

**John Moore** – awaiting results of tests

**Marty Coakley** in hospital with blood poisoning

**Terry Monk** having treatment for cancer now undergoing chemotherapy)

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

**Valerie Winter** - post knee operation

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

**Trish Williams** battling cancer of the pituitary

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...

Robert Harvey (Sunday) George Breeze (Monday)

Percy Silverlock (Tuesday)

Jack Martin-Cross, Constance Moore (Wednesday)

Horace Bainbridge, Aileen Yates-Smith (Thursday)

Frederick de Vriese, Marion Parkhurst (Friday)

Bill Meadows (Saturday)

## *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**

*Because Father Denis  
along with several others are at  
Walsingham this week  
the Tuesday and Thursday  
Mass is cancelled*

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

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

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

*The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**First Mass of Sunday**  
**6.00 p.m. (Saturday evening)**

**PARISH MASS** at 10.00 a.m.