

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 10th APRIL 2016
The Third Sunday of Easter
10.00 a.m.
PARISH MASS
with Kidz Zone



In our Gospel reading today, we have the third time that Jesus appeared to His disciples after His resurrection. This time it was to have breakfast on the beach!

The disciples had been fishing all night and caught nothing, until they see Jesus who tells them to fish in a different way.

They caught so many fish that they couldn't even pull the net into the boat!

"Bring some of the fish you've just caught,"

Jesus said. Peter dragged the net to the shore and there were 153 large fish. "Now,

come and have some breakfast," Jesus said.

Then Jesus served them fish and bread.

It just doesn't get any better than that.

Breakfast on the beach with the risen Lord!

What would have happened if the disciples had refused to throw their nets on the right-hand side of the boat? They would have missed out on a wonderful breakfast on the beach with Jesus. What happens when you and I refuse to do the things Jesus has called us to do? We miss out on the wonderful blessings that he wants for us!

Fresh Coffee is on sale in **the Mustard Seed Café** after the Parish Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us for this short time of fellowship together.



TH MUSTARD SEED CAFÉ
will be open this week on

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Please give the Café your support.

Home Groups resume this week:

Monday evening at 34 Withy Bush at 7.30 p.m.

'The Lord's Prayer'

Wednesday afternoon at 5, Sevenfields at 1.30 p.m.

'The Beatitudes'

Wednesday evening at 11, Fry Crescent at 7.30 p.m.

'The Bible'

Thursday evening (especially for MEN)

at 7 Bramble Gardens at 7.30 p.m.

'Church and Kingdom'

If you have not joined a Home Group yet, this week is the perfect time to do so. Want more information? Have a word with Christine Pritchard or Father Denis.

PENTECOST 2016 – the feast of Pentecost this year is on **Sunday 15th May**. As agreed at a PCC meeting last year, instead of two services (Parish Mass at 10.00 a.m. and Pentecost Praise at 6.00 p.m.) we will have ONE Mass – **PENTECOST PRAISE** at **6.00 p.m.** in the hope that all of us can come together in the evening and be joined by many others from local churches. This will be a 'Praise Eucharist' in our usual 'style' but perhaps a bit more 'up-beat'!!! Please book this date now!

The **Churchyard Gardening Team** meet on Monday morning. They would really appreciate some more help with this!

Ascension Day disaster!!! Unfortunately the church will be used as a Polling Station on Thursday 5th May for the election of a Police and Crime Commissioner for the Sussex Police area! We will, therefore keep the feast of the Ascension of the Lord on the following Sunday – 8th May!

The Mustard Seed **Vision Group** meet this **Tuesday** at 7.30 p.m. in the Café.

The **Parochial Church Council** meet this **Friday** – beginning with Mass at 7.30 p.m.

Happy Birthday to **Doug Myers** on Saturday!

Plant Sale - Saturday 7th May: We will need donations of flowers, shrubs, vegetables, hanging baskets etc.. Please start thinking about what you could plant/grow for us to make the plant sale a success. If and when you want to bring the plants etc you can put them in 'On's Garden' and we will make sure they get watered.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for **THE MUSTARD SEED** Community Café Project, that we would serve God in and through each other.

Please pray for those who are sick:

For those who are sick Within our congregation, we would especially pray for... **Peter Robinson, Frances Roberts, Kathy Sadler, Anne Chitty.**

Marge Breeze - chemotherapy for recurring oesophageal cancer

Bruce Smetham - being treated for recurring cancer

Adrian in Princes Royal Hospital

Liz and Jane – both with cancer

Jim Winter - recovering from stroke, leaking aneurism

Roy –war injury and ME

Richard Brown (priest) with a leaking heart valve

Graham Bailey – terminally ill.

Anniversary of death: Richard Cuthbertson (Monday)

Sidney Robinson, Mary Heard (Tuesday) Frances Cooper, Martin

Keary, Frank Reeves (Wednesday) Carl Long (Friday)

Edith Blewitt (Saturday)

The week ahead at St. Edward the Confessor

- MONDAY:** *Fr Denis has Monday as his 'rest day'*
The Churchyard Gardeners meet this morning.
- Home Group** at 34 Withy Bush at 7.30 p.m.
- TUESDAY:** **MASS at 10.30 a.m.**
Followed by coffee in the Café
- The Mustard Seed Vision Group meet in the Café at 7.30 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY:** **Home Group** at 5 Sevenfields at 1.30 p.m.
- Home Group** at 11 Fry Crescent at 7.30 p.m.
- THURSDAY:** **The Mustard Seed Café**
open 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
- MASS at 10.30 a.m.**
Followed by coffee in the Café
- Home Group** at 7 Bramble Gardens at 7.30 p.m.
- FRIDAY:** **The Mustard Seed Café**
open 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
- MASS at 7.30 p.m.** followed by PCC Meeting.
- SATURDAY:** **The Mustard Seed Café**
open 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
- NEXT SUNDAY:** *The Fourth Sunday of Easter*
PARISH MASS at 10.00 a.m.
With Kidz Zone