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Welcome to A&B eNews in Brief

Welcome to this edition of the A&B eNewsletter.

First of all a reminder to parishes that you need to return your registration form for the Rite of Election to Ruth Gerun at DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP at your earliest convenience – even if you have no-one attending she still requires the signed form. To contact Ruth Gerun email ruth.gerun@dabnet.org.

I would like to draw your attention to a useful resource for supporting and encouraging Marriage in your parish. On the [Diocesan website](#) from 20 November you will find a collection of 60 word snippets, adapted from the Sunday Mass Scripture Reading reflections found in the book I AM WITH YOU Year C. These can be placed in a Newsletter, Bulletin, Website or Blog. Simply 'cut and paste' and apply the relevant week's reflection to the medium you're using.

The work for refugees continues and information is continuing to be drawn together and the necessary plans put in place. A letter has been sent to everybody who offered any form of help. Any monies should be sent to Aidan Cantwell, Social Action/Justice & Peace Adviser payable to DABCEC and sent to DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. You can contact Aidan on 01293 651154 or email aidan.cantwell@dabnet.org for more information.

The Friends of the Holy Land have provided the following paragraph for insertion in Newsletters by those parishes supporting them this Christmas:

'Crib Donations: This year, with the encouragement of Bishop Richard, this parish will be sending crib donations to Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health or housing costs and initiatives. FHL is non-political and ecumenical. For further information, please take away the leaflet by the crib and keep our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in your prayers at this time.'

Finally, I would ask you not only to pray for the people killed in France, but all who have recently died in all parts of the world from violence and conflict. In our own diocese we are mourning not only the death of two of our priests, Fr Martin Breen and Fr Robin Mountford, but also the organist Philip Stephen's from Rottingdean (funeral 10am 27 November in Our Lady's, Rottingdean) and 4 members of the Garvey Family from Woking parish who died in a plane crash at the weekend in Somerset. You can find more information on the [Diocesan Website](#) about the two priests and their funeral arrangements.

As ever I am grateful for comments, feedback or suggestions.

Mark Woods - A&B Diocesan Communications Officer

eNews in Brief Information

Diocesan Information

- Advent Reflections now available
- Safeguarding Training - Various Dates & Locations
- Mass for Deaf, Horsham 5 December
- Mercy - A&B Youth Festival 27 February, Redhill
- Internship available at DABCEC, Crawley
- New DVD and YouTube Video on the Priesthood

Diocesan Advent Reflection Programme now available: Booklets for Advent 2015 can be ordered from the DABCEC bookshop either by Tel (01293) 651165 or Email bookshop@dabnet.org. The material is now available online to download at www.abdiocese.org.uk.

Safeguarding Basic Awareness Training: Basic Safeguarding Training is now available in various locations and dates in the months ahead for clergy, Safeguarding reps and parish volunteers. More dates will be available in the New Year. For dates and more information see the [website](#).

Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing: The next monthly Mass will be held on Saturday December 5th at 1pm (New Time) in St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Confession beforehand from 11.30am. Diocesan Coordinators and Communicators for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People: Mr Peter Booker and Mrs Maria Booker, c/o DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 6RP. Email: casamariapita@aol.com. Mobile: 07970428601 (sms [text] only) Tel: Mr Jim Mortell on 01273 552159.

Mercy A&B Youth Festival: Saturday February 27th 2016, 6.30 to 10.30pm, St Joseph's Church, Redhill RH11LF. Open to anyone aged 11-18 and their leaders/ teachers. Live Music; Praise & Worship; Talks and Interviews; Workshops; Stalls and Interactive Activities; Prayer; The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Entry is free and there's no need to book. Get in touch with [Jack Regan](#) if you have any questions. Draft programme [on the website](#).

Internship with the Pastoral Team at Dabcec: An internship for a maximum period of one year working with the advisers on different initiatives and will include a range of duties and administrative work.

This opportunity is for those with an interest in pastoral work within the Church or who wish to develop and evidence work-place skills and who may be waiting for places at university or longer-term work opportunities.

This internship scheme builds on two recent successful experiences and is designed both to assist the Pastoral Team in its work but also to ensure that participants receive a valuable and rewarding experience, with benefits for their personal and professional development.

For further details of terms, conditions and remuneration, please contact Deacon Andrew Bayes, Pastoral Team Coordinator at Dabcec or via email: andrew.bayes@dabnet.org

Gaudium - The Joy of the Priesthood: View the latest YouTube video on the joyful vocation of the Priest produced by the A&B Diocesan Vocations Director. Hear priests of the diocese speak of the real joy they find in the priesthood. [Check out the link](#) and share with others. If you would like a copy of the DVD then contact Vocations Director, Fr Terry Martin on vocations@dabnet.org.

St Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre Information Programme for 2015

See full details of the programme for the year on their [website](#).

Residential Retreats coming up are:

Thursday 24th - Sunday 27th December - St Cuthman's Christmas

Monday 25th January - Monday 1st February 2016 - Individually Guided Retreat in partnership with St Beuno's Retreat Centre

Friday 26th February – Sunday 28th February 2016 - Healing and Forgiveness. Led by Dr Stephanie Thornton C.Psychol, AFBPsS

Days of Prayer coming up are:

Wednesday 9th December led by Fr David King.

For more information on all these and other events visit www.dabnet.org. To book: tel: 01403 741220; or email: stcuthmans@dabnet.org

Catholic School Headteacher & Chaplaincy Vacancies

See the Schools pages of the [Diocesan Website](#) for all School Vacancies including a recent vacancy for a Schools Chaplain at [St Teresa's, Effingham](#).

eNews in Brief Local Events

- **Crawley Inter Faith Network** - AGM at Saint Bernadette's Church Tilgate Way, Crawley RH10 5BS. **Friday 20 November** 7-9p.m. Katharina Smith-Muller, Interreligious Adviser to the R.C Bishop's Conference of England and Wales will offer a presentation : 'A Guide to Inter Faith - Building bridges, the practice and spirituality of Inter Faith Dialogue.'
- Annual **CAFOD Mass of Remeberance** on Saturday November 21,10am at St Mary Magdalene Church, Sea Rd, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1RH. See [website](#) for more information.
- Piano and Organ Recital in aid of [Iraqi Christians in Need](#) on Saturday 21 November 4pm at **St Joseph's, Guildford** (GU1 4AZ) which is providing direct financial relief to refugees in camps in northern Iraq.
- Gary Stephens will speak on '**A wise man built his house on rock**' on Saturday **21st November** from 10.20 a.m. to 4.20 pm at St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford GU4 8QR. Includes Holy Mass, Word of God, Adoration, Rosary of the Divine Mercy and Healing Service and Guided Adoration with St Hilda's Prayer Group, Manchester. Families welcome with a children's programme for ages 5 to 13. Please bring a packed lunch. For information email Fr Thomas Kolangaden, OSB tdkpd55@hotmail.co.uk or Fr John Seddon, OSB jas4430@aol.com.
- **Young Adults Advent Retreat - 27-29 November:** At Worth Abbey with talks from the Monks and The Wellspring Community. For more information or to book email TOC@worthabbey.net or call 01342 710318.
- **Year of Mercy Icon Retreat - 17-23 January 2016:** Writing an Icon of Christ with prayer and meditation on the Mercy of the Father through the Face of Christ with the **Poor Clare Community**, Crossbush, Arundel. Hands on tuition. No artistic skill needed. Mass with the community. To book contact Sr Maria Hii on 01903 882536 or email poorclarescrossbusharundel@hotmail.co.uk.
- **Bible Convention - 20 December:** From 12 noon-5pm and led by Sehion Ministries with Fr Xaviour Khan Vattayil and Fr Soji Mathew Olikkal at St Mary's

Prayer Hall, South of England Event Centre, Ardingly, Haywards Heath RH17 6TL. Mass with Bishop Richard Moth plus Praise and Worship, and a Healing Service. Free admission. Bring your own lunch. Transport available from Crawley, East Grinstead, Bexhill, Eastbourne and Uckfield. For more information contact Mr Bijoy Alapatt tel: 07960000217 or email: thunderofgod@yahoo.co.uk

- **Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi - October 2016** - Are you interested in a this pilgrimage led by Fr David Osborne of Cranleigh and Bramley Parish from 25th to 31st October next year. If you would like to come or want more information please contact Bridget Eacott (tel 01483 892406) by early December and she will send you a brochure.
- **Our Lady of Lourdes School, Rottingdean** is looking to secure a grant for their self-funded and much needed **playground renovation**. They would like to invite people to vote (for free) to help secure a community grant of £25,000 from the One Family Foundation. To vote go to their [website](#). Every vote counts.
- **Canon Gerry Coates** who has recently moved to Holy Cross has two Chasuble-Albs which he no longer needs. They are cream and size 60 inch. He asks that you give a donation to the Lourdes Fund if you want one. If you are interested then email [Mark Woods](#).

eNews in Brief National Events - Quick Links

- **'Laudato Si': Blueprint for the 21st Century'** on **Saturday 21 November 2015** 10.30 - 4.00 at CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. Sr Caroljean Willie, American Sister of Charity, Program Director, EarthConnections Environmental Centre, Cincinnati. For more information contact Ann by [email](#) or tel: 020 7901 4864. Please let them know if you plan to attend.
- **National Youth Sunday 22 November** - For information and materials see the national [website](#) or contact our Youth Adviser [Jack Regan](#).
- **Ongoing formation day** for priests and deacons on the **Homiletic Directory** with Fr John O'Farrell O.P. on Friday, **27 November** 11:30am to 3.30pm at Mount Street Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount St, London W1K 3AH. Recommended donation of £10 for this day (please bring a packed lunch). To book please e-mail [Fr Dominic](#)

[Robinson S.J.](#)

- **Peoples Climate March with CAFOD and other Climate Campaigners - 29 November London.** For more information and to book visit the [CAFOD website](#).
- **CAFOD Pope Paul VI Memorial Lecture - Cardinal Peter Turkson** will deliver CAFOD's annual Pope Paul VI Lecture on 4th December at St Mary's Church, Wyndham Place, London, W1H 1PQ on: "**Care for Creation: how to protect and sustain our common home**". You can register for the event [here](#).
- **Theology of the Body Symposium 13th - 17th January 2016** for young adults aged 18 - 35 at St Patrick's, Soho, London with Christopher West and Rober McNamara. Cost: £100 non-residential. £140 for residential option. All meals and materials are included in the cost. Places are limited! To find out more or to register, please visit: www.stpatricksoho.org/clcl or call 02074372010.
- **Peace Sunday 17 January** - Theme from Pope Francis is 'Overcome indifference and win Peace'. Materials available from [Pax Christi](#).
- **Holocaust Memorial Day** on 27 January 2016 - Resources for Parishes are available to download and use from the [Holocaust Memorial Day website](#).
- **National Conference for Rural Catholics, 15-17 February 2016:** Old Lodge Hotel in Malton, North Yorkshire. The 2016 programme will have a strong equine flavour, reflecting the local industry. Cost is the same as in 2015: - £235 (double - ask). Deposit to accompany booking: £100. Contact Fr Robert Miller, Trellis House, Station Road, Tisbury, Wilts SP3 6JR by [email](#) or [tel:01747 870228](tel:01747870228). CBCEW National Rural Officer.

eNews in Brief National Appeals and Programmes - Quick Links

- **Proclaim 15'**: Evangelisation Materials are now available for parishes and individuals. For more information visit the [Bishops' Conference website](#).
- **Action by Christians Against Torture Christmas Card List 2015-** At Christmas we can all take the opportunity to let them know that they are not forgotten. A card can mean so much to them. Remember to follow the guidelines when sending cards. Download the list [here](#).

- **New Director** of the **Jesuit Refugee Service** in UK wanted. For more information on the role and application forms email [JRS Director Applications](#).
 - **Readings in different languages** - Handy downloadable (pdf) Sunday readings in about a dozen European languages, for those who have different language groups in their parish. Download [here](#).
 - **MA in Catechesis** at The School of the Annunciation: If you have a passion for Evangelisation and Catechesis, are helping in a parish or are involved in Catholic youth ministry then this is for you. Based at Buckfast Abbey. For details of this course please go to www.schooloftheannunciation.com and look under Courses.
 - Template to make use of your **old Tax Disk Holder** for Emergency contact details. See this [website](#).
 - **Papal Blessings** for weddings, anniversaries etc - As from January 2015 only available online from the Vatican @ www.elemosineria.va
 - **Sarum College** Courses and Events in Coming Months. [See their website](#).
 - **Ammerdown Retreat Centre** - Various events and retreats including an Advent Retreat with Fr Daniel O'Leary. [See their website](#).
 - Online version of **Catechism of the Catholic Church** now available via the [American Bishops' Website](#).
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Serving the Communities of our Diocese
REFUGEE CRISIS - Ways You Can Help



Full Name	
Parish / Mass Centre	
Address	
Email Address	
Contact Number (s)	

Please tick boxes below - I can offer help with:

	Tick
Accommodation: Please give details here (e.g. shared house or independent)	
Skills and time- including language skills, teaching English	
Legal Assistance	
Knowledge of local community and facilities available	
Financial Support (<i>For donations to the Restricted Diocesan Fund, please make cheques payable to "DABCEC" (Diocese of Arundel & Brighton, Christian Education Centre)</i>)	

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Signed: _____ Date _____

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Please note that this data will be used by the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton. Please keep us informed of any changes to your contact details and we will update our database accordingly. When the information you have provided is no longer required, we will delete it from our database. Thank you.

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