



WELCOME TO A&B eNEWS:
DIOCESAN AND LOCAL
INFORMATION & EVENTS

Rt Rev Richard Moth, Bishop of
Arundel & Brighton

Welcome to this A&B eNewsletter on Diocesan and local events for the months ahead.

Bishop Richard is now well over half way through his visits to deaneries to introduce the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. The Pastoral Plan is available [here](#).

The Diocesan Steering Group for Refugees continues its work and has recently published a Newsletter updating parishes on what is happening. You can also read the newsletter [online](#).



**The information contained
in this email is included in**

The Diocese also looks forward to the ordination to the priesthood of Deacon Jack Lusted on Wednesday 19th December 7pm at Arundel Cathedral. Please pray for him in his future ministry in the Diocese.

Advent will soon be with us and I include late information about an Advent Resource from the Bible Society - **Journey with Jesse**. See below for more information.

Looking ahead the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from 18th to 25th January 2019. You can find more information [here](#) or contact [Catherine Martindale](#), Diocesan Adviser for Dialogue and Unity.

Finally, please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr David Goddard, parish priest of Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis, West Grinstead who died on Friday 23rd November. Funeral details will follow. Please pray for the repose of his soul and the consolation of wife and children. May he rest in peace.

With every prayer and blessing,

good faith. Please take up any queries with information from outside the diocese with those who have provided it.



St John Vianney Group: A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood.

For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email foleycon@gmail.com

Vanpoules Shop: The clerical outfitters have closed their shop in Crawley and now only deal with mail order.

Mark Woods - [Communications](#)

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Items marked in red are new additions since the last eNewsletter.

The Word Who is Life - Diocesan Pastoral Plan

Below is a list of all the remaining Deanery Meetings where Bishop Richard will unveil the Pastoral Plan to members of those Deaneries. Everybody is welcome to attend these deanery meetings.

- 4th December Epsom Deanery
- 10th December Redhill Deanery
- 11th December Crawley Deanery
- 13th December St Leonards Deanery
- 14th December Mayfield Deanery

Please look out in your parish newsletter or ask your parish priest for times and places.

Arundel Cathedral Information and Events



For further information on Arundel Cathedral and events at the Cathedral see their [website](#). Information about the Friends of Arundel Cathedral can be found on their [website](#) where you can also see how you can become a member. There will be **Friends Vespers** at the Cathedral on Sunday 9 December at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Diocesan Information

- [Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#), 1 December, Horsham
- [World Meeting of Families Festive Reunion](#), 15 December, Crawley
- [Adoremus Delegate Day](#), 19 January, Worth
- [Justice & Peace Assembly 2019](#), 26 January, Crawley
- [Youth Evenings of Reflection 2019](#), Various Venues and Dates
- [Dates for Musicians](#) in 2018 - See [website](#)
- [Closure of DABCEC Bookshop](#)

[Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#): The next monthly Mass will be held on **Saturday December 1st** at 1pm in St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. 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: mag.booker@gmail.com . Mobile: [07970428601](tel:07970428601) (sms [text] only) Tel: Mr Jim Mortell on [01273 552159](tel:01273552159).

[World Meeting of Families Festive Reunion](#): The reunion will take place on Saturday 15 December at St Philip Howard Centre (formerly DABCEC), 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 6RP. Come and reminisce about the World Meeting of families and share your experience with families who were not able to attend. Hot chocolate from 10.30am to finish at 3.30pm. All welcome even if you did not attend the event in Dublin. To book (by 10 December) and for more information contact Lizzie Wakeling - email: mfl@dabnet.org.

[Adoremus Delegate Day](#): If you were a delegate at the National Eucharistic Congress at Liverpool in September then Bishop Richard invites you to Worth Abbey on Saturday, 19th January 2019 for a Day of Reflection on the experience of Adoremus - National Eucharistic Congress. The day will begin at 10.00am and conclude at 4.00pm and will include a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. A more detailed programme will be circulated nearer the day. **Booking is essential.**
Email Liz Fitch on office.admin@parishofgoodshepherd.co.uk or tel: 01424 420815

[Justice & Peace Assembly 2019 - Slavery on Our Doorstep](#): Saturday 26 January, 10am-4pm on Human Trafficking. Bishop Richard Moth plus Mick Duthie, Santa Marta Group, Fr Mark Odion, Santa Marta Group and Richard Lancashire, Sussex Police. To book a place call Rosie on 01293 6511611 or email rosie.read@dabnet.org.

[Youth Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard 2019](#): Following on from successful meetings in 2018 Bishop Richard has agreed a series of meetings in 2019 at various venues and on various dates. The evenings have mainly been used by Confirmation groups in the past, but are open to anyone aged 11-18. We are expecting that most of those coming will be coming with leaders as part of an organised group. Any individuals wanting to come must contact Jack Regan and booking is essential for all. For more information and to book contact jack.regan@dabnet.org

[Dates for Diocesan Musicians for 2018](#): See [Diocesan Website](#) for dates of rehearsals for musicians for Rite of Election, Chrism Mass etc. All details on [website](#). For more information contact [Catherine Christmas](#).

[Closure of DABCEC Bookshop](#): The DABCEC Bookshop has ceased trading to the general public. Parishes will still be able to order some material (sacramental programmes, course materials, Bibles, Hymnals etc.) by contacting bookshop@dabnet.org. Advice about material and suppliers can also be obtained by contacting the same email address.

Advent Reflection Materials

The Diocese itself is not producing an Advent booklet this year. We can recommend “Global Healing” which is a film-based resource for parishes, groups and individuals, responding to Laudato Si and Pope Francis’ vital call to care for our common home. Further details from www.ourcommonhome.co.uk

Alternatively, from House On Rock we can suggest their 'Lift up your Hearts' programme, which has the themes of mercy and forgiveness, in preparation for the Christmas period. Go to www.houseonrock.co.uk/faith-sharing.

A final late possibility is from the Bible Society - **Journey with Jesse**. This Advent resource specifically focuses on the ancient tradition of the Jesse Tree. Please contact [Fleur Dorrell](#), the Scripture Development Co-Ordinator if you would like to order any copies.

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St Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre

News from St Cuthman's

The Diocesan Trustees announced the closure of St Cuthman's as from 30th June. The Retreat Centre is now no longer open.

If you would like details on alternative retreat venues, please click on this link <http://www.retreats.org.uk/index.php>

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Education Service

For information about, details of courses and for vacancies in our Diocesan Schools see [Diocesan Education Service website](#).

Local & Parish One - Off Events

Tales From Anderson: Thursday 29th November and Friday 30th November - evening performance -starts 7.30pm at Mayfield School, Concert Hall, Mayfield,

East Sussex. The stories being performed are: The Tinderbox, The Red Shoes, The Princess & the Pea, Emperors' New Clothes and The Flying Trunk. There is no charge for tickets but they would appreciate a charitable donation to our school charity, The Alzheimer's Society. To reserve a seat email alewis@mayfieldgirls.org

From Armistice to Advent: Godalming Choral Society are giving a concert on Saturday 1 December at St John's church in Farncombe, near Godalming. It is an evening of English music some relating to the 1918 armistice and some looking forward joyfully to Advent including John Rutter's beautiful Requiem, Elgar 'Spirit of England', a setting of poems including 'They shall grow not old....' and Hubert Parry's Magnificat in F. The soprano soloist will be Helen Groves, a distinguished singer accompanist to the Bach Choir. St John's church is warm and comfortable with good facilities. There is lots of parking nearby. The church is also only one minute's walk from Farncombe station on the main Waterloo to Portsmouth line. You can buy tickets [on-line](#) or at the door.

Stars of Mary - Cathedral Deanery: Masses for people with Learning Disabilities, their Family, Friends and Elderly who are frail and find difficulty to attend mainstream Masses. (Tea follows each Mass) **All Masses start at 3 pm except in September.**

Sunday 9 December: Our Lady of Sorrows, Bognor Regis, PO20 1LP
Information from Kathleen O'Gorman – 01243 544097.

Wintershall: The Nativity (12-16 December 2018) at Wintershall near Bramley in Surrey. A fifty volunteer cast in biblical costumes, assisted by a full complement of sheep, donkeys, horses and a sheepdog take the audience on foot from the chill open air into the atmospheric, candle-lit barn, as the story of how Jesus changed the world unfolds with songs and music and joyful carolling. Please see their website for details including opportunities to volunteer: www.wintershall-estate.com.

Carols by Candlelight: On Friday 21 December from 7pm at St Edward the Confessor, 2 Lodge Lane, Keymer followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies. Free entry but there will be a collection in aid of Chestnut Tree House (Children's Hospice Care).

Residential Retreat for Doctors: At Worth Abbey from 1-3 March 2019 led by Fr. Stephen Ortiger. OSB. On the theme: Love your neighbour as yourself. Sessions include: Who and what we are; Personal challenges we face; Drawing strength from prayer; Nurturing our healthcare vocation. There will be opportunity to join the monastic community at prayer and time for quiet contemplation with access to countryside walks. Cost £150 full board. For all queries and to book a place email jodwyer@doctors.org.uk, putting **Doctors Retreat** in subject line.

Ongoing Courses and Events

Bible Study Course: St Joan of Arc parish, Farnham, Surrey is running Jeff Cavins, Catholic, Bible Study Course called 'Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come'. The course runs for 11 sessions, and starts on Monday 11 Feb. 2019 and finishes on Mon 1 Jul. 2019. There are several weeks when there are no meetings. Eight of the meetings are on a Monday night and three of the meetings on a Friday night. **N.B.** Materials have to be ordered before Christmas and the maximum able to join the course would be about 50, so book quickly, if you really want to do this Course.

For registration & details of cost, and/or for more information, please contact Dorothy McIntosh at dorothy.mcintosh@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01420 22434.

Come and experience Christian Meditation: You are welcome to join Chilworth Christian Meditation Group, Wednesdays 7.30pm to 8.15pm in the

Assisi Room behind St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford GU4 8QR. A period of quiet meditation. No need to book. Typically, around ten or more people attend from all backgrounds aged from 30+ to 85+! We follow The World Community for Christian Meditation. More information from Sheila Longman; Email: sheilaannlongman@aol.com Tel: 01483 505814

Alton Day of Renewal is a monthly mini-retreat day open to anyone free of charge and without booking. 2018 theme is "Good News for everyone: Renewal and Mission". The programme will seek to inspire and equip us in the essential area of mission and evangelization, with noted speakers looking at both the theory and practice of bringing the good news to the world, especially the needy. The day includes Rosary, Mass, Adoration, shared lunch, praise and worship, guest speaker and healing ministry. Full details of dates, speakers and location at www.altonrenewal.com or www.abdiocese.org.uk/Courses.

Catholicism course at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth: The Benedictine monks of St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8QR warmly invite you to a presentation of 'Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith', by the acclaimed author and speaker Bishop Barron. One of the 10 episodes of the series will be shown consecutively over a period of 10 months, beginning on Saturday September 22nd, 2018.

These Study Days will be led by Fr John Seddon OSB, who will contextualise each episode and then teach about the episode's subject matter after lunch. The day begins with Mass at 9.00 am, followed by coffee, the video, Midday Prayer and lunch. After lunch there will be teaching to clarify further the film's theme. The Day concludes at 4.00 pm.

Come to part, or all of the day, as it suits you. Bring a packed lunch and a friend. Tea and coffee is provided. Free to attend. No need to book.

Visit them online at www.chilworthbenedictines.com

Worth Abbey - Open Cloister Retreats: A number of retreats are available at Worth Abbey over the coming months including an Advent Retreat 4-6

December, and many more including Teenagers' Young Adults' and Individual Retreats. If you have any questions, would like to check availability or for further information please contact the Bookings Secretary at The Open Cloister Email: toc@worth.org.uk or Tel: 01342 710318.

Days of Recollection for Secular Clergy: These take place from 11.15am-4pm at Wickenden Manor, West Sussex and are run by members of Opus Dei they are for diocesan clergy and include two meditations, time for confession & spiritual direction, a holy hour and a good three course meal. On every second Wednesday of the month. To book a place contact Fr Bernard Marsh clergyretreats@ormecourt.com. For more information see their [website](#).

Items Offered or Wanted

Ciborium sought: A newly established parish in Kenya is looking for a ciborium. If you have one that you could donate they would be very grateful. It can be in any reasonable condition but must have a well fitting lid to keep out ants etc. Please contact Fr Paul Wilkinson at catholicsussex@gmail.com

Appeals and Ongoing Information

Online survey about Transmission of the Catholic Faith in Families: The survey is part of Diocesan parishioner's PhD research at St Mary's University, Twickenham. The survey is totally anonymous and respondents are not required to provide personal data such as name, address or parish. You can find the survey at: <https://stmarys.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/receiving-and-passing-on-the-catholic-faith-a-survey-of-f>

St John's Seminary Womersley need your help: St John's Seminary which has been involved in the formation of priests for England and Wales for over 125 years is in need of help to refurbish and redecorate 30 of its bedrooms which have little or no upgrading in over 40 years. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget and has no available funds to finance this much needed work which will cost about £2000 per room.

If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to St John's Seminary to: Mgr Gerry Ewing (Vice-Rector), St John's Seminary, Womersley, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration is an international lay apostolate founded in 1986. Arundel & Brighton Diocese joined the Apostolate in 2013, forming a small committee of lay Adorers whose mission has been to assist parishes across the diocese to establish, maintain and develop **viable weekly Eucharistic Adoration of Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.**

With the parish priest's approval, and the encouragement of Bishop Richard, apostolate members attend weekend Masses and make presentations which invite parishioners to commit an hour of their time each week to spend before Jesus, praying for their own needs, the needs of the parish and also for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. To set this up in your parish contact Mr Seán Duggan, 207 Willingdon Road, Eastbourne BN20 9JP, UK. Tel. +44 (0) 1323 504417 or Email: sean.duggan@rapidmm.net

Bogus Emails and Internet Scams: If you receive any of these e.g. I am ill in country X send me money, my husband died and I want to give you money etc, then contact the police NFIBphishing@city-of-london.pnn.police.uk

Catholic Bible School - Bible Weekends: This is an opportunity for parishes to have a scripture-focused time of enrichment that includes: faith formation through talks and workshops, retreat experiences through services and times of prayer and a short mission like experience for parishioners to be evangelised and become intentional disciples. For more information visit their [website](#).

Catholic Bible School: Various events and Scripture days in Nutbourne,

Chichester and Eastbourne. This includes weekly Thursday Scripture Study as well as Saturday talks. To make use of this great resource within the Diocese and for more information visit their [website](#).

Helping people to budget: Local CAP Money courses are run throughout the year and are a means for people to learn budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that works. Helping people to budget, save and prevent debt. Find out about a course in your area and other CAP services [here](#)

Equipés Notre-Dame (Teams): This is an international Catholic lay movement which offers married couples a framework for living out the Sacrament of Marriage. A 'Team' is a group of 4 to 6 married couples who meet monthly with, where possible, a spiritual advisor. Bernard and Susan Kelly are the Southern Regional Couple for this movement and they can be contacted by email on southern@teams.gb.org.uk

Mary's Dowry Productions - this Sussex based company produces DVDs on the lives of Saints, many of them British saints and martyrs. For more information and to buy their DVDs go to their **new** [website](#).

