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The Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust is a Registered Charity

✠ 2nd Sunday of Advent Year B – 4th December 2011

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm Parishioners
8.00am Holy souls (Wall Box)
10.00am

All are welcome to **COFFEE IN THE HALL** after 10am Mass every Sunday.

ALSO THIS SUNDAY

5.00pm Evening Prayer and Benediction

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 9.00am Mass & 11.30am – Noon

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Psalter Week 2

Morning Prayer:

Monday to Sunday 7am.

Evening Prayer:

Sunday 5pm with Benediction
Monday to Friday 6pm.
Saturday 5pm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS

Parish Collection: £384.20

TODAY: Second Sunday of Advent Year B

Next Week: Third Sunday of Advent Year B

Notes for readers available from the porch or

www.norbertines.co.uk/notesforreaders.htm

Latest : New Parish Directories now available in the porch £1.00, and Parish diaries at the abck of the church for a donation.

MONDAY 5, Weekday of Advent

Mass at 9.00am Holy souls (Wall Box)
(Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26)

2.30pm MOTHERS PRAYERS: A quiet time of prayer to ask the Lord's help for the needs of our children and grandchildren. You are welcome to join us - call 745669. See <http://mothersprayers.mpweb.co.uk/> for more info on this worldwide movement.

TUESDAY 6, Weekday of Advent

Mass at 9.00am Philip & Billy Yip RIP
(Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14)

10am Inter-church prayers in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

2.45pm PARISH PRAYER GROUP meets in the Blessed Sacrament chapel. All are welcome. See the poster in the porch for more details.

WEDNESDAY 7, Mem: St Ambrose, bishop and Doctor of the Church

Mass at 9.00am
(Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30)

8pm MUSIC PRACTICE at Lady Place, Monastery Lane. All welcome.

THURSDAY 8, Solemnity: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

No 10.00a.m. Mass
(Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38)
11.00a.m. Requiem Mass for Peter Lunn RIP

2.30pm SUNDAY READINGS DISCUSSION GROUP, parish room. All welcome

FRIDAY 9, Weekday of Advent

Mass at 9.00am
(Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19)

SATURDAY 10, Weekday of Advent

Mass at 9.00am
(Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13)
CONFESSIONS After the 9.00am Mass & 11.30am

NEXT SUNDAY 11, Third Sunday of Advent

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

with visiting priests

Frs. Peter Johnstone and Paul Turner.

Thursday 15th December

7.30 pm.

PRIORY CHRISTMAS DRAW to be held TODAY.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2012 Preparations will start in January 2012 for receiving First Holy Communion. Please contact Fr Martin or call 01903 741731 if you have any queries or questions regarding this, or if you would like your child or family member (year 3's and above) to join the Programme!

CONFIRMATION 2012 calling all year 10's (and above) if you are interested in taking part in the confirmation preparation programme please give your name to Fr. Maartin or call 01798 813639. An introduction to the course will take place in early December!

CAFOD CHRISTMAS CONCERT - 7.30pm on Wednesday, 14 December - We have the same lovely choir as last year - The Chanctonbury Chorus - and we are keeping the ticket price the same as for the last three years - £7 including mulled wine and mince pies in the candlelit cloisters. This is our main parish fundraiser for CAFOD and the money is needed as urgently as ever to support the fantastic work they do in so many countries. Tickets on sale at all Masses or call (01903) 745691.

MINCE PIES - if you can make a few mince pies to help us raise the festive spirits of choir and audience, there is a sign up sheet in the church porch and we would be very grateful. Thank you.

ADVENT Any items for the Worthing Churches Homelessness project will be gratefully received and passed on to them. We might have a "shopping list" by next week.

CHRISTMAS CARD FOR CAFOD Many of us send Christmas cards to other parishioners. To raise money for Cafod, why not send just one Christmas card to all your friends in the parish which can then be displayed at the back of the church for all your friends to see? You can then make a donation to Cafod which reflects the money you have saved on cards and postage. If you donate just 20p per card you will be helping to improve the lives of those living in poverty - a wonderful gift at Christmas time. A post box for your cards will be at the back of the church from **Saturday 10th December**. If you can gift-aid your donation, please use the envelopes provided and place them in the offertory collection. Other donations can be placed in the labelled Cafod wall box at the back of the church. Please support us in raising funds for this worthy cause.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS It has sometimes (not last year) been the custom to ask parishioners to sponsor a poinsettia in memory of a loved one to decorate the church at Christmas. We will not be having an array of poinsettias this year - a few ordinary ones, and a few large ones. What is suggested this year is that we invite parishioners to donate a £5 sponsorship of the "Christmas Flower Arrangements", with names to be displayed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. There will be the usual second collection for Christmas flowers on the third or fourth Sunday of Advent.

ST. PHILIP HOWARD CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL invites Senior Citizens in the area to join students and staff in a "Carols by Candlelight" performance on Thursday 8th December 2.30 - 4.30p.m. There will be singing and readings in the school hall, and mince pies and mulled wine, tea and coffee will be served throughout the afternoon. Please contact Mrs Clare Long, Chaplain, at the school to reserve seats (tel. No. 01243 558216)

friendsfirst The Bible advises us never to give up hope. That's hard to do sometimes if you've been searching for a soul mate for a long time or your fear of rejections prevents you from branching out. But if you change your attitude and realise that getting a NO is just a normal part of life, then you can start counting Nos as part of your route to success. **friendsfirst** helps people just like you to find soul mates providing hope and encouragement along the way. Call them on 0121 427 1286 for a confidential chat or look at their website www.friends1st.co.uk They are also on [facebook.com/friends1st](https://www.facebook.com/friends1st).

WINE! I don't know if I'm speaking too soon, but we should have some of our 2009 vintage sparkling wine available by Christmas. It would be recommended that it be kept some months beyond Christmas before drinking, even better if you were to keep it a year or two still. £20 per bottle. See Fr. Martin.

(In case you think this is a bit steep, at the first tasting back at the end of April the Master of Wine who made the selection for the royal wedding was there and he immediately said £25.00 per bottle - we considered that a bit greedy considering it's our first harvest, so we're making a 20% reduction!)

ZSAMBEK CHRISTMAS CARDS & TAGS on sale from until 17th December, Christmas crowns too!

DO YOU HAVE 1 HOUR a WEEK TO SPARE? St. Philip's Catholic Primary School in Arundel is looking for Reading Buddies. During your hour at the school you will listen to individual children read. It is impossible to overemphasise the importance of reading practice in developing childrens' literacy skills. Training will be provided and a CRB check will be required. If you are able to help, please contact the school on 01903 882115 or office@st-philips.w-sussex.sch.uk

NB To comply with the law and Diocesan guidelines regarding data protection and the publication of electronic newsletters all parishioners contact details have been removed. Please either consult your Parish Directory or see Fr Martin for these telephone numbers and/or email addresses. However, non parish-specific (for example Diocesan) contact details will continue to be included.