

Catholic Parish of Seaford, Newhaven and Peacehaven

Forth Sunday of Easter | Year B | 21st April 2024

WELCOME

Welcome to our parish on this 4th Sunday of Easter – Good Shepherd Sunday. Alleluia! If you are new to the parish or a visitor, please do introduce yourself to Deacon Stephen or a team member who would be delighted to meet you. You are warmly invited to join us as we journey together to "forge a community of saints".

PRAYER |

The Regina Caeli replaces the Angelus throughout Eastertide. We pray it each week at 6pm before Holy Mass on Saturday evening.

O Queen of Heaven

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
- *R.* For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.
- V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
- R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
- R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

Stations of the Resurrection are an important devotion in the life of the parish and are reflected upon and prayed together throughout Eastertide each Friday evening at 7pm at St Thomas More Church. Please do come and join us as we reflect on the risen life of Jesus. Come and see.

FORMATION |

We have 5 families and 7 children starting their preparation for Baptism over the coming weeks. The fruits of Mission Hope. Please pray for them all: Ellie, Alice, Benjamin, Theo, Marcus, Dathan and a newborn due in May.

MISSION |

Project Galilee (@Galilee) continues to evolve as we work with the professional team drafting the feasibility study. Based at the St Pancras school site, we pray and hope that @Galilee will be a place of encounter with Our Lord through Prayer, Formation and Mission.

Come and see... we will meet you @Galilee soon!

For more information about @Galilee and the implementation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, please join us at the next **Navigating the Future** session on Saturday 11th May, 10am in Peacehaven Church Hall.

STEWARDSHIP

Church closure | St Thomas More church will be closed on the 22nd & 23rd April for minor decorating works.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Children's Liturgy | 21st April Peacehaven. 28th April – Seaford.
- Picnic and walk, Cuckmere Haven | Sunday 28th April. Everyone welcome – do come and join us at Cuckmere Haven for a walk down to the beach and a bring-your-own picnic. We will meet at the Seven Sisters Country Park Visitor Centre at 1pm.
- Navigating the Future | next meeting is on May 11th at 10am in Peacehaven.
- Family of Faith | Our next session is on 11th May.
- International Lunch | 19th May, Peacehaven come and join us as we celebrate Pentecost and the confirmation of two young people in our parish. Please bring a dish or two to share and invite a friend!
- Corpus Christi Arundel | 30th May. Come and see the carpet of flowers at 4pm in Arundel and stay for Mass, procession, and Benediction at 5.30pm. Please sign up at the back of church if you are interested.
- Quiz, Fish & Chips | Sat 8th June 7pm, in Peacehaven.

Mass Attendance: 318 (Combined) Offertory: S £378.04 & P £221.19 2nd Collection This Week: Education of Future Priests

 Pastor of the Parish | Deacon Stephen Sharpe | stephen.sharpe@abdiocese.org.uk | 07545264492

 PA | Lyndsey Gravenor | lyndsey.gravenor@abdiocese.org.uk | 01273 583046 | 07483201055

 Safeguarding Representatives | Julie O'Sullivan | 07735955821 | Carol Gillespie | 07544066454

 Facebook | @catholicfaith.one
 Instagram | catholic_faith.one



HOLY MASS | PROPERS FOR TODAY

First reading | Acts 4:8-12 ·

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you. My God, I praise you. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

Second reading | 1 John 3:1-2 ·

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation | Jn10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

Gospel | John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

Holy Mass | The Sacrament of Confession is available 30 minutes before Holy Mass

- Sat (Vigil) 20th April | 6pm |4th Sunday of Easter | Anna Plumbo 90th Birthday Int | Seaford
- Sun 21st April| 11am| 4th Sunday of Easter | People the Parish | Peacehaven
- Weds 24th April | 10am | Terry Barlow RIP | Peacehaven.
- Thurs 25th April |10 am |People of the Parish| Seaford
- Sat (Vigil) 27th April | 6pm | 5th Sunday of Easter | Derek Willson RIP | Peacehaven
- Sun 28th April | 11am | 5th Sunday of Easter | Tom Hagger RIP | Seaford
- Morning Prayer: Seaford: Mon Fri 8.30am | Sat & Sun 9am | Peacehaven: Tues 9am
- Evening Prayer: Seaford: Mon Fri 6:30pm | Peacehaven Tue & Wed 6pm
- Adoration: Seaford, Tues (Vocations) & Fri 10am (Diocesan Pastoral Plan) | Peacehaven Mon (Vocations) & Thur (Diocesan Pastoral Plan) 6pm & Fri 10am
- Rosary: Seaford, Tue Fri 6pm, Sat 9:15am, Thur 9:30am | Peacehaven, Wed 9.30am Fri, 9.30am
- Stations of the Resurrection Friday 7pm
- Benediction: Sunday 6pm | Seaford

Mass Intentions envelopes are in the church porch – min 12 weeks' notice needed.