#### **Feast Days in the Parish**

We have three of our four Patronal Feast Days in late September and early October. Please come and pray to our Patronal Saints.

- 29<sup>th</sup> September The Archangels including St Michael.
- 1st October St Teresa of Lisieux.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> October The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex including our own Thomas Pilcher.

#### Saints of the Week

#### St Teresa of Lisieux, Virgin – 1st October

Born in 1873, she entered Carmel at the age of 15. She achieved perfection through the daily renunciation of little things, and through prayer and meditation on the life of Christ. She wanted to be a missionary, and as her health made this impossible, offered her daily life within the convent for the mission of the Church. She died in 1897.



#### The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex - 3<sup>rd</sup> October



John Rugge, Thomas Percy, Thomas Pylcher, Henry Webley, Edward Shelley, Ralph Crockett, Edward James, George Gervase, Thomas Bullaker, William Howard.

On this day we honour ten martyrs, whose suffering span the whole period during which men and women

were put to death in England for their loyalty to the Catholic faith: a period of over 140 years, during the reigns of 5 monarchs. Among them are 4 laymen, 2 of noble birth, and 6 priests, including a Benedictine monk, a Franciscan friar and 3 'seminary priests'

#### St Francis of Assisi – 4th October

Born in 1181, the son of a wealthy merchant, Francis gave up everything to obey the words of the Lord: 'Leave all, and follow me.' He lived in complete poverty, preaching the gospel. Others came to join him, and they lived by a simple rule based on the Gospel. From them grew the Franciscan Order, which spread rapidly during his own lifetime, though he ceased to be its leader and left its administration to others. His life was a putting into practice of the beatitudes, and was marked by faith, joy, service of

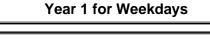


practice of the beatitudes, and was marked by faith, joy, service of others, prayer, and love of all created things. He died in 1226.

God Bless - Fr Tony

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# 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities



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# OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL BATTLE with ST TERESA OF LISIEUX NORTHIAM

The Presbytery, 14 Mount Street, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0EG

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 21st - SAT 28th SEPTEMBER 2019

SAT: 21st 6.00pm MERLYN D'SOUZA, R.I.P.

SUN: 22<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH – ST TERESA'S

10.45am JAMES FRASER, R.I.P. – BATTLE

MON: 23rd 12noon SVP QUIET DAY AT PENHURST RETREAT CENTRE

TUES: 24th 10.00am HOLY SOULS

WED: 25th NO MASS

THURS:26th 10.00am REV MICHAEL WALSH, R.I.P.

FRI: 27<sup>th</sup> 12noon MARY & GEORGE SHERWOOD, R.I.P.

SAT: 28<sup>th</sup> 10.00am JACK PARSONS, R.I.P.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am - 9.50am

#### Introduction to the Scripture Readings

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Liturgy is not something to get over with. It is the point of living.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Our opinion about leaders is worth so much less than our prayers for them.

**Gospel: Luke 16:1-13** 

The unjust steward is driven by his own self-interest, but this does not fool his master.

#### **Events and Feast Days This Week**

Monday is the memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcino, 'Padre Pio'.

**Tuesday** is the memorial of Our Lady of Walsingham.

Thursday is the memorial of St Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs.

Friday is the memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest.

Saturday is the memorial of St Wenceslaus, Martyr.

We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

*From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:* Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Jeanne Cogdell, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter.

*From St Teresa's:* Derek Robinson, Keith Bourne, Barney O'Neill, Terry & Audrey Evans, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage.

#### **Offertory**

The collection for the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September was £251.85 in Battle and £87.75 in Northiam, £183.50 was collected for Home Mission Sunday. Thank you all for your generosity.

#### **Sacramental Programmes**

**First Communion:** The first meeting of our First Communion Group will be on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019, at 6pm in the Presbytery.

#### Mission Appeal

We welcome Fr Tom McNamara, SMA, who today will be appealing for our annual mission appeal for the African Missions.

#### <u>SVP</u>

After the SVP Bring and Buy Sale, we look forward to tomorrow's Quiet Day at Penhurst Retreat Centre.

#### Saints of the Week

Our Lady of Walsingham 24<sup>th</sup> September





#### St Vincent de Paul, Priest - 27th September

St Vincent de Paul (1581-1660) was born in Gascony (France) and ordained a priest at the early age of twenty. Legend says he endured a period of captivity in Tunis; at any rate, after being falsely accused of theft, he dedicated himself to evangelising the poor, the unfortunate and the suffering. He founded the Congregation of Priests of the Mission (Lazarists)

and, together with St Louise de Mariallac, the Daughters of Charity. These congregations, together with the well-known Society of St Vincent de Paul, continue his charitable work today.

#### 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities Year 1 for Weekdays

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 28th SEPTEMBER – SUN 6th OCTOBER

SAT: 28<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm GRACE McADIE & KENNETH McADIE, R.I.P. SUN: 29<sup>th</sup> 9.00am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH – ST TERESA'S

10.45am LES HARVAIS, R.I.P. - BATTLE

MON: 30<sup>th</sup> 10.00am HOLY SOULS

TUES: 1st 10.00am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

WED: 2<sup>nd</sup> NO SERVICE

**THURS: 3<sup>rd</sup>** 10.00am CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION **FRI: 4**<sup>th</sup> 10.00am CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

SAT: 5<sup>th</sup> NO MORNING MASS OR CONFESSIONS

6.00pm JOE & KATHLEEN JOHNSON, R.I.P.

SUN: 6<sup>th</sup> 9.00am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH – ST TERESA'S

10.45am INTENTION OF SR KATHLEEN COOMBES, MMS

- BATTLE

#### Introduction to the Scripture Readings

First Reading: Amos 6:1. 4-7

Amos condemns the people of Samaria who lounge comfortably on the couches while the nation is facing moral disaster.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Timothy is urges to live a Christian life of faith, love and patience, that he may be ready for the coming of Christ.

**Gospel: Luke 16:19-31** 

The ancient parable of the rich man who ignored his poverty-stricken neighbour speaks powerfully to the modern world.

#### **Events and Feast Days This Week**

Monday is the memorial of St Jerome, Priest and Doctor.

**Tuesday** is the Solemnity of St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor.

Wednesday is the memorial of The Holy Guardian Angels.

**Thursday** is the memorial of The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex, including our own Thomas Pilcher).

Friday is the memorial of St Francis of Assisi.

Today is also CAFOD Harvest Fast Day.

#### Fr Pat Arrives

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October Fr Pat will arrive for three weeks. He is looking forward to being here. I am sure you will make him very welcome and look after him.

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