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9th December 2018 – 2nd Sunday in Advent (C)

O people of Sion behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of His voice heard in the joy of your heart – Amen

Times of Mass This Week

Due to Father Matthew's ongoing illness, there will not be any morning Masses said during the week.

We are in contact with the Friars in Waterloo to organize a Christmas Schedule of Masses and hope to publish the Mass times in next weekend's newsletter

Father Matthew is on the road to recovery

Father Matthew is making a good recovery after his surgery on Wednesday on his stomach. He is up and about in the ward and starting on his road to full health. Father has asked to pass on his heartfelt thanks for all the kind messages and prayers that have been sent to him. He is keen to get back to his own bed but will need to have some recuperation time to recover from his surgery. Father James McCurrick will be coming to the parish next Friday to organize a covering Priest to support Father Matthew.

Lets all prayer for Father Matthew and his speedy recovery

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: Father Matthew, Geoff Brown, Dominique Chapuis, Susan Clarke (Bernie's wife), Kathleen Sherwood (niece of Sheila Miller & Audrey Hatter), Reg & Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Richard Carey, Luisa Schetter, Father Matthews nephew- Nathaniel.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, ESPECIALLY: Professor Tom Healy, former parishioner, Chris Howard (Ve's brother), Ursula Horne, former parishioner and organist, Fr. Seamus, Eileen Russ (Mags' mother), members of our parish, our families, our relatives, our friends, our acquaintances, our veterans.

LOOKING AHEAD:

1. **DEANERY ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES:** Sunday, 9 December at 3:00 PM at St. Margaret Mary's, Bexhill Wednesday, 12 December at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas the Martyr, St. Leonard's-on-Sea.
2. **THE WORD OF LIFE: BISHOP RICHARD'S PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR DIOCESE:** Thursday, 13 December 2018 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM at St. Martha's, Cooden Sea Rd., Little Common, Bexhill-on-Sea, TN39 4SL. Our Bishop will be explaining his plans for the Diocese for the next 15 years, everyone is very welcome to come along to hear his message. If you need a lift or transport, call Simon on 07415 306222

Thought for the week ahead.....

Lord, help me to remember that there is nothing that happens today that we cannot handle together.

Come and join our Faith discussion Group

THERE WILL BE DISCUSSION GROUP THIS MONDAY, 10 December 2018 AT 5:00PM at the Rye Social Club. We will discuss chapter 4 of Pope Francis' *Exsultate et Gaudete*.

After this we will be turning our attention to the Nativity and the coming Christmas miracle

All are very welcome – it is a wonderful chance to ask the questions you always wanted to ask in a safe and friendly environment – do not be afraid - there is no deep theology, just a gentle discussion with a cup of tea, to help us get to know our Lord on a deeper more personal level, so we can call Him friend and Lord.

Are you interested in supporting the Rye Memorial Hospital Chaplaincy team?

Over the last three months St Anthony's have had the honour to established a Chaplaincy team at the Rye Memorial Hospital and we currently visit three days a week for about an hour per day. Would you be interested in joining the team? Do you have a good listening ear? Then please speak to Kathy Lenihan, Angela Tyson or Simon South for more details.