# NEWSLETTER

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# Monday 15th July - Sunday 21st July 2019

Monday 10:00am The Environment

Tuesday 10:00am Holy Souls

Wednesday 10:00am Liturgy of the Word

7:00pm Peter Enulue R.I.P

Thursday 10:00am Special Intention

7:00pm Leavers' Mass

**Friday** 10:00am Nial Stanley R.I.P **Saturday** 6:00pm Homeless People

Sunday Sixteenth week in Ordinary Time

8:30am People of the Parish10:00am Poverty in the World12 noon Priest's Intention

Confessions 2 – 4pm every Saturday, but can be organised anytime, text 07909 140867

# **Mass of Healing**

Next Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> at 12 o'clock, there will be a mass of healing. Please let sick and house-bound people know and if you can, arrange transport, to bring them along. South East Cabs are very helpful and can be contacted on 07739 944632. If you have a problem with cash, let me know. I trust St James' hospitality will be available in its' own inimitable way.

I trust in God and I trust in you.

#### St John Bosco

Children's Summer Camp, Essex.

For children aged 8 to 13, cost is £160 per week.

Application form or more information on the website:

http://svpboscocamp.org.uk

#### PARISH DAY.

Bigger and better every year.

Thanks to Bernadine and all those who gathered around her and those whom she badgered.

A great day was had by all. Thanks again to all.

Many people made light work of the whole day even to the point of cleaning up. Brilliant!

I and you can sleep calmly now.

#### **BISHOP JOHN WILSON**

Bishop Peter Smith has now retired to Herne Bay. We welcome Bishop John Wilson to the Archdiocese. He will be officially welcomed at 12 o'clock mass on the 25th July at St Georges Cathedral. Agnes will be singing.

All welcome.

### Laudato Si (continued)

Saint Francis of Assisi

10. I do not want to write this Encyclical without turning to that attractive and compelling figure, whose name I took as my guide and inspiration when I was elected Bishop of Rome. I believe that Saint Francis is the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. He is the patron saint of all who study and work in the area of ecology, and he is also much loved by non-Christians. He was particularly concerned for God's creation and for the poor and outcast. He loved, and was deeply loved for his joy, his generous selfgiving, his openheartedness. He was a mystic and a pilgrim who lived in simplicity and in wonderful harmony with God, with others, with nature and with himself. He shows us just how inseparable the bond is between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace.

# CONTENTMENT CONSISTS NOT IN GREAT WEALTH BUT IN FEW WANTS.

#### Manna Centre.

The Manna Centre are still in need of many things to help those that they can: Good clothes for men and women, toiletries, tinned or dried food etc.

### Leavers' Mass.

Thursday at 7pm is the school leavers mass, as the school closes for the summer holiday. All are welcome.

Sincere thanks to all our teachers and staff for the great work they do to make our school among the best in the country. Rest well.

# **Proposed Changes to Abortion Laws**

On Friday 5th July, Bishop John Sherrington issued a statement outlining proposed changes to law which could legalise abortions in Northern Ireland and remove existing legal safeguards in England and Wales. He asks Catholics to contact their MP requesting that they vote against this "most serious threat to the life of the unborn child in modern times", as a matter of urgency.

Pope Francis recently reiterated that 'every new life is a gift to be welcomed; it is fear that leads to the rejection of life'.