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*Rye, East Sussex*  
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[www.thegreyfriars.org/rye-east-sussex](http://www.thegreyfriars.org/rye-east-sussex)

**The Secular Franciscan Order in GB:** <http://ofsgb.org>

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**11 AUGUST 2019 ~ EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."**

**Times of Mass This Week**

<b>10 Aug. Saturday</b>	Jean & Michael Cummings (FMA)	<b>6:00 PM 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>11 Aug. Sunday</b>	For the Parishioners	<b>8:00 AM 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>11 Aug. Sunday</b>	Ann Monds (FMA)	<b>10:45 AM 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>12 Aug. Monday</b>	For the Catholic Church in France	<b>9:00 AM St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious</b>
<b>13 Aug. Tuesday</b>	For My Novitiate Classmates	<b>9:00 AM Ss. Pontius, Pope &amp; Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs</b>
<b>14 Aug. Wednesday</b>	+ For Paul Galka & John Joseph Dolan	<b>9:00 AM St. Maximilian Kolbe, OFM Conv., Martyr</b>

**15 Aug. ASCENSION THURSDAY A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!**

**MASSES AT 9:00 AM AND 7:00 PM**

MORNING MASS	For the Parishioners	9:00 AM
EVENING MASS	Feast of the Assumption (FMA)	7:00 PM

<b>16 Aug. Friday</b>	+ Lenita Duncan (FMA)	<b>6:00 PM St. Stephen of Hungary, King</b>
<b>17 Aug. Saturday</b>	Rosemarie & David (FMA)	<b>9:00 AM St. Drithelm, wealthy Layman, Monk</b>
<b>17 Aug. Saturday</b>	Sr. Teresa, FMSJ (FMA)	<b>6:00 PM 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>18 Aug. Sunday</b>	Aunt Teresa (FMA)	<b>8:00 AM 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>18 Aug. Sunday</b>	For the Parishioners	<b>10:45 AM 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>

**REMINDER: THURSDAY, 15 AUGUST, THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF  
 THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, BODY AND SOUL INTO HEAVEN  
 IS A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION  
 MASSES AT 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

Collection for 21 July: £574.05 {Does not include Direct Deposits}

Thank you Greatly!

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:** John Kilroy, Marcella Duckworth, Veronica Pragnell, Ann Hamilton, 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, Christopher Wilberforce, James, (Fr. Brian's father), my nephew, Nathaniel, Kennedy, and Mass intentions this week.  
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## The prayerful state

Mackenzie Robinson remembers a special experience at Buckfast Abbey

**W**ednesday, 26 April 2017, Buckfast Abbey: my first experience of Mass celebrated under the Old Rite. Despite having been a Catholic for 17 years now, the old Latin Mass has always remained under my radar, until now.

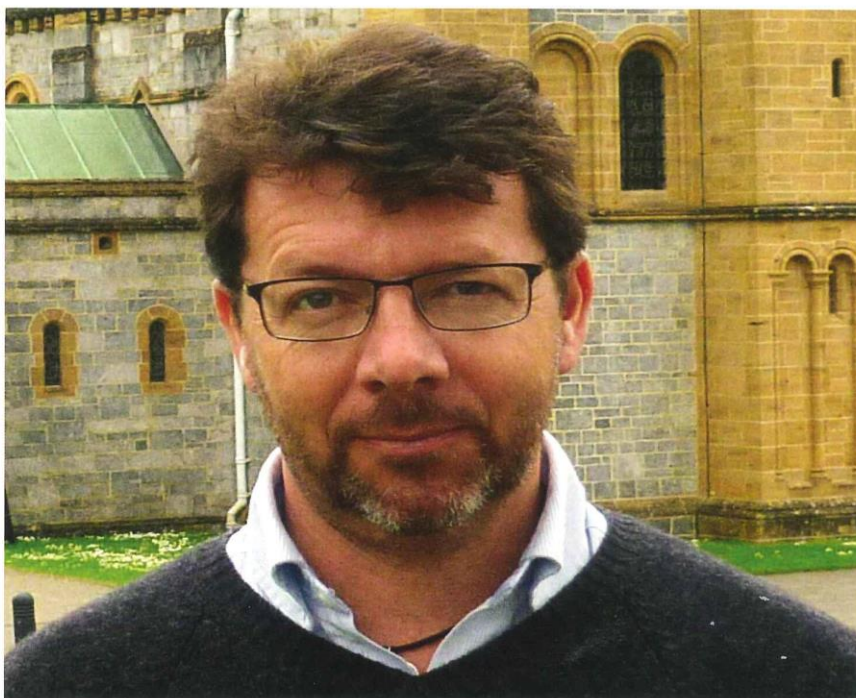
I had assumed that it would be essentially the same as the New Rite, only in Latin, and with the priest facing the other way. How wrong I was. It has a completely different atmosphere, and a different focus.

It is extraordinary how much less busy the Old Rite is for the congregation. The New Rite seems intent on keeping everyone actively involved - sit, stand, kneel, sit, stand, kneel; call and respond to prayers - as if fearing that our minds will wander if we are not given something to do.

In the Abbey I felt free to kneel, eyes closed, and just pray. I was still fully aware of the liturgy unfolding in front of me, all around me, because despite only understanding a few Latin words, I knew the underlying structure of the liturgy and what was happening. With the priest facing the same way as us, it felt natural to leave it to him to unfold the liturgy on our behalf. I did not need to follow and think about every word, it was simply happening anyway. I knew then that the liturgy is not fundamentally something that we do - instead our words and actions are the outward signs that God is doing something amongst us.

The experience of prayer was also different. I am familiar with silent prayer in the tradition of the Desert Fathers, using a silently repeated prayer-word or phrase, both on my own and in a group. For some reason praying this way is always easier, and deeper, with a group.

However, I was completely unprepared for what happened during Mass. I had never experienced it before, because the New Rite keeps you so busy - no time to go deeply into a state of




prayer, and the English words constantly stimulating your mind leave no space for that deeper attention to develop.

In this Latin Mass I found the words of the Jesus Prayer - 'Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me' - naturally arose within me. This was strange, because I do not normally use this prayer. But it was just there, and I felt as if I could stay kneeling in front of that glorious floor-to-ceiling stained glass window indefinitely, held in this wonderful, infused state of prayer. It is the only time I have been in Mass and felt a real sense of presence rather than absence, arrival rather than waiting.

When Mass finished, I walked slowly down through the Abbey, still feeling held in this prayerful state, almost as though I were drifting down the aisle (is this what being a monk feels like, on a

good day at least?). Even after Mass, my wife noticed that I was different, and wisely ordered me to go and have a walk on my own, as I was clearly not ready to go straight back to family life!

I took a slow, contemplative walk around the sensory and physic gardens, but the prayerful state continued, and even an hour after leaving, I was still there. This has never happened to me before.

I feel I am going to struggle with Mass under the New Rite from now on. The priest facing us, the insistence on our active participation throughout, no space, no quiet, words continually stimulating our mind - how did we ever end up with this? 

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