



Newsletter

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton 4th February 2024

Sunday Masses are available via the Cathedral live stream on www.arundelcathedral.uk

SUNDAY 4, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

(Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39)

6pm Saturday at the Convent: For the people of Sardhana

9.15am Mass: Emma Hiles RIP; 11.15am Mass: People of the Parish

MONDAY 5, Mem: St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

(1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Mark 6:53-56)

No Mass

TUESDAY 6, Mem: St Paul Miki & Companion, Martyrs of Japan

(1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Mark 7:1-13) 9.15am Exposition

10.00am Mass: Holy Souls, followed by Rosary

WEDNESDAY 7, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 5

(1 Kings 10:1-10; Mark 7:14-23)

8.30am Mass at the Convent of Poor Clares

THURSDAY 8, Mem: St Cuthman of Steyning, Hermit

(1 Kings 11:4-13; Mark 7:24-30)

10.00am Mass: Holy Souls, followed by Consolation Group Coffee

FRIDAY 9, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 5

(1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Mark 7:31-37)

10.00am Mass: Lionel Rowe RIP

SATURDAY 10, Our Lady on Saturday

(1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10)

10.00am Mass: Holy Souls

6.00pm Mass at the Convent of Poor Clares: People of the Parish

NEXT SUNDAY 11, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

(Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1; Mark 1:40-45)

9.15am Mass: Gerard Felix RIP

11.15am Mass: Henry XV Duke of Norfolk RIP

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MEETINGS OF THE

STORRINGTON & ARUNDEL COMMUNITIES

Sunday 18 February, 3.30 pm - Prayer at Arundel Cathedral; followed by social time in the Cathedral Centre, with an introduction to the process of bringing our two communities together, and an opportunity to raise points for consideration.

Sunday 3 March, 4.00 pm - Prayer at Our Lady of England, Storrington; followed by a meeting to begin discerning practical pathways forwards.

Please do come along. If you can car share with a friend or neighbour for both events, please do.

PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE

Lord, the Word who is Life.

**May all the people of our Diocese
grow in openness**

to the power of the Holy Spirit,

so that through a growth

in understanding and courage,

and truly open to your call,

we may bear powerful witness

to all around us,

for you are Lord for ever and ever.

Amen.

NEWS FROM ACROSS THE DIOCESE The diocesan Communications Team produces a free, weekly, online E-Bulletin newsletter. You can sign up to it using this link:

<https://mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is usually available between 10.30 and 11am on Saturday mornings or by arrangement via the Cathedral Office.

COFFEE AFTER 9.15am MASS in the Cathedral Centre - all are welcome.

ROSARY is prayed regularly on a Tuesday after 10am Mass **and** will also be prayer on the **first Saturday of each month** at 9.15am. All are welcome.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON "DROP IN"

Every Tuesday until 19th March
(then the 1st Tuesday of the month)
at the Cathedral Centre (lower hall)
from 2-4pm.

All are welcome for tea/coffee, games, meeting new and old friends for chat and laughter.



PROCLAIMER 2024 Our next edition of the Parish Proclaimer is planned for Easter 2024. The copy date by which we hope to have all articles in is Monday 26th February. If you have anything you would like to write about - an event, experience, poem, charity or something entirely new - please do send it -together with photos if possible although not essential - to melindaheathcote@btconnect.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR all who have died recently, especially Fr Stephen Ortiger.

We pray for all those who are sick, for whatever reason, that they might find healing and full recovery. For Ian Caws, Ann Rowe, Paul Rumball, Paul Walker, Lizzie Bennett, Pat Burton, Eve Larley, Thérèse Kemp, Richard Crosby, Benita Marshall, Jean Marc Fritz, Nick McMenemy, Andrew Naylor, Irena Ray-Crosby, Indigo Ashworth, Sylvia Reilly, Fr Dominic O'Hara, Carmel Morison, Margaret and Terry Molland, Leigh Warren-Thomas, Ronald Hutton, Tom Fox, Charlotte Cooper, John McDermott, Paul and Eileen Rogerson and all in the local hospitals, hospices, the Priory or in their own homes.

PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

We continue to pray for peace in Israel and Gaza and the surrounding area. Please also pray for peace and respect in our own Country, that we may all live in peace and security.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE APPEAL

Sunday 11th February. There will be a spoken appeal at all Masses and a second collection. If you are a Gift aid donor, please use the Lourdes Pilgrimage envelopes available at the back of the Cathedral. If you wish to donate to this appeal online, please go to: [Lourdes Pilgrimage \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](https://LourdesPilgrimage.abdiocese.org.uk) and click on the red donate button on the right hand side and follow the instructions. Your support in assisting people on this pilgrimage is much appreciated. There is lots of information about the pilgrimage on the website.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION GROUP coffee takes place on the second Thursday of the month after 10am Mass in Cathedral House. The next is on 8th February and then 14th March.

If you'd like to get in touch with someone from the team, contact the parish office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Fr Stephen Ortiger who died peacefully among his monastic brethren after a short illness, on 27th January. His Funeral Mass will take place at Worth Abbey on Saturday 17th February at 10.30am and will be followed by a reception. The funeral will be **livestreamed** for those who wish to attend virtually.

The Abbey know that many friends of Fr Stephen may wish to attend his funeral, so it will assist the organisation of the day if you are able to indicate your attendance by completing an RSVP at [Rt. Rev. Dom Stephen Ortiger, R.I.P. and Funeral Date – Worth Abbey](#)

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

will take place on the following dates at 9.15am Mass:
11th & 25th February;
3rd & 24th March (Palm Sunday)
14th & 28th April 2024

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Many parishioners now donate by setting up a standing order from their bank. This is usually made monthly but can be at other regular intervals such as weekly, quarterly or annually. This is a very convenient method and is a great help to the parish to have the certainty of this regular income. The amount the parish receives, averaged on a weekly basis, is £825.

27/28 January: received by standing order	825
Cash in Gift Aid envelopes	133
Cash not gift aided	235
	£1,193

Budget	£1,250
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GIFT AID If you are a taxpayer and don't already Gift Aid your donations please speak to or e-mail Martin Hall on ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk or the Cathedral Office.

FINANCE

If you wish to make a donation to the Cathedral online, here's how:

Direct to the Cathedral bank account:

Bank: HSBC, 69 Pall Mall, London

Account Name: Arundel Cathedral

Sort Code: 40 05 20

Account No.: 41076566

Or via the parish website [Arundel Cathedral – Arundel Cathedral](#) there is a 'Click to donate..' button at the top of the home page. You can Gift Aid via this method.

DONATION DEVICES We have two donation devices in the Cathedral where you can donate by card, and you can Gift Aid your donations. We also have a poster and banner with a QR code.

MARRIAGE WEEK 2024 runs from 7-14 February.

A Christian marriage is rooted in faith; that means faith in God, as the giver of life and the one who promises eternal life to those who believe in him. There are resources for couples at: [Marriage-Week-2024c.pdf \(cbcew.org.uk\)](#)

We pray for married couples:

God our Father,

We pray in thanksgiving for the vocation to marriage

And for each couple that you join together in order to make a family.

We ask that every marriage brings each couple closer to you and closer to holiness.

We pray for those who are struggling in their marriage at present,

That they can make it through this tough time

And support each other in their differences.

We make this prayer through Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

ST PHILIP HOWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Barnham is currently recruiting for Exam Invigilators to join our exams team. This is a flexible role that provides full training and the opportunity to join a friendly and supportive team. Visit the vacancies page on our website to learn more about the role and method of application: www.sphcs.co.uk.

TURNING TIDES A box is kept at the back of the Cathedral for your donations for those who are in need, with a list attached of items needed at the moment. (or see: [Wish List 2023 \(turning-tides.org.uk\)](#)) Please do not leave fresh food at the Cathedral. Please also ensure that donations are within their use by date and unopened.

LENT

Begins on Ash Wednesday 14th February.

Masses will be at: 10am and 7pm

DEANERY LENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Sunday 17th March 4pm at Our Lady of England, Storrington

Tuesday 19th March 7pm at Our Lady of Sorrows, Bognor Regis.

All are welcome.

THE DIOCESAN INVITED COURSE runs again in Lent. You can access this online individually or as a group at [Invited | Arundel & Brighton Diocese \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](#) and there may be a group in Storrington church (more next week).

LENTEN TAIZE SERVICE to be held at Bosham Catholic Church, Fairfield Road, Bosham, PO18 8JH on Sunday 25th February 2024 at 4.00pm. The theme is 'Come Back to Me', and everyone is very welcome to stay for refreshments after the service.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHES AT SLINDON CHURCH

You are warmly invited to join us on Thursday throughout Lent from 15th February for delicious soup lunches at St. Richard's Catholic Church, Top Road, Slindon BN18 ORH from 12 noon to 2pm. All donations to Stonepillow, our local homeless charity. At 11am on Thursdays in Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross, so an opportunity to attend both events.

CAFOD BIG LENT WALK Will you walk 200km in 40 days to help fight global poverty?

That's 5km a day, and you're in good time to get in plenty of training. You can walk, run, skip, or stroll your 200km, when and where you choose, alone or with friends. You'll be among thousands of people up and down Great Britain conquering your 200km targets in time for Easter.

The money you raise will help people as they overcome poverty. Remember: every step you take is a step closer to a fairer world. Let's tell poverty to jog on! Sign up now at: [CAFOD - Catholic international development charity](#)

HI LO SINGERS 18TH FEBRUARY A visiting choir will sing at the 11.15am Mass on 18th February and will then give a recital at 2.15pm of music suited to Lent, ranging from Renaissance Italy through to 19th Century France and England.

CORPUS CHRISTI & CARPET OF FLOWERS

The date when the carpet of flowers will be on view to the public this year is **29th & 30th May**, with the Mass and procession taking place on Thursday 30th. To make this event possible we need lots of volunteers from Sunday 26th May – Friday 31st. **Can you help?** There will be an evening for potential and existing volunteers on **Thursday 29th February at 7pm** in the Cathedral Centre, when there will be a brief talk about the carpet for this year and a chance to sign up and meet with other volunteers. Come along and find out how you can help.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER OF ST ALPHONSUS

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen

THE DIOCESE IS ADVERTISING for a P/T Buildings Officer: School Buildings & Finance. Part time (0.6 FTE). Based in Crawley - with travel around Sussex and Surrey. Salary £27,000 (FTE £45,000). For more details see [P/T Buildings Officer: School Buildings & Finance | Careers](#) (abdiocese.org.uk)

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR ABOUT

CAFOD'S WORK. Neil Thorns, CAFOD's Director of Advocacy, Communications and Education who has a wide knowledge of Campaigns, COP28 and CAFOD'S work in the world will give a live presentation on Saturday 10 February at 10am at St Francis & St Anthony Hall, Haslett Avenue West, Crawley RH10 1HR.

For further information contact Jenny Finlayson arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk 07710 094448

GATWICK DETAINEES WELFARE GROUP

supports asylum seekers and other migrants who are held in immigration detention at Gatwick. Some of those held arrive with only the clothes they are wearing. The charity gives out good quality second-hand men's clothes and would be extremely grateful for laundered donations. The clothes they need are: Tracksuit bottoms: M, L, XL, XXL. T-shirts: S, M. Jeans: 32", 34", 36". Trousers: 32". Trainers: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 (40-45). They do not give out second-hand underwear. No women's clothes please. These can be left in the grey box at the back of the Cathedral.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN (20s & 30s)

Theme: Discerning God's Call in your life
Dates: 16-18 February 2024; Location: Liverpool
The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ).

Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you. For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org