



OUR LADY OF ENGLAND

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – 24th March 2024

THIS SUNDAY 24, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year B

6pm Vigil Mass: Mrs Gwyn Brophy RIP

8am Mass: Canon Michael Spelman RIP; 10.00am Mass: People of the Parish

MONDAY 25, Monday of Holy Week

9.00am Mass

TUESDAY 26, Tuesday of Holy Week

9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 27, 'Spy' Wednesday of Holy Week

9.00am Mass: Brendan Walls RIP

7.00pm Rosary

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

THURSDAY 28, Maundy Thursday

9.00am Office of Readings

8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching
and Night Prayer at 11.50pm

FRIDAY 29, Good Friday

8.45am Office of Readings; 9.15am Walk of Witness

3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY 30, Holy Saturday

9.00am: Office of Readings

8pm Easter Vigil & Mass of the Resurrection: Celebrant's Intention

NEXT SUNDAY 31, Easter Sunday, Year B

8am Mass: People of the Parish; 10.00am Mass: Margot, Edward & Maurice Crew RIP

OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ARE:

St Philip's Catholic Primary School

London Road, Arundel

Tel: 01903 882115 www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk

St Philip Howard Catholic School

Elm Grove South, Barnham

Tel: 01243 552055 www.sphcs.co.uk

REFLECTION

There are a lovely couple of verses in John's Gospel, just before he narrates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We read them every year at Mass on the Saturday before Palm Sunday:

The Jewish Passover drew near, and many of the country people who had gone up to Jerusalem to purify themselves looked out for Jesus, saying to one another as they stood about in the Temple, "What do you think? Will he come to the festival or not?" (John 11:55-56)

You could easily miss the passage—it seems almost a throw-away remark. But every year I think the same thing. Yes, Jesus is definitely going up to the feast of Passover. And not just to celebrate it like He had done every year previously, at least since He was twelve. This year it's going to be His Great Passover, from death to life.

So the question isn't really, "Is Jesus going up to the Passover?"—He is. It's whether WE are going to go up. Will we celebrate it with Him? Will we be there on Maundy Thursday as He washes His disciples' feet, commands us to love one another as He has loved us, and gives us the Holy Eucharist? Will we watch with Him at the Altar of Repose, as He keeps watch in the garden of Gethsemane? Will we come back on Good Friday, hear His Passion and venerate His Cross? If we haven't done already, will we make a good Lenten Confession and allow the forgiveness Jesus won for us on the Cross to heal our own souls? (There's still time: after the Good Friday Liturgy and on Holy Saturday morning.) And will we come to celebrate His glorious Resurrection at the Easter Vigil (the greatest service of the whole year), or on Easter Sunday morning—or even both?!

Fr Stephen

STORRINGTON & ARUNDEL COMMUNITIES

Thank you to all who attended the meetings and to those who responded online or on paper. A team from both parishes will now work through these responses with Fr Stephen. We will update via the newsletter when there is further news. In the meantime, please pray for our two communities at this time of change.

GIFT AID DONORS in order to save costs on envelopes and postage, if you have an e-mail address and have not previously received your end of year statement by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to John Crook on ga.storrington@abdiocese.org.uk Your details will not be passed on or used for anything other than Gift Aid.

TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK

Spy Wednesday 6pm Diocesan Chrism Mass at Arundel Cathedral – all welcome.

Maundy Thursday 9.00am Office of Readings
8pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, with washing of the feet, and watching before the Blessed Sacrament until Night Prayer at 11.50pm

Good Friday: 8.45am Office of Readings
9.15am Ecumenical Walk of Witness, starting in our church and ending at Trinity Methodist at around 10.15am

Good Friday 3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion,

Holy Saturday 9am Office of Readings
Holy Saturday 8.00pm Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday 8am and 10am Mass

EASTER OFFERING. Your offerings to the priest at Christmas and Easter are his main source of income. Thank you for your generosity. If you are a Gift Aid member, please use one of your special envelopes; if not and you can Gift Aid, please use one of the envelopes at the back of the church.

OUR LADY OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S

LITURGY EASTER EGG HUNT 2024 Come to Mass on Easter Sunday and celebrate the Risen Lord then enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt with other families in the cloister garden after Mass. Book in by 25th March. <https://forms.office.com/e/FU4vgB5uTm>

SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your recent offerings. 2 weeks church collections amounted to £149.00;

CAFOD Lent Collection £541.00

CAFOD wall box: £11.21

For any Gift Aid queries (or if you want to join the scheme) you can e-mail John Crook on ga.storrington@abdiocese.org.uk

PRAYERS FOR PEACE, especially in Ukraine, and in Gaza and Israel continues:

Rosary for Peace, Wednesdays 7pm (not Ash Wed)
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Saturdays 9.30-10.30am (after 9am Mass).

GIFT AID ENVELOPE BOXES are now available for collection From the Narthex.

200Km BIG LENT WALK for CAFOD Parishioner Jim Monaghan has undertaken this challenge. If you'd like to sponsor him, click on this link: [JIMS LENT 24 walk is fundraising for CAFOD](#)

THE SANDGATE CHOIR (FORMERLY SANDGATE SINGERS) SPRING CONCERT

THIS SUNDAY 24 MARCH 7.00pm Our Lady of England Church, Storrington RH20 4LW. Dvorak Mass in D & Jenkins Sacred Songs. Tickets: £12 (including refreshments) available from 07836 558403, online at: www.sandgatesingers.com or on the door.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE If you're thinking of joining the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage this summer, on the 50th Anniversary of the pilgrimage, complete an application at: [Lourdes Pilgrimage \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](http://LourdesPilgrimage.abdiocese.org.uk) Some categories are already fully booked but there are still some transport and accommodation spaces for Helpers / Clinicians / Chaplains (especially those who can push wheelchairs to help our male assisted pilgrims), and accommodation space for (able) Pilgrims who are able to make their own way to Lourdes.

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>

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the soul of Peter Bernard Glover formerly of this parish (married here to Mary on 5th May 2006) who died 13th March. His funeral will take place here after Easter. He leaves his wife, two sons (Ben & Tom), three stepchildren and 11 grandchildren.

REX NORTHOVER RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rex and for his family. There will be a simple funeral service on Thursday 28th March 11.30am at Kent and Sussex Crematorium, Tunbridge Wells, TN2 5JJ and afterwards at The Vineyard, Lamberhurst, TN3 8EU. Please contact Nick 07775 020620 if you plan to attend. Rex' ashes will be buried at a later date in our cemetery.

NOVENA TO THE VIRGIN MARY Commencing this month, Cardinal Raymond Burke has called on Catholics around the world to join him in prayer to Our Lady until 12th December – the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. See more at Novena where you can sign up for reflections and videos during this time of prayer. Why not join our parish rosary group on a Wednesday evening at 7pm in the church? This group has been running for 5 years and prays especially for peace in Ukraine and the wider world.

FROM THE DIOCESE

A Parish Community? One of the aspects of the Pastoral Plan and the components that give us encouragement and affirmation in our faith journey is the strength and inclusive heart of our Parish Community. Building this sense of belonging and welcome to all, founded in our faith, is something we can help and support you with over the coming months. To find out how you can build "Our Parish Community, a family for all" contact E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

Diocesan Youth Council The Diocesan Youth Adviser is creating a new Diocesan Youth Council. The purpose of the Youth Council is to provide the Diocesan Youth Adviser with current and relevant information about young people. Members will offer insight into the joys and challenges of practicing the Catholic faith as a young person, and work with the Youth Adviser to create innovative and effective strategies to affirm and encourage other young adults from across the Diocese. Members must be aged 18-35. Contact E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for info.

Big Church Festival 25-26 May 2024

A Christian music festival in the heart of our Diocese. Join with 30,000 people from across the UK and beyond to worship together on the Wiston estate in West Sussex. With Mass on Sunday morning being celebrated by our very own Bishop Richard.

Save up to 52% by booking with this link <https://bigchurch.group/2024/catholics-at-big-church-festival>

Adoremus 2024 – Cost £40 per person

Join Bishop Richard at Adoremus 2024, the National Eucharistic Congress at Oscott, Birmingham and the place where the first Eucharistic procession took place after the restoration of the Church in Britain. The day will include a keynote address, Mass, a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction and a range of campus activities including an Acutis presentation, Rosary walk and Adoration in the Chapel. Parking is available at St Wilfrid's School, Crawley but please arrive in good time to board the coach which will depart promptly at 6.45am. The coach will depart Birmingham at 6pm. Please bring a packed lunch. For more information and to book your ticket please see the attached link [Adoremus 2024 \(14-Sep-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](http://Adoremus2024(14-Sep-2024)·ChurchSuiteEvents)

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit the Diocesan website events calendar W:

<https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMPETITIONS sponsored by the Knights of St Columba:

Easter Photo Competition: entries by 2nd April, submit photographs of Paschal Candles and or parish backdrop.

Lent Painting Competition: entries by 2nd April
A scene from Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday, include a related bible passage

Prayer Composition Competition: entries by 8th April. Prayer for our priests as they lead their parishioners and for all our religious as they work in the Lord's vineyard.

Essay Writing Competition entries by 22nd April. How do we keep the faith of our fathers and mothers in these days of artificial everything? Nationwide competitions with cash prizes for winners and their schools. Submit entries to trevor.stauss@hotmail.co.uk Please see posters in the porch for more information

CHEMIN NEUF

Regular opportunities:

Monday - Friday: Maronite/Catholic Mass at 9am and Adoration at 6pm-6:30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm Prayer Group, access via the front door or kitchen door.

E-mail: storrington@chemin-neuf.org or call 742150 for an queries.

NEWS FROM WINTERSHALL On Good Friday 29th March, the [Passion of Jesus](#) will be held in Trafalgar Square (performances at 12 noon and 3:15 pm). This is FREE for everyone, no tickets are required. Please get there early (45 minutes before) and check the weather for what to wear. Please see [here](#) a list of items which are not allowed in the Square.

If you can't make it, you can watch the livestream on our [Facebook](#) page. Please make sure you are following us on social media and help to spread the word by liking and sharing our posts, we'd be so grateful.

Also, this Sunday the 24th of March, tune into Radio 4 at 8:10 am when Gareth Malone leads his own production of Bach's Passion with excerpts from the Wintershall Passion and includes reflections by Bishop Jo Bailey Wells (one of our Trustees). On the same day watch BBC1 [Songs of Praise](#) at 1:15pm as presenter Sean Fletcher goes behind the scenes at Wintershall rehearsals, hears the remarkable story of how the plays began and walks the Stations of the Cross.

"THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER" is an exciting new course for Arundel and Brighton Diocese in support of The Word Who is Life Pastoral Plan. The course is free and aims to help us to live our lives empowered by the Holy Spirit. It is held over seven sessions, each with a well renowned speaker and small group discussions and starts just after Easter, on the 10th April 2024 and will run to the 23rd May. The Promise of the Father promises to be an exciting, enriching and God willing, a life-changing experience for everyone. Spaces in the venue and online are limited so early booking is essential, so please book now using the link below to avoid disappointment. You can find more information on the course and book your place here:

<https://www.catholicparishofworthingandlancing.co.uk/the-promise-of-the-father/>

THE FRIENDS OF ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL Invite you to join them in the Cathedral Centre (London Road, Arundel) on Thursday 11 April 2024 for a talk at 12 noon followed by a light lunch

Speaker: Baroness Caroline Cox, founder President of the Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust

Subject: The Pain and the Passion: The Privilege of Making A Difference

Tickets: £15; Friends £10

Available at: www.arundelcathedralfriends.uk

or from Lindsey Stratford:

aruncathfriends@btconnect.com

ROTARY FILM NIGHT, at Sullington parish Hall, Wednesday 10th April 7:30pm. This month's film "Scrapper" starring Lola Campbell, Alan Uzun and Gary Crankson. There will be an interval and bar and raffle. Tickets £5 from The Card Shop in Storrington. Unsold tickets available on the door on the night. For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745

Rotary Club Members can provide transport to the Film Night for local residents who are unable to make their own arrangements. Anyone needing transport should contact John Ollerton on 07523 322554. All proceeds go to charitable causes supported by Rotary. registered Charity No. 1029115

CATENIAN PUB LUNCH is on Friday 12 April at The George, Burpham; 12.30 for 13.00.

If you would like to come along and meet other Catholics in a relaxed setting. Please contact John Crook(jrc6789@gmail.com). He will then be able to send you a menu choice for a pre-order. Note a menu is not available for him to send until after the 29th March.