



# OUR LADY OF ENGLAND

## PARISH PRIEST

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## 4<sup>th</sup> 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter, Year B – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### **THIS SUNDAY 21, 4<sup>th</sup> 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter, Year B**

6pm Vigil Mass: People of the Parish

8am Mass: Ronnie Page RIP; 10.00am Mass: Teresa Kent-Hayes RIP

### **MONDAY 22, Monday after the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Mass

### **TUESDAY 23, Solemnity: St George, Martyr, Patron of England**

9.00am Mass: For the intentions of Indra Wijetunge

### **WEDNESDAY 24, Wednesday after the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Mass

7.00pm Rosary

8.00pm: 10am Mass Choir rehearsal – all welcome

### **THURSDAY 25, Feast: St Mark, Evangelist**

9.00am Mass: Fr Mark Gallipeau RIP & Stephen Gallipeau RIP

### **FRIDAY 26, Friday after the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Mass: In thanksgiving for God's healing grace

### **SATURDAY 27, Saturday after the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Mass: For peace in the world

(followed by confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10.30am)

6pm Vigil Mass: People of the Parish

### **NEXT SUNDAY 25, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year B**

8am Mass: Birthday blessings for Sally Wijetunge

10.00am Mass: Margaret O'Shea RIP

## OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ARE:

St Philip's Catholic Primary School

London Road, Arundel

Tel: 01903 882115 [www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk](http://www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk)

St Philip Howard Catholic School

Elm Grove South, Barnham

Tel: 01243 552055 [www.sphcs.co.uk](http://www.sphcs.co.uk)

### REFLECTION

In His discourse on the Good Shepherd (John 10:1-18) Jesus makes two comparisons. The first is between the Good Shepherd and the thief:

*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.*

The second is between the Good Shepherd and the hired man:

*The hireling ... abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees the wolf coming ... because he has no concern for the sheep. I am the Good Shepherd; I know my own, and my own know me ... and I lay down my life for my sheep.*

From this double comparison we can learn something of the delicate art of true, Christ-like loving. As so often in the Christian life, the aim is to find the perfect balancing point between two mistaken approaches. In this case the vices are possessiveness in loving on the one hand (the “thief”) and half-heartedness or lukewarmness on the other (the “hireling”). As always, the vices are rather easy: selfishness, being controlling or even manipulative on one side; and on the other, being a fair-weather friend who doesn’t really care, and just makes excuses when difficulties arise. As always, the balancing act of virtue between the opposing vices is somewhat more challenging—but beautiful, holy, lovely and life-giving: generous, whole-hearted, self-giving service and love.

Fr Stephen

### STORRINGTON & ARUNDEL COMMUNITIES

Please continue to pray for our two communities at this time of change.

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Thank you for your recent offerings.

**GIFT AID STATEMENTS** are available for collection from the narthex from Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN** re-commences this Sun. 21<sup>st</sup> April at the 10am Mass.

**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).

**ADVANCE NOTICE** Mass on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April will be at the earlier time of **8.00am**.

**HEATHER SIMPSON RIP** Please pray for Heather who died last week and for her family. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 2pm. (no 9am Mass that day).

**TODAY IS VOCATIONS SUNDAY** and this year marks the 61st Anniversary of World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

As Catholics and people of God we all know that God is calling us and has a plan for each of us. He called each of us by name through our Baptism to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some to the married life, some to the priesthood, some to religious life or to live as kind single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to?

Along with the whole Church, let us pray for vocations today. Let us take time to stir the hearts and minds of the people around us to think about the topic of Vocation. The National Office for Vocation (NOV) invites you to talk and encourage children, young people, grandchildren, students, family members to respond generously to the calling of the Lord.

[Vocations Sunday - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://cbcew.org.uk) There will be a second collection for the education of future priests.

### VOCATIONS SUNDAY PRAYER

God our Loving Father, you called each of us by name through the Sacrament of Baptism to holiness.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, you made us the temples of the Holy Spirit.

Help us to listen to the cry of our Lord Jesus from the Holy Cross ‘I thirst’ and respond to the call ‘Go out to the whole world and proclaim the good news to all the nations’.

Guide us in every step we take in life and lead us in every decision we make in responding to your call. Make us and mould us into the living images of Christ your Son, who was always close to those in need.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

### JIM'S FUNDRAISER FOR ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP ENGLAND AND WALES)

Parishioner and SVP Member Jim Monaghan is walking 115 kilometres of the famous Camino route in Spain in aid of our local SVP conference in Storrington. Hiking over hill and dale for 6 days to Santiago. Please donate what you can spare to help them help us to help the needy and recognise his achievement. [Jim Monaghan is fundraising for SVP](#)

**LONDON MARATHON (In memory of Rowena Currie)** In memory of our daughter Rowena who died last year, our eldest and youngest daughters, Alexandra and Catriona, are running in the London Marathon on Sunday the 21st of April. Alexandra is running to raise money for St. Barnabas Hospice, who cared for her in her final hours. Catriona is raising money for the Royal Brompton Hospital who cared for her since she was 5 days old, and as Rowena would say, her second home. If you wish to support Alexandra and or Catriona, please see below for payment details, or simply a thought and a prayer would very much suffice.

Thank you.

John and Georgina Hills.

<https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/Al-ex-Bennison>

<https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/Catriona-hills-a4558>

**CORPUS CHRISTI AT ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL NEEDS YOU**

Volunteers are needed to help bake cakes in advance and/or offer your time with the happy team of caterers in the Cathedral Centre to help serve visitors tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes on Wed 29th and Thur 30th May 2024

If you would like to know more, please contact:

Adam Vernon 07845 404 801 or e-mail

[arundel@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:arundel@abdiocese.org.uk)

**MASS INTENTIONS** there is a box in the porch situated on the pillar next to the main door. There are some pink forms on the nearby windowsill to complete the details of your intention and post them into the box. These are usually collected on a Wednesday and Sunday. Intention enquiries may also be e-mailed to [storrington@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:storrington@abdiocese.org.uk)

**TRINITY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP** meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month at Trinity Methodist Church, Thakeham Road, Storrington. We are part of the WCCM (The World Community for Christian Meditation). Our next meeting is Thursday, April 25 at 12 noon in the church. New friends are always welcome. For more information contact Rev Doug Hopwood on 01903 297087.

**ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat** 27th April "I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT ON ALL." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker **Kristina Cooper**. Please register for the 9.30-1.00 Zoom meeting in advance at [bit.ly/ADOREAPR2024](https://bit.ly/ADOREAPR2024) or attend in person 9.30-3.30 at St. Bede's Church, Basingstoke. More information at [www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com)

**FROM THE DIOCESE**

**Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead – Wednesday 26 June** A day of sharing and prayer with other Grandparents led by Bishop Richard to include Mass, Benediction, Rosary, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat. Please bring a packed lunch and a travel mug if possible. Arrival from 10.30am for refreshments. As always please car share if possible as parking is limited. Places can be booked through this link [Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead \(26-Jun-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**Santa Marta Group – Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation – Sat 29 June at St Peter's Hall, Shoreham** all are invited to attend a presentation and discussion on Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking – Communities and Parishes. In 2014 Pope Francis instructed Cardinal Vincent Nichols to lead the work of the Santa Marta Group as an important mission for the Catholic Church. The Group's origins come from partnerships between religious sisters and police in London, and a meeting at a Hertfordshire Church Parish Hall. Places can be booked through the attached link [Santa Marta Group - Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation \(29-Jun-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) Details from: Tessa Ricketts, Diocesan Advisor E: [tessa.ticketts@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:tessa.ticketts@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Mass for Engaged Couples**

Join Bishop Richard for a special Mass celebrating the momentous journey of discernment that is engagement towards the lifelong commitment made by couples preparing for marriage. Join us afterwards for a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. We look forward to meeting many engaged couples from across the Diocese and sharing in their joy. Please book here [Mass for Engaged Couples \(05-Jul-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

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>

**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** Jaron who is preparing for his First Holy Communion in the summer.

## **CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Do you enjoy working with children and young people?

Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in our Catholic schools and churches to bring alive their sense of global justice?

Could you give an assembly or a workshop in a local school?

Supported by CAFOD with training and resources, you will discuss issues of global justice, add to parish and school life whilst complementing the work of teachers, priests and catechists.

Contact the CAFOD A&B office at:-

St Pius X Church, Laustan Close, Meroo, Guildford, Surrey GU1 2TS Tel: 01483 573273 07710 094448

Email: [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk)

Website: [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

**THE CATHOLIC UNION** will be holding its annual Summer Gathering on Saturday 6 July 2024 at [Worth Abbey](#) in West Sussex.

The day will include an address from our President, Baroness Hollins and a talk by Abbot Christopher Jamison who is currently Abbot President of the English Benedictine Congregation. If you would like to attend, please contact the Catholic Union office at [info@catholicunion.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicunion.org.uk) or telephone 020 8749 1321 and give your name and any dietary requirements. For more information see: [Catholic Union Summer Gathering 6 July 2024 - The Catholic Union of Great Britain](#)

### **CHEMIN NEUF**

#### **Regular opportunities:**

Monday - Friday: 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](mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org) or call 742150 for an queries.