

The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



7th Sunday, Year C — 23rd February 2025

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Once, when Jesus was talking about loving our neighbour, someone asked Him, “Who is my neighbour?” And He responded with the parable of the Good Samaritan. Today Jesus commands us to love our enemies—and we could well ask, “And who is my enemy?” Perhaps a true story can help. It is related in the film *The Scarlet and the Black*.

It tells the story of Mgr Hugh O’Flaherty, who worked in the Vatican at the time of the Nazi occupation of Rome during World War II. Much of the film relates his escapades to help save the lives of thousands of Jews and escaped POWs. His arch-opponent is the Nazi Colonel Herbert Kappler, head of the SS police in Rome.

When the Allies, having landed in Italy and overcome German resistance, are approaching Rome, Kappler has O’Flaherty brought to him by night, at gunpoint, to the Colosseum, and demands that O’Flaherty should smuggle his wife and children to safety by the same route that he helped the Jews and POWs. “Priest! You’re a Christian. You’re supposed to love your enemies!” O’Flaherty walks away—seemingly in disgust.

But in the final scenes, Kappler is on trial for war crimes, and is asked how his wife and children escaped—and he answers, honestly enough, “I do not know.” During his subsequent imprisonment, Kappler had only one regular visitor—Mgr O’Flaherty. In the years following the war, Kappler was received into the Catholic Church—by Mgr O’Flaherty.

As Jesus said at the end of the parable of the Good Samaritan: “Go and do likewise.”

God bless, Fr Stephen

Changes to Mass times this week: Mass in Storrington on Thursday 27th will be at **9.00am**.

Please pray for **David Howell** (Arundel) who died recently. His Funeral Service will take place in the Cathedral on 26th February at 2pm, and for **John Annesley** (Storrington) who died recently, funeral details to come.

This Sunday - 23rd February Otto will be baptised during the 11am Mass at the Cathedral. Please keep him in your prayers.

Tuesday Drop-In every Tuesday 2 to 4pm Come and join together for a cup of tea, games, chat and laughter at the Cathedral Centre. All welcome.

Applications for this summer's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (25-31 July by air or own transport, 24 July-1 August by coach/jumbulance) are now open on the diocesan website: [Lourdes Pilgrimage](#)

Day of Recollection - 1st March. All are welcome to join this day of recollection at St Richard's, Chichester. Starting at 10am with Mass. In keeping with the theme of the Jubilee Year 2025, Anne Shardlow will take us on a journey as pilgrims of hope with the Chartres stained glass windows. Teas and coffees will be provided. Please bring a packed lunch. The day will finish at 3pm.

Lent begins on Wednesday 5th March, Ash Wednesday when Mass and the distribution of ashes will take place at 10am in the Cathedral and 7.30pm at Storrington. **The Poor Clares** will be holding a Lent Group every Thursday from 6th March 3-4.15pm, all welcome.

Ecumenical World Day of Prayer Service Friday 7th March 2.00pm hosted by Our Lady of England, Storrington and prepared by Christian women in the Cook Islands with the theme 'I made you wonderful.' As we take part in this service we are part of a wonderful wave of prayer which encircles the globe, praying with, and for, the Cook Islands and its people. Refreshments afterwards in the Hall. All welcome.

Liturgy of the Word with Children will take place again in Arundel THIS Saturday 22nd February at 5pm Mass. If your child has not yet made their first communion and would like to come and hear the readings in a simpler form and meet with others, please do come along.

Corpus Christi Carpet of Flowers Volunteer evening Thursday 20th March from 7pm in the Cathedral Centre. If you've never been involved before or even if you have and want to know what's needed this year, come along and hear about this event. Help is always needed with cutting flower heads, preparing greenery, at the shop piety tables, as stewards welcoming people to our Cathedral, preparing and serving teas, sandwiches and cakes, making cakes as well as general help in moving chairs and tables, clearing up etc. If you can't come on 20th March but would like to get involved, please contact Louise in the Parish Office.

Arundel Ministry of Consolation Group for those experiencing loss in any way, now or in the past. We meet **every 2nd Thursday** of the month in the Cathedral Centre 2-3pm for a cuppa and a chat. Next meeting 13th March, then 10th April. If you wish to contact a member of the team in the meantime you can do this via the parish office.

Storrington Inter-Church Prayers Monthly meetings on first Tuesday of the month 9.15am – 9.45am Storrington Priory Library.

Storrington Mothers Prayer Group meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of Our Lady of England church on 1st Thursday of each month at 2pm – next meeting **6th March**. All Mothers and Grandmothers most welcome to come and pray for our children and all children around the world. We also pray for the intentions in the Parish Book. For more information contact Cecilia 07494 287850.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

There are SVP Groups in Arundel and Storrington who meet regularly and can offer help and support. If you, or someone you know, would like a friendly visit or help in any way or you would like to know more, please contact the parish office.

Save the Date – Saturday 20 September 2025 Festival of Hope Celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Diocese and the Universal Jubilee Year with your family and friends this September.

Free Books There are a few books at the back of the Cathedral which are free to anyone. They will be there for 2 weeks, please do take them if they are of interest to you.

Green Energy did you know that the Cathedral and Centre energy is provided by a National Catholic Energy Buying Group? This scheme has been running for 30 years and strives to uphold the values of stewardship, community and service. Using the collective purchasing power of the Church, competitive rates are secured which helps each parish with the costs. Electricity is 100% renewable from wind, hydro and solar and gas is 88% green certified (biomethane). All of the Catholic Dioceses of England and Wales are part of the scheme.

Young Adult Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome Join our Diocesan pilgrimage for young adults aged 18-30 to celebrate the special Jubilee year. Celebrate with other like-minded people, as we travel to the beautiful city of Rome for opportunities to hear from, and pray with, Pope Francis on the theme of Hope. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for information

Worth Abbey "Come and Sing" Day Saturday, 1st March Participate in the performance of Vivaldi's renowned Gloria with the Worth Abbey Choir and a professional orchestra. Guest who are keen to sing are invited to arrive for 1.30pm, please register your interest as soon as you are able by emailing Edward Dean (Abbey Director of Music) at edean@worth.org.uk and those who wish to enjoy the concert should arrive at 3.15pm for refreshments followed by the performance. Please contact Kelly O'Hara (Assistant to the Abbot) at kohara@worth.org.uk Parking is available and families are welcome.

Discover the Story Behind Wintershall's Biblical Plays In a captivating insight into the world of Wintershall's acclaimed biblical plays, the Guildford and District Knights of St. Columba are set to host a revealing talk on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at St Dunstan's Church in Woking. Tickets £5, proceeds supporting Wintershall's work and the Knights of St. Columba's charities. Advance booking is highly recommended at [Sell Tickets Online | Free Event Ticketing with TicketSource](#) (search "Wintershall"): [Guildford & District Knights of St Columba event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

Visit from the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, along with relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco at St Peter's, Shoreham. The day includes a procession and Mass, prayer, Veneration of relics, Adoration and video presentation. Saturday 1st March, 09.45 until 16.45; St Peter's Church, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WG (Tea/coffee available; please bring a packed lunch) Email: adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk for more information. The statue and relics will come to Arundel in November.

Caritas Social Action Network is launching 'Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction', an online course for staff and volunteers in parishes. The programme will be spread over five one-hour Zoom sessions on each Tuesday in March and on 01 April 2025. To register go to: [Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#) To get in touch with course administrator Bernadette e-mail bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk

National Novena to St Joseph 10-18 March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Patron with a Novena of Masses and prayers. To find out more see: [Novena 2024 - Mill Hill Missionaries](#)

Hospital or housebound? If you, or a member of your family, or a friend is unable to come to Mass for any length of time, due to illness or infirmity, please do contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged. If someone is in hospital or a care home, please let the Parish Office know where and ideally which ward. The sooner we are aware of people in the need the better.


HOLY MASS	
Saturday 22nd Cathedral 5.00pm	7th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am Storrington 4.00pm	People of the Parish The Byrne Family Vespers & Benediction
Monday 24th Cathedral 10.00am	Jack Gore RIP
Tuesday 25th Storrington 10.00am	Deceased of the Anobili, Odil, Prior & Esezobor Families
Wednesday 26th Cathedral 10.00am Cathedral 2.00pm	Intentions of the Strudwick Family Funeral Service of David Howell RIP
Thursday 27th Storrington 9.00am	Mr John Roy RIP
Friday 28th Cathedral 10.00am	Fr Stephen Ortiger RIP
Saturday 1st Cathedral 10.00am Cathedral Centre 5pm	Feast: St David Deceased of Kiely & Delauzun Families 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C Holy Souls
Sunday 2nd Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Michael Hembrey RIP People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 10.30am - Arundel
Thursdays 10.30am - Storrington

Prayers For The Sick
Your prayers are asked for all who are unwell at this time, those at home, in hospital, hospices and in care homes.

Sacrament of the Sick
Please contact Fr Stephen
Tel 01903 882297

Other local parishes:
Petworth: 01798 342169
Bognor: 01243 823619
Chichester 01243 782343

 **Requiem in Aeternum**
Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.

Liturgy of the Word with Children
Takes place weekly at 9am Mass in Storrington.
At Arundel this will take place at **5.00pm Mass** once a month as follows:
22nd Feb, 22nd March, 26th April.
All are welcome at either place.

Coffee & Tea
After 9.00am Mass at Storrington
After 11.00am Mass at Arundel

 **Music at Mass**
9.00am Mass Music Group at Storrington—all welcome to rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in the church.

Rosary
Wednesdays 7.00pm - Storrington
Mondays after 10am Mass - Arundel
First Saturday of the month 9.15am - Arundel
Adoration
Thursdays 10.30—11.30am - Storrington
Fridays 9.15—9.55am - Arundel
Saturdays 10.30—11.00am - Arundel

Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington
Monday - Friday: Adoration 6pm-6:30pm in the Church
Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat Mass (Maronite) 9.00am in the Church
Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm Prayer Group
01903 742150 storrington@chemin-neuf.org

Masses at the Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush
Monday - Saturday: 8.30am; Sunday: 6.00pm