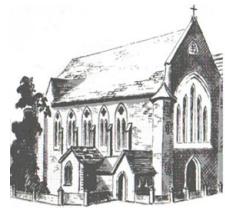


The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 25th January 2026



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There is something wonderfully joyful about the response of Peter and his friends to Jesus' call. Their spontaneity and courage are exciting—even inspiring—if just a little bit scary too. It's youthful and vigorous rather than being careful and measured. Maybe it's the way the Church ought to be. Maybe it's the way each of us ought to be as we hear Christ's life-giving message.

To understand those disciples' response to Jesus' call properly, I think we need to combine what Matthew tells us with what John says at the beginning of his Gospel—some of which we heard last week. The point is, this is not the first time Peter and his gang have met Jesus. They had been disciples of John the Baptist, and John had pointed out Jesus as "The Lamb of God". So they start to follow Jesus along the road, and get into conversation with Him, and Jesus invites them to spend the rest of the day with Him. They may even have seen some of Jesus' first miracles.

Now Jesus is asking them to take the next step: not just to enjoy time in His company, but to become His disciples—not just to follow along the road, but truly to be His followers in mind and heart. And He holds out to them where that will lead, that is, to becoming fishers of men. A little bit scary? Yes, I guess so. Vigorous, joyful, courageous, exciting? Yes, certainly. Inspiring? Yes, definitely. So, shall we follow their example, and follow Jesus?

God bless, Fr Stephen

Changes to Mass times this coming week: On **Wednesday 28th** there is no Mass in Arundel due to a Requiem Mass in Storrington at 12.30pm (see below). On **Friday 30th** there will be no Adoration or morning Mass, all welcome to Mass at 6.30pm for Bishop Richard. On **Saturday 31st** 10am Mass will be in the Fitzalan Chapel and Confessions will be from 10.45am back at the Cathedral. No Adoration.

Please pray for Kate Osgood (Storrington) who died recently. Her Requiem will take place in Storrington on Wednesday 28th January at 12.30pm.

This Sunday is the 'Sunday of the Word of God' - a day, instituted by Pope Francis on the Feast of Saint Jerome in 2019, devoted to the celebration and study of Sacred Scripture. We will Commission/Re-commission our readers in Arundel and Storrington this weekend and we give thanks for their service to our parishes in this ministry.

Diocesan Mass of Farewell to Bishop Richard. This will be an opportunity to celebrate with Bishop Richard on **Friday 30th January at 6.30pm in the Cathedral**, followed by a reception in the Castle. All welcome.

Collection for Bishop Richard Next weekend we will take a collection to give to Archbishop-elect of Westminster Richard, in thanks for his service in our diocese and in our Cathedral. Donations may be made on the donation devices in the Cathedral and Storrington as well as in the collection baskets.

Winter 2025 Edition of The Proclaimer is on sale at £5 each in Storrington and the back of the Cathedral after 11am Mass this Sunday or in the Cathedral Shop. The Digital Edition is available to view from the Cathedral website: <https://arundelcathedral.uk/arundel-cathedral-proclaimer-2025-digital-edition>

Vespers and Benediction will take place THIS Sunday, 25th January at Our Lady of England, Storrington. All are welcome.

Arundel Ministry of Consolation Group - for those experiencing loss in any way, now or in the past. If you want to contact a member of the team you can e-mail them at: MOC@arundelcathedral.uk or call the Cathedral office.

SVP Toiletries Collection Point – Our Lady of England At the back of the church, you will find a wicker basket where you can place (new/unused) donated toiletries. We are seeking to help vulnerable families and individuals, including women escaping domestic violence, refugees, and those affected by homelessness. Items such as hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, body wash, deodorant, shaving foam and wash cloths (flannels) are always greatly appreciated and make a real difference to those in need. Thank you for your continued generosity and support in helping care for some of the most vulnerable in our community.

Ecumenical Lent Groups - Christians in Storrington Shared Lent Course Meeting every Saturday from 28th February 9.00am (Croissant and Coffee) 9.30am - 10.45am (Course) to Saturday 28th March @ The Priory Hall, Chemin Neuf Community, Storrington. Our shared commitment to *keeping a good Lent together* as Christians in Storrington, will be based on the contemporary spiritual Christian classic ***God on Mute*** by Pete Greig. The book, supported by Youtube videos, explores the profound struggle of unanswered prayer and God's silence during times of trouble and need. The sessions will address deep questions about suffering, doubt, and finding God's presence amidst pain, providing biblical insight and comfort for any feeling distant from God. For more details and to register your interest text Jonathan 07538011579 or email frj.stmary@gmail.com All are welcome. **Come to just one or to all the sessions!**



Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Applications are now open, see [Lourdes Pilgrimage](#) for more information and to apply. The annual collection for the Pilgrimage fund will take place on 7/8 February.

Lectio Divina at the Poor Clares Convent, Crossbush takes place on Monday 26th January 3-4pm, and then every Monday for Lent, beginning just before Lent on Monday 16th February. All are welcome.

New Parishioners Are you new to the parish? Have you filled in a form to let us know you're here? The form for both Arundel and Storrington is here: [Register With The Parish – Arundel Cathedral](#) Maybe you've been with us a while but haven't sign up to the database? Contact the parish office or register on the link above.

Deaf Community Masses 2026 The Diocesan Deaf Service is a pastoral service for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people across Surrey and Sussex. The Deaf Service aims to create awareness of the existence, and needs, of those who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, both in the Church and in society, encouraging the celebration of Mass and the sacraments on a regular basis, in a style appropriate to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community's needs. Deaf Community **Masses** take place on 7 February, 7 March, and 4 April and will be celebrated at 1pm at Our Lady of Sorrows, Lower Road, Effingham, Leatherhead, Surrey KT24 5JP. W: [EFFINGHAM & FETCHAM - Home](#) To find out more please contact Maria Booker E: peterandmaria.booker@abdiocese.org.uk

Posters/Notices Anyone wishing to put up a poster or notice in either Arundel or Storrington is kindly asked to check with Fr Stephen, Deacon Roger or the parish office beforehand.

Mental Health Awareness training – Saturday 7 February 10am—3pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley One of the challenges that we are experiencing in our modern world is the growing number of people, of all ages, experiencing the darkness and challenge of various mental health conditions. Thanks to the support of Mental Health England, the diocese is able to offer this training, to explore the realities, symptoms and impact of living with these many debilitating conditions. Thanks to the support of the trainer, we are able to highly subsidise the event. Tickets are now £40 per delegate (usual price £120). To register scan the QR code above or go to the Events page of the Diocesan website. If you have any questions about this course, do not hesitate to contact Simon South, Marriage & Family Life Adviser at E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk



Grand News – a newsletter for all Grandparents in our Diocese Copies are available at the back of the Cathedral/Storrington porch or you can view this online at: [Grand News - new issue out now! | News](#)

Get into Teaching - Bosco Sussex Teacher Training Friday, 30th January, there will be two sessions 9.30am and 11.30am, experience a live session led by the Head of our Primary Hub - Sarah Gale. There will be plenty of opportunity to speak to current trainees and Sarah will answer any questions you may have. The event takes place at St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Worthing. Please contact tcashman@sphcs.co.uk to book a time to visit or for more information. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Arundel and Storrington Offertory Summary		
	December 2025	No special collections in December
Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	£6,838	
Envelopes and card transactions (Gift Aid)	£3,333	
Cash	£1,725	
Total	£11,896	
Monthly Offertory Budget	£9,000	Thank you all for your continuing generosity.

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Saturday 24th		3rd Sunday - Year A
Cathedral	5.00pm	John McDermott RIP
Sunday 25th		
Storrington	9.00am	Don Wijetunge RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	People of the Parish
Storrington	4.00pm	Vespers and Benediction
Monday 26th		Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops
Cathedral	10.00am	George & Mary Elizabeth Leggatt RIP
Tuesday 27th		
Storrington	10.00am	People of the Parish
Wednesday 28th		St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor
Storrington 12.30pm		Requiem of Kate Osgood RIP
Thursday 29th		
Storrington	10.00am	Doug Blackburn RIP
Storrington	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11.30am
Friday 30th		
Cathedral	6.30pm	Mass of Thanksgiving for Bishop Richard
Saturday 31st		St John Bosco, Priest
Fitzalan Chapel	10.00am	Bernard, XVI Duke of Norfolk RIP
Cathedral	10.45am	Confessions
		4th Sunday - Year A
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 1st		
Storrington	9.00am	William & Susan Bradley RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Intentions of Lorraine Cranfield
Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington		
Mon - Frid: Adoration 6pm-6:30pm in Church		
Mon, Wed & Fri Mass (Maronite) 9.00am in the Church		
Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm Prayer Group		
Masses at the Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush		
Monday - Saturday: 8.30am; Sunday: 6.00pm		
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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.		
Coffee & Tea		
After 9.00am Mass at Storrington		
After 11.00am Mass at Arundel		
Liturgy of the Word with Children		
Takes place weekly at 9am Mass in Storrington. At Arundel this will take place at 5.00pm Mass twice a month as follows:		
24th January; February 14th & 28th; March 7th & 21st; April 11th & 25th		
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		
Finance		
If you have any questions about setting up standing orders or Gift Aid, please contact Martin Hall on ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk		
Martin can help with queries in both Arundel & Storrington.		

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