



The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



5th January 2025

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Christina Rossetti's beautiful carol, *In the Bleak Midwinter*, ends with the following verse:

What can I give him, poor as I am?
 If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;
 if I were a wise man I would do my part;
 yet what I can I give him—give my heart.

Traditional crib scenes often have shepherds offering a lamb to the infant Jesus. No mention is made of this in the Scriptures, but it makes sense: a lamb would be a valuable gift—and would also point prophetically to Jesus as the Lamb of God. Likewise the Magi's three gifts are precious and significant. Tradition sees the gold as pointing to the Kingship of Jesus, frankincense to his Divinity, and myrrh (a perfume used in burial) to his death on the Cross as our Redeemer.

What can we offer to show our homage to Jesus? As the carol says—our heart. But this does not just mean sentimentality. Perhaps we can follow Mary's example. She gave Jesus tender love when He was a baby and courageous love standing at the foot of the Cross. She offered her mind: questioning (not doubting) the angel at the Annunciation to understand better what God had in mind, and prayerfully pondering all the things that happened to Jesus (Luke 2:19,51). And she offered her will to whatever God asked: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." (Luke 1:38) All of this is to give our heart to Jesus.

God bless, Fr Stephen

No Changes to Mass times this week.

Funeral Services take place on Monday 6th January at 11.30am (Arundel) for Julie Pallant and 2.30pm (Storrington) for Michael Hembrey. Please pray for them and their families and friends.

Crib Offering 2024 Our Crib Offerings will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society's A & B Crisis Fund. This fund provides emergency grants for children and families in our Diocese who are facing a crisis in their lives. Every single penny donated to the Crib will be given out via these grants. The crib will remain in place until 2nd February.

Please pray for Fiona Reidy (Storrington) who died peacefully at Hillside Care Home in Pulborough on 1st January. Funeral details to be arranged.

Confirmation 2025 Application forms for the Parish Confirmation programme are available at the back of the Cathedral and in the porch in Storrington. If you are in Year 10 or above and want to embark on the course to learn more, please complete a form and return it to the Cathedral or to Fr Stephen by **5th January 2025**.

Tuesday Drop-In every Tuesday 2 to 4pm returns this week on Tuesday 7th January. Come and join together for a cup of tea, games, chat and laughter at the Cathedral Centre. All welcome.

Arundel Consolation Group Coffee will meet on every 2nd Thursday of the month at the Cathedral Centre from 1-3.30pm, dates as follows: this week—9th January; 13th February; 13th March & 10th April. All are welcome.

Diocesan Directories available from the shop in Arundel and porch in Storrington £5.00 each.

Storrington Responsible Car Parking Please remember when parking for Mass that there is plenty of space in the car park (2 cars between each tree) and that should you need to park on the road, please be mindful of the safety of road users and the space required for emergency vehicles to pass by.

Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word – Saturday 25 January 11 - 4pm at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Burgess Hill Led by Bishop Richard. The day will include talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, and preparing to minister as a reader. There will be a time of Lectio Divina, and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass. The booking link can be found here [Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word \(25-Jan-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

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.

St Philip's Catholic Primary School, Arundel are seeking a Foundation Governor. You don't need to be an education expert, the most effective governors listen, think and ask questions. You do need to be: A Catholic who attends Sunday Mass regularly and gives true witness to the teachings of the Church; prepared to work with discretion as a member of the full governing body and attend training events to help build up a body of knowledge and expertise; bring a wider skill set to enhance the wider Governing Body in undertaking its collective duties to lead the school and meet the contemporary requirements of the Department for Education and Ofsted. If you want to know more please contact: the clerk to governors, Lesley-Anne on lscorgie@spcpsarundel.co.uk

The Eva Clare Davidson Housing Charity in Storrington is seeking 2-3 new Trustees in 2025. The charity was set up to help "gentlewomen in reduced circumstances". The roles are voluntary, requiring just a few hours per month and would ideally suit someone with administrative, property management or similar experience. If you are interested and would like to discuss further please contact Philip Orpwood by email philiporpwood@hotmail.co.uk or phone Philip on 07909 848 113.



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.

HOLY MASS		
Saturday 4th Cathedral 5.00pm	The Epiphany of the Lord, Year C People of the Parish	
Sunday 5th Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Graham Linfield RIP Nora O'Hare RIP	
Monday 6th Cathedral 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany Fr Bernard Brady RIP	
Tuesday 7th Storrington 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany People of the Parish	
Wednesday 8th Cathedral 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany Estilita & Gregorio RIP	
Thursday 9th Storrington 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany Paul Trim RIP	
Friday 10th Cathedral 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany For the intentions of Slawek	
Saturday 11th Cathedral 10.00am	Feria after the Epiphany Betty Barrett RIP	
Saturday 11th Cathedral 5.00pm	The Baptism of the Lord, Year C Valerie McDermott RIP	
Sunday 12th Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Margo, Edward & Maurice Crew 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:
25th Jan, 22nd Feb, 22nd March.

All are welcome at either place.

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

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.

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

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