



**The Catholic Community of
Arundel & Storrington**
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
20th September 2026

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Live Stream	Masses from the Cathedral are livestreamed and are available via the Cathedral website www.arundelcathedral.uk or https://www.churchservices.tv/arundel								
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What's your reaction to the parable of the workers in the vineyard? Do you feel it as a rebuke or an encouragement, as chastening or consoling? It all depends on who you identify with—and at which point in the parable.

If we're workers hired at the beginning of the day, it should feel like a privilege to be chosen by the landowner (i.e. God) to work all day long (all our life long) in His vineyard. But at the end of the day we may be feeling tired and grumpy, forgetting whose work we have been chosen for. Then we can give in to negative temptations like grumbling and envy; so a salutary challenge from the Lord is precious, even if painful—a holy jolt to make us remember what really matters.

If we're still waiting to be hired at the eleventh hour, maybe we feel we have rather wasted our life. Maybe there's something in the landowner's rebuke, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" Then it's wonderful just a moment later to hear the Lord say, "You go into the vineyard too." It's never too late to start, and the Lord despises no one ... and there's an amazing reward just around the corner!

God bless, Fr Stephen

THIS WEEK

Changes to Masses this coming week: On Friday 25th there will be no 10am Mass (or 9.15am Adoration). Requiem Mass at 12 noon. No Convent Mass on Tuesday 22nd September.

Please pray for Irena Ray Crosby (Arundel) Her Requiem will take place in the Cathedral on Friday 25th September at 12 noon.

Home Mission Sunday – 20th September On this day the bishops of England and Wales ask the faithful of our countries to look for ways in which we can all do our part in sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ - in our homes, at work, in our friendships and in every aspect of our daily life. There is a reflection at: [Home Mission - The Joy and Beauty of knowing Jesus Christ - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#) We will take a second collection to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate.

The Feast of Our Lady of England will be celebrated at Storrington on Wednesday 23rd September with Vespers at 7pm. All are welcome and for light refreshments afterwards.

Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing for those who are experiencing significant ill health or frailty of old age on Thursday 24th September at 10.00am in Storrington followed by refreshments. If you or a family member or someone you know who is Catholic would like to attend, please let the parish office know. All are welcome to attend and pray with and for those being anointed.

Adult Formation in Storrington Is reconvening this autumn to read and discuss *The Sign We Give*, the report on collaborative ministry published by the Bishops of England and Wales in 1995. This document is particularly relevant now at a time of priest shortages and of growing awareness, in a synodal church, that laypeople are being called to play a full part in the Church's mission and life. The first of 5 sessions will be on Saturday 26 Sept 10-11.30 am. Meetings will be in the sacristy. All are welcome. Any queries to Michael O'Shea (Storrington) tel. 07730 096 181, or Bernard Phillips (Arundel) tel. 07842 214 596.

The Proclaimer magazine is now available at the Cathedral and in Storrington porch at £5. Payment can be made on the donation devices in both places. The magazine can also be viewed online at: [Final Proclaimer Version - 27-08-26 by bji12341 - Issuu](#)

COMING SOON

The Tuesday Drop In Next meeting Tuesday 6 October at the Cathedral Centre 2 to 4pm. All are welcome for tea/coffee, chat, games and more.

Arundel Pilgrimage Walk - Saturday 26th September 10am to 4pm in honour of Our Lady and St Philip Howard, starting and finishing at the Cathedral, and stopping at the remains of the ancient religious foundations of Arundel for short prayers. For full details see [Arundel Cathedral Friends – The Friends Of Arundel Cathedral](#) To book please phone Lindsey Stratford on 01903 884567 or email: admin@arundelcathedralfriends.uk

DIOCESAN

Bishop-elect Stephen Please keep Fr Stephen Wang in your prayers as he prepares for his move to our diocese.

Arundel & Brighton Young Adults Retreat days in the Diocese - standard ticket price £20 Young Adults (18-35) are invited to Retreat Days in parishes across the diocese. An opportunity to meet other young adults outside of your own parish community for fellowship, formation and faith. The theme is *"You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" (Jn 15:27)*. Booking via the Diocesan website events page [Events | Our Diocese](#). Any questions Bex Driver, Diocesan Youth Project Officer E: bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk

Mental Health Awareness training – Sat 17 Oct 10-3pm at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley – cost £40 A training day to explore the realities, symptoms and impact of living with these many debilitating conditions. Any questions, contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage and Family Life Adviser at E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. To book go to [Events | Our Diocese](#)

GENERAL

Food Collection There is a box at the back of the Cathedral for food donations for Stonepillow, a local charity supporting people with housing difficulties. You can see what they need most at: [Donate Food - Stonepillow](#)

Clothing Collection there is also a box at the back of the Cathedral for men's clothing needed by the Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group.

SVP Toiletries Collection Point – Our Lady of England at the back of the church. Please donate new or unused toiletries. We are seeking to help vulnerable families and individuals, including women escaping domestic violence, refugees, and those affected by homelessness. Items needed: hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, body wash, deodorant, shaving foam and wash cloths.

Storrington Car Park In order for everyone who drives to church for Sunday Mass to be able to park safely, please endeavour to park **two** cars between each set of trees. If you park forwards of the trees a second row can fit in behind.

Hymn Book Amnesty Do you have a hymn book tucked away at home / in the car/ in a handbag or shopping bag? We suffer in both churches with a shrinking number of books and would be please if any strays could be returned.

A Week of Guided Prayer (online) for those Affected by Clergy Abuse Sunday 18th – Friday 23rd October 2026 offered by The Jesuit Institute During the week, we will invite you to commit to 30 minutes of personal prayer each day and up to 45 minutes to speak about your experience in prayer with a spiritual director online at a time that suits you. There is no charge for this retreat. [An Online Week of Guided Prayer for those affected by Clergy Abuse in the Church - Retreats](#)

'ABRAHAM' (A course for those over 70ish) A series of 5 days with the Chemin Neuf Community to look at the possibilities as we age at The Priory, Storrington, RH20 4LN 10am – 4pm Thursday 24 September, 8 October, 22 October 5 November and 19 November 2026. Contact: Felicity Hadley email storrington@chemin-neuf.org or for more details: [Abraham - Chemin Neuf UK](#)

Secondary School Supplementary Information Forms Any parishioners needing a form signed for their child, please come to the Cathedral Sacristy on Wednesday 7th October between 2-4pm. If you are unable to come on this date, please e-mail the parish office.

St Philip Howard Catholic School is currently recruiting for a Learning Support Assistant and a Design & Technology Technician. To learn more about these opportunities, please visit the vacancies page on the school website: www.sphcs.co.uk.

St Philip Howard Catholic Secondary School, Barnham Open Evening - Thursday, 24 September (5.00pm – 8.00pm) Prospective students, their parents and carers all welcome In order to manage numbers, we'd kindly ask you to complete a booking form in advance see website: www.sphcs.co.uk. Talks by the Headteacher, Mr Hulse, at 5.15pm, 6.15pm and 7.15pm. During your visit you'll be treated to a tour of the school by our wonderful students. School tours will also be available on three mornings per week from Monday 28 Sept - Friday 23 Oct for you to see the school in action. Please call the school office to make an appointment (01243 552055)

The London Concertante perform 'The Four Seasons' and 'The Lark Ascending' in the Cathedral on Sun 27th Sept 7.30pm. See [London Concertante | Vivaldi's Four Seasons and The Lark Ascending](#)

Arundel & Storrington Offertory Summary	
	August 2026
Standing Orders (GA)	£5,644
GA Envelopes & Card Transactions	£783
Cash	£3,318
Total	£9,745
Budget	£9,500
Special Collection in August	
Aid to the Church in Need £761.00	
Thank you all for your continuing generosity.	

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK			Rosary
Saturday 19th		25th Sunday, Year A	Wednesdays 7.00pm (Storrington) Mondays after 10am Mass - Arundel First Saturday of the month 9.15am - Arundel
Cathedral 5.00pm		People of the Parish	
Sunday 20th			
Storrington 9.00am		Intentions of Margaret Rennie	Music at Mass 9.00am Mass Music Group at Storrington—all welcome to rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in the church.
Cathedral 11.00am		Leslie William Strudwick RIP	
Monday 21st		Feast: St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist	
Cathedral 10.00am		For the wellbeing of Tessa Stevens	Liturgy of the Word with Children Storrington 9.00am Mass every week from 6 th September. Arundel 5.00pm Mass 26 th September, 10 th & 24 th October.
Cathedral 2.30pm		Memorial Service for James Malcolm Green RIP	
Tuesday 22nd			
Storrington 10.00am		People of the Parish	Coffee & Tea After 9.00am Mass at Storrington After 11.00am Mass at Arundel
Wednesday 23rd		St Pius of Pietrelcina, 'Padre Pio'	
Cathedral 10.00am		The Wammes Family	
Thursday 24th		Feast: Our Lady of England	Requiem in Aeternum Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.
Storrington 10.00am		For all in need of anointing	
Friday 25th			
Cathedral <u>12 noon</u>		Requiem of Irena Ray-Crosby RIP	Sacrament of the Sick Please contact Fr Stephen Tel 01903 882297 Other local parishes: Petworth: 01798 342169 Bognor: 01243 823619 Chichester 01243 782343
Saturday 26th		Ss Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs	
Cathedral 10.00am		Irena Ray-Crosby RIP	
Cathedral 10.30am		Confessions and Adoration	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.
		26th Sunday, Year A	
Cathedral 5.00pm		People of the Parish	
Sunday 27th			
Storrington 9.00am		Graham Linfield RIP & Anna Fairburn RIP	
Cathedral 11.00am		Bernard and Beatrice Eustace RIP	

Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington
 Mon - Frid: Adoration 6pm-6:30pm in Church (not in August)
 Mon, Wed & Fri Mass (Maronite) 9.00am in Church (not in August)
 Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm Prayer Group (not in August)
 01903 742150 storrington@chemin-neuf.org

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