



# The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington

2nd Sunday of Easter, Year C — 27th April 2025



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Live Stream	<p>Masses from the Cathedral are livestreamed and are available via the Cathedral website <a href="http://www.arundelcathedral.uk">www.arundelcathedral.uk</a> or <a href="https://www.churchservices.tv/arundel">https://www.churchservices.tv/arundel</a></p>		
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This week we have all been saddened and shocked (if not so surprised) by the death of Pope Francis. It's always a shock when someone important to us dies. Our spontaneous and authentic response is to pray for them untiringly, to commend them to God's boundless mercy, and to thank God for them—and for all the gifts He has given us through them. That's exactly what people in Rome, around the world, and here in Arundel and Storrington have been doing.

There is something very beautiful about the timing of the Pope's death. On Easter Sunday he gave his blessing to those gathered in St Peter's Square and to the whole world. And the next day he died, entering completely into the Mystery we had just celebrated—the Mystery of the Lord's suffering, death and Resurrection.

Our readings at Mass this Sunday wonderfully pick up the key themes in our minds and hearts. On Easter Sunday, the Risen Jesus did not actually appear in the readings! Today, at last, He appears to the apostles in the Upper Room. What does He bring them? First of all, peace. Then overflowing joy as they experience the wonder of Jesus' presence back among them. Next comes mission—sharing in Jesus' own mission from the Father, and the gift of the Holy Spirit to enable them to carry out this mission. Finally Jesus gives mercy, the power to forgive sins. Peace—joy—mission—mercy. Key themes in the life and work of Jesus; key themes in the life and work of Pope Francis; key themes to inspire us and our whole world.

*God bless, Fr Stephen*

**Changes to Mass times this week:** The Saturday morning Mass and Confessions this Sat 26 April will be cancelled as this will be the time of the Pope's funeral. The 5pm Mass this Saturday will take place in the Cathedral Centre, due to a concert in the Cathedral. Mass on Monday will be at 10am in Storrington, on Tuesday at 10am in Arundel and on Wednesday is replaced by a Requiem Mass at 11am in Arundel. Morning Mass on Saturday 3rd May will be at the earlier time of **9.00am** due to confirmation Masses taking place in the Cathedral.

**Please pray for** Sue Sherlock formerly of Storrington parish who died recently. There will be a Memorial Mass for Sue on Friday 30th May 11am at St Gabriel's Church in Billingshurst. Please also pray for Rev. Michael Weaver (Arundel) and for Cicely Ball who died recently. Cicely's Requiem is on Wednesday at 11am.

**Liturgy of the Word with Children** takes place weekly at 9am Mass in Storrington re-commencing next Sunday 4th May. At Arundel this will take place at **5.00pm Mass** once a month as follows: **26th April**, 10th May. All are welcome.

**Confirmation** season begins next weekend and when these Masses are taking place on a Saturday, the 10am morning Mass will move to 9am, with no Exposition or Benediction but Confessions will still be available after Mass.

**Assisted Suicide Bill** if you didn't pick up a card to send to your MP there are still some in both churches. Alternatively you can visit the diocesan website to view Bishop Richard's letter and where you will find helpful links [Assisted Dying: "No-one should be dispatched as a burden to others." | News](#)

**Thank you** A big thank you to all of you for your very kind Easter Offering and for your lovely Easter cards and gifts. Many thanks also to everyone who worked so hard to make our Holy Week and Paschal Triduum celebrations so beautiful: to our altar servers, choirs and musicians, readers, welcomers, flower arrangers, ministers of Holy Communion, church cleaners, linen launderers, fire builders, minibus drivers—and anyone else I might have forgotten. Particular thanks to Deacon Roger for his ministry, and to Louise for her tireless work in the office. And thank you to everyone who came along so we can pray and celebrate the wonderful mystery of Christ's saving Death and Resurrection together—indeed, also to those who were unable to attend in person but joined us in spirit and truth. May God grant you all a very happy and holy Eastertide.

**Storrington Parish Meeting: "Growing our Parish Community – the way forward in Christ"**

On Friday 16 May we will be holding a gathering for all parishioners to discern where we are now as a parish community, what we feel we do well, and what our ideal parish of the future looks like. Then sharing our thoughts and ideas of how we can grow in faith and love for our Lord Jesus Christ and share his love with others.

We will start with a shared meal from 6pm, with discussion from 7pm, and finishing by 8pm. All very much welcome. Please put the date in your diary. More next week.

**Tuesday Drop-In** is returning to monthly meetings, the next meeting is on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2-4pm at the Cathedral Centre, followed by: 3<sup>rd</sup> June; 1<sup>st</sup> July; 5<sup>th</sup> August (TBC); 2<sup>nd</sup> September. All are welcome for tea, coffee, chat, games and friendship.

**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 date this Thursday **May 8th**. If you want to contact a member of the team you can e-mail them at: [MOC@arundelcathedral.uk](mailto:MOC@arundelcathedral.uk) or call the Cathedral office.



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.

**Divine Mercy Sunday on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025** There will be Confessions available from 4.30 to 5.30pm in the Cathedral. Also two events nearby: **2pm** at St Peter's Church, 13 Church Road, **East Wittering**, PO20 8PS Rosary, Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet and **3pm** at St Peter's, **Shoreham**, a Holy Hour of Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Confessions, followed by Benediction at 4.00pm. More information email: [adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk). All are welcome.

**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 1st May. 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.

**Schools Vacancies** There are several employment vacancies in schools in the diocese, see [Careers | Arundel & Brighton Diocese](#) including Headteacher at St Philip's Catholic Primary School Arundel. School website: [stphilipsarundel.org.uk](http://stphilipsarundel.org.uk)

**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](#)  
**Storrington SVP** would like to sponsor somebody to go to Lourdes this year as a helper. Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

Bookings have just opened for the **Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage 2025 "Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope" which will take place from the 9 - 23 August**. Walking across the Surrey Hills and along the Sussex coast, this year's route will visit every deanery in the Diocese, together with churches of many denominations, with pilgrims welcome to join the group for a day, a few days, or the whole 2 weeks. To find out more and book your place visit: [2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope – Join Us, and Spread the Word | Pilgrims Live!](#)

**Celebrate festival - Witness to hope** 16 - 20 August 2025 at Worth School. A relaxed faith filled festival situated around a big top! Inspirational speakers; groups for children and young people; Masses and worship; prayer; fun and fellowship. Come and camp in our festival campsite, or book into our residential school accommodation. Book now at: [CELEBRATE festival — CELEBRATE Trust](#)

**Mass for Migrants, 11 May at 5.30pm, St Joseph's Church, Brighton, BN2 3AA** The Diocese is hosting a special Mass, celebrated by Bishop Richard Moth, for migrants in recognition of the valuable contribution they make to the life and mission of the Catholic Church. Details can be found here: [Mass for Migrants \(11-May-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**Theology of the Body – Online course for Youth Leaders & Confirmation Catechists - four sessions starting 4 June** An opportunity to explore the rich teachings of St John Paul II and explore how we might share them with the young people we work with. Join our short course hosted by our Diocesan Youth Adviser, Lizzie Wakeling. We will be joined by Dave Legrand, Secondary Adviser RE & Catholic Ethos who will be able to offer insight into what our young people are learning at school, and how we can complement that in our work with them. E: [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) or register at [Theology of the Body for Confirmation Catechists \(04-Jun-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**Bishop Richard is leading a special Jubilee Year pilgrimage to Walsingham this summer** (Friday 6 June to Sunday 8 June), with people across our community of faith invited to mark the 60th anniversary of our diocese and Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year. Dating from around 1061, the [Catholic National Shrine & Basilica of Our Lady, Walsingham](#) was once one of the four principal shrines of Christendom, along with Rome, Jerusalem and Compostela. Today, the Shrine attracts some 150,000 pilgrims during the pilgrimage season, with about 35 major pilgrimages from Catholic dioceses, parishes, societies and associations. Walsingham is a great Marian Shrine of the Incarnation and a place of pilgrimage for all who would rejoice with Mary at the great joy of the Annunciation. To find out more and book your place, please click here: [Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham \(06-Jun-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**The London Concertante** will performing Bach violin concertos by candlelight in the Cathedral on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm. Tickets from [Bach Violin Concertos in Arundel 9th May 2025 – London Concertante](#)

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
<b>Saturday 26th</b>		
<b><u>Cathedral Centre 5.00pm</u></b>		Pope Francis RIP
<b>Sunday 27th</b>		<b>2nd ‘Low’ Sunday of Easter, Year C</b>
Storrington	9.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	11.00am	Pope Francis RIP
<b>Monday 28th</b>		
<b><u>Storrington</u></b>	10.00am	Pope Francis RIP
<b>Tuesday 29th</b>		
<b><u>Arundel</u></b>	10.00am	Pope Francis RIP
<b>Wednesday 30th</b>		
Cathedral	<b>11.00am</b>	Requiem Mass for Cicely Ball RIP
<b>Thursday 1st</b>		
Storrington	10.00am	Brian Simmonds RIP
<b>Friday 2nd</b>		
Cathedral	10.00am	Edward & Gerard Wallace RIP
<b>Saturday 3rd</b>		
Cathedral	<b>9.00am</b>	Deceased Hutchinson & Clancy Family
		<b>3rd Sunday of Easter, Year C</b>
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 4th</b>		
Storrington	9.00am	Diane Nyland RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Sr. Christine Alderson CP RIP


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

<b>Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington</b>	
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	<a href="mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org">storrington@chemin-neuf.org</a>

<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
Saturdays 10.30am - Arundel
Thursdays 10.30am - Storrington


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

<b>Sacrament of the Sick</b>
Please contact Fr Stephen
Tel 01903 882297
Other local parishes:
Petworth: 01798 342169
Bognor: 01243 823619
Chichester 01243 782343

	<b>Requiem in Aeternum</b>
Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.	

<b>Liturgy of the Word with Children</b>
Takes place weekly at 9am Mass in Storrington (not this Sunday 27th).
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<b>26th April</b> , 10th May, 14th June, 12th July.
All are welcome at either place.

<b>Coffee &amp; Tea</b>
After 9.00am Mass at Storrington
After 11.00am Mass at Arundel

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

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

Masses from the Cathedral are livestreamed and are available via the Cathedral website  
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