

The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



4th Sunday of Easter, Year C — 11th May 2025

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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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A reflection from Fr Nick Harden, priest in Chichester—Call and Response.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as *Good Shepherd Sunday*. We reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, devotedly caring for his flock.

It is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Last year, Pope Francis wrote of a "polyphony of diverse charisms and vocations [within our] Christian community." This is part of the message of our own Diocesan Pastoral Plan. We are all expected to discern where the Lord is calling us to serve. As he explained, "Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty and peace."

And if discernment is to happen, we are required to make use of those essential Christian dispositions: silence, stillness, and listening.

Just prior to Ordination, I was sent on retreat to Douai Abbey. On a personal level, I was not in a good place, hit by sudden nervousness and doubts. Early one morning an elderly monk, the complete opposite of me, very calm and gentle, led us in *Lectio Divina*. I was on the point of exploding as he slowly explained step-by-step how this was done. We focused on the Psalm from the mass that day. Through the silence, stillness, and listening, I had one of the most profound experiences of God speaking to me. There were no voices, but it changed me. All my fear, doubt, (and anger) was taken away.

I will leave the final words to Pope Francis: "Rise up! Let us awaken from sleep, let us leave indifference behind, let us open the doors of the prison in which we so often enclose ourselves, so that each of us can discover his or her proper vocation in the Church and in the world, and become a pilgrim of hope and a builder of peace!"

Changes to Mass times and Confirmation season When Confirmation 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. Saturday 10th, 24th & 31st May will be at the earlier time of 9.00am.

Second Collection TODAY for the Education of Future Priests. This collection can be Gift Aided.

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: 10th May, 14th June & 12th July. All are welcome.

We give thanks to God for the election of Pope Leo XIV (Robert Prevost) as the 267th pope. Please pray for him as he takes up this onerous and vital role in the Church, that he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, with wisdom and courage, gentleness and compassion, and with complete faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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. Separate flyer with more details in the church porch.

Please pray for Graham Rodmell (Arundel) who died recently. His Requiem Mass will be in the Cathedral on Tuesday 3rd June at 11.30am.

Searching for God - 22 May 7.30pm in the Cathedral Centre. Following a successful meeting in April there will be a second event for anyone who has an interest in discovering more about the Catholic faith / becoming Christian / returning to the practice of their faith etc. Open to anyone with an interest, you don't need to have attended before. We will be offering refreshments and conversation about our search for God in our lives in a friendly, open atmosphere, with no pressure, and all opinions and ideas welcome.

Corpus Christi—Helpers Needed. Have you signed up yet to help with our Corpus Christi Carpet of Flowers celebration on 18th and 19th June? Work takes place all week from Monday 16th. We are short of people to steward in the Cathedral during the two days. What's involved? Simply help to direct people, answer questions (you don't have to have <u>all</u> the answers) and generally welcome those attending. Or maybe you could help the catering team serving tea and cakes in the Cathedral Centre? Or perhaps you're not free on those days but could bake a cake (or two!) and drop it into the Centre either Monday 16th (afternoon) or any time on Tuesday 17th. Contact arundel@abdiocese.org.uk. Thanks so much.

Assisted suicide Bill - less than 1 week left! Report Stage of the assisted suicide Bill is 16 May. It is vital that you contact your MP urgently about this issue. Please take action now and visit Find out how your MP voted on assisted suicide and ask your MP to vote NO at Third Reading to email your MP - it takes just 30 seconds, or take a card from the back of the church. If you have the time, please also visit your MP - you can arrange a meeting now by visiting How to meet with your MP on assisted suicide

Storrington Parishioner Jim Monaghan's is undertaking the Camino walk again to raise funds for SVP, walking from May 11th to 18th. Visit his JustGiving page read all about it and to donate https:// www.justgiving.com/page/james-monaghan-3

Storrington SVP Annual Report is available on the noticeboard at the church and on the website. A big thank you to our SVP teams who do so much to support the community.



There are SVP Groups in Arundel and Storrington who meet regularly and can de Paul Society 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.

Silver Sterlings Advance notice date for your diary - 5th June, more help needed to prepare for Corpus Christi.

Parish Proclaimer The editorial team are currently working on a new edition of the Parish Proclaimer and would welcome articles from you all - both Arundel and Storrington. Our new method is to put each article online as soon as it is received and formatted, and once we have sufficient we will form them into the magazine, and printed copies will be made available as well as the online version. Probably this will occur towards the end of the summer. If you could send articles in Word that is most helpful, and pictures or photos need to be sent separately. The article should be no more than 1500 words. Please send to: melindaheathcote1@outlook.com You can view articles at Proclaimer Live — Arundel Cathedral

May Procession & Prayer for Our Lady Sunday 25th May at 3.30pm Storrington Come and celebrate the month of Our Lady with prayers at the shrine of Our Lady of England then a procession to the church for Evening Prayer and Benediction, followed by refreshments in the hall. All are welcome— Arundel & Storrington. (Ensure you have appropriate footwear as the ground around the shrine is uneven.)

Missio In 2024 our parishes of Our Lady of England and Arundel Cathedral raised £1,738.36 through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank You! Our missionary community is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer & financial assistance. This support of missionary priests enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit Home-Missio to find out more.

Petworth Area Churches Together Spring Lecture Friday 16th May 7.30pm His Grace the Duke of Norfolk will speak on 'Only One Life' "We all have two lives; the second one starts the moment you realise you only have one". St. Mary's Parish Church, Petworth, GU28 0AD. Free Entry. Wine and Canapés. www.petworthareachurchestogether.com

The Southern Section of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, will be celebrating Mass in Holy Trinity Church, Bosham on Saturday 17th May at 11.00am, led by Bishop Richard Moth. The knights and dames of the Order will be robed for this, possibly the first full sung Roman Catholic mass (including plainsong) in the church since the Reformation. All are welcome

Worth Abbey 50th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Church A day of celebrations will take place on Saturday 12th July, including Mass at 11am. All welcome. See <u>CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE ABBEY CHURCH on SATURDAY 12TH JULY | Worth Abbey</u>

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 or register at Theology of the Body for Confirmation Catechists (04-Jun-2025) · ChurchSuite Events

Food Collection There is a box at the back of the Cathedral (**now moved to the North side**) for food donations, which most recently have been give to Stonepillow, a local charity supporting people with housing difficulties. You can see what they need most at: Donate Food - Stonepillow Thank you for your continued generosity.

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track. Call to find out more www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

Chemin Neuf Quiet Day at Storrington Priory RH20 4LN on Thursday 5th June, 10am-4pm. A talk, guided prayer and simple lunch. Enquiries or Registration: storrington@chemin-neuf.org

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Saturday 10th		
Cathedral	5.00pm	Norma Cochran RIP
Sunday 11th		4th Sunday of Easter, Year C
Storrington	9.00am	Maurice & Nancy Carroll RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	2.00pm	East Grinstead Confirmation Mass
Monday 12th		
Cathedral	10.00am	Cleary & Hoban Families RIP
Tuesday 13th		
Storrington	10.00am	Intentions of Mary Walls
Wednesday 14th		
Cathedral	10.00am	The Sprankling Family
Thursday 15th		
Storrington	10.00am	Holy Souls
Friday 16th		
Cathedral	9.15am	Adoration
Cathedral	10.00am	Deceased of the Stephenson & Tipper
		Families
Saturday 17th		
Cathedral	10.00am	Mark Francis Stuart Douglas RIP
Cathedral	12 noon	Baptism
Cathedral	3.00pm	Wedding
		5th Sunday of Easter, Year C
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 18th		
Storrington	9.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	11.00am	Rodolfo Fierro López RIP
Cathedral	3.00pm	Lewes Deanery Confirmation Mass

Masses at the Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush

Monday - Saturday: 8.30am; Sunday: 6.00pm

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

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

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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