



**The Catholic Community of
Arundel & Storrington
2nd Sunday of Lent, Year A
1st March 2026**



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The Sunday Gospel readings of Lent tell a story. They each tell their own story, of course, but taken together they also narrate a tale, a tale of a journey: it is the story of conversion. Lent 1 reminds us that all of us, like Christ, must struggle with temptations, these challenge us and threaten to stop us even setting out on the journey to becoming a ‘new me’. Lent 3 introduces us to a Samaritan woman, who knows there is something missing in her life, but needs the Lord to help her see what it is: she longs for a fuller, richer life, to be converted to something more true and more real: ‘Give me this living water’. Lent 4 introduces a man blind from birth, and the story plays with the parallel between physical and spiritual blindness: to continue on our journey of conversion we must be willing to see ourselves as we really are – no self-delusion, no deliberate turning a blind eye to the truth; Lent 5 brings us crashing into contact with death: Lazarus is gone, and his sisters are heartbroken. Jesus tells them ‘I am the resurrection and the life’ and asks them if they believe him. This is another leap on the road to conversion: to believe, really believe, and trust, in his promise so that we can live even now as children of eternity.

For now, though, the journey has not long begun. On this Sunday (Lent 2) we join Peter, James and John as they see Jesus transfigured. They catch a glimpse – indeed more than a glimpse, of who he really is, and they delight in the wonder of it all. This memory will drive them on, deeper into conversion, deeper into grasping new life. Let us all ask the Lord to reveal himself to us, as this will put a spring in our step as we move onwards, deeper into the mystery of conversion, becoming more and more truly a people ready to greet the Lord of Life.

Canon Peter Newsam

There are no changes to Masses this coming week.

Please pray for Gerladine Hennon (Arundel) who died recently. Her Requiem will take place at the Cathedral on Wednesday 11th March at 12.30pm. Anne-Marie (Geraldine's daughter) would like those hoping to attend the Requiem (and reception) please to let her know for catering purposes on 07826 944922.

Tuesday Drop In Next meetings: Tuesday 3 March at St Wilfrid's Priory Care Home, 2 to 4pm, All welcome for tea/coffee, friendly chat, board games. Lifts available, please contact Maria on 07413 267267.

LENT

Opportunities for prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day 27th February You can donate online at [Give by virtual envelope](#) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10 or bring your donation this weekend **Sat 28th Feb/Sun 1st March** for the second collection.

HCPT Group 154 writes: We are a volunteer-led pilgrimage group from across our Deanery and Diocese. This coming Easter week, we are privileged to be accompanying six students from St. Philip Howard Catholic Secondary School with additional needs on their pilgrimage to Lourdes. It is a unique opportunity for these young people to experience the joy of the Gospel and the message of St. Bernadette in a supportive, vibrant environment. To ensure this life-changing experience is accessible to all, we do not ask the children's families for any financial contribution and we cover the costs for our accompanying nurse and provide subsidies for our University student helpers. Because of this commitment, our group needs to raise approximately £20,000. There will be an appeal and collection on **7/8 March**, please be as generous as you can with your donations and prayers for this endeavour.

Stations of the Cross will take place in Arundel on a Friday at 7pm alternating between the Cathedral and St Nicholas' Church. On Friday 27th Feb at St Nicholas' and Friday 6th March in the Cathedral. In Storrington this will take place after 10am Mass on a Tuesday.

Ecumenical Lent Course - Christians in Storrington Shared Lent Course begins this Saturday 28th February 9.00am (Croissant and Coffee) 9.30am - 10.45am (Course) to Saturday 28th March. More details and to register text Jonathan 07538 011579 or email frj.stmary@gmail.com **All are welcome.**

Lectio Divina at the Poor Clares Convent, Crossbush will take place every Monday for Lent 3-4pm.

Reconciliation There will be extended times of confession in the deanery with additional priests available as follows: Saturday 14th March in Arundel 10.30am onwards and Tuesday 24th March at St Richard's, Chichester after the 6pm Mass. Confession is also available on request.

New family resources for Lent The CELEBRATE Trust have produced a new [Lent Family Pack - CELEBRATE@Home – CELEBRATE Trust](#) which includes creative ways to help families grow close to God during this season. There is also a game for children to download [Lent Game - CELEBRATE@Home – CELEBRATE Trust](#) which encourages children to focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving, in fun and interactive ways this Lent.

Join Young Adults in Chichester for Prayer and Fellowship: 24 hours of adoration this March. Young adults aged 18–30 are warmly invited to join us on Friday 13 March until Saturday 14 March, with the option to stay overnight in the parish. The 24 hours will include Mass on Friday evening and Saturday morning, Stations of the Cross as well as time for food and fellowship. Register here [24 Hours of Adoration in Chichester - Friday 13th & Saturday 14th March 2026](#) Full practical details will be shared with those who register. If you have any questions please get in touch with Olivia: olali.darby@gmail.com



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.

Washing of Feet on Holy Thursday—could you volunteer for this? We will need 12 people each to have a foot washed during the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper. E-mail arundel@abdiocese.org.uk if you are willing to undertake this or sign up on the form at the back of the Cathedral/porch in Storrington.

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 5th March. 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.

The Friends of Arundel Cathedral invite you to a talk by Adrian Waddingham on Pope Adrian IV, the only English Pope. At the Cathedral Centre on Saturday 14th March at 3pm followed by refreshments. Friends members: £10; Non-members: £15. Tickets will be available at the door by cash/credit/debit card or purchase ahead at: [Buy tickets – Friends Of Arundel Cathedral](https://www.buytickets-friends-of-arundel-cathedral.com) or contact the Administrator on aruncathfriends@btconnect.com or 01903 884567

Silver Sterlings and Sewing Bees next meet on Thursday, 26th March 10am - 12noon for general cleaning, polishing and repairs. Please join us - Tea, Coffee, chats and laughter guaranteed! All welcome

Your Cathedral Needs You! New volunteers needed to join the Sunday morning Coffee rota. Involves setting up the tables, preparing and serving tea, coffee and biscuits, and clearing up at the end. If you are interested to find out more, please ask Betsy or Adam Vernon who will ensure you get all the help and support needed to join the rota of volunteers. Betsy 07749 187 028 Adam 07845 404 801

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Applications are open, see [Lourdes Pilgrimage](https://www.lourdespilgrimage.org.uk) for more information and to apply.

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.

You are invited to join in the **World Day of Prayer Service** at St Mary's Church Sullington, RH20 4AE on Friday 6th March at 2.00pm. The programme has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Nigeria with the theme: "I will give you rest, come.". All are most welcome, parking is fairly limited so car sharing advised.

Churches Together in the Six Villages (south of Arundel) will also be celebrating this at 2.30pm on Friday March 6th in Westergate Methodist church (PO20 3RH).

Fatima Prayers The Parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley, has a long established First Saturday devotion. Join us for a special First Saturday: Saturday 7th March, 09.45—16.45 National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, along with relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco. The day includes a procession, Mass, prayer, veneration of relics, adoration and video presentation. St Peter's Church, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WG (Tea/coffee available; please bring a packed lunch) Email: adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk for more information or visit the website here: [Five First Saturdays Devotion](https://www.fivefirstsaturdays.org.uk)

Reclaiming Humanity: Attention & Love in a Fragmented World Sunday 22 March · 1:30–4:15pm at The Fitzherbert Hub, St John the Baptist Church, BN2 1AP. An afternoon Exploring Catholic Social Teaching with **Fr Toby Lees OP** a Dominican priest, moral theologian, and Priest Director of Radio Maria England. All are welcome to join early for a shared lunch at 12:45pm (please bring a packed lunch or a dish to share). No booking required. Donation only. Tea, coffee, and cake provided. More info: joanna.gilbert@abdiocese.org.uk

Socks! Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group need them! Can you pop an inexpensive value pack of socks in your next supermarket shop and help us out? We only give out new socks to people in detention and there is huge dignity in having dry feet and the luxury of new socks. Thanks so much for any help. Collection chest at the back of the Cathedral.

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Saturday 28th		2nd Sunday of Lent - Year A
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 1st		
Storrington	9.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	11.00am	Wendy Ridgeway RIP
Monday 2nd		
Cathedral	10.00am	Christopher Gore RIP
Tuesday 3rd		
Storrington	10.00am	Deceased of the Ikpoh Family
Wednesday 4th		
Cathedral	10.00am	Holy Souls
Thursday 5th		
Storrington	10.00am	People of the Parish
Storrington	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11.30am
Friday 6th		
Cathedral	9.15am	Adoration
Cathedral	10.00am	Serena Gore RIP
Saturday 7th		
Cathedral	10.00am	Andrew & Kathleen Allen; Andrew Jnr & Eamonn Bradley RIP
Cathedral	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11am
		3rd Sunday of Lent - Year A
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 8th		
Storrington	9.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	11.00am	Anthony Mumford RIP

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:
February 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

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

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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