

The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



27th Sunday, Year C - 5th October 2025

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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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My Dear Friends,

'Increase our faith!' the Apostles cry out. I imagine there have been times when each of us has prayed this prayer, with all our heart. This passage follows one where Jesus tells them that they must learn to practise radical forgiveness, so perhaps it is no wonder they felt their faith was challenged. St John Henry Newman, whose feast we celebrate this week, writes this: 'Belief, in any true sense of the word, requires a certain familiarity or intimacy of the mind with the thing believed.' Faith is about believing and trusting a person, the person of Jesus Christ; our faith grows when we spend more time with him. Spending time with the Lord is the key to an increase in faith – time in prayer, time in reading the scriptures, time in celebrating the sacraments.

Imagine that you are fortunate enough to be able to build a house for yourself. You would want to choose an architect to design it. But architects have different ideas, different styles. One might design a very fine house, but still it might not be the sort of house that you like. So, you will get to know an architect well: you will look carefully at houses he/she has built; you will discover what excites and delights him, and what big ideas guide him, as well as what little details lift his designs, and when you are sure that what pleases the architect is also what please you, you will choose him to build your house. Pope Francis said this: 'Faith does not merely gaze at Jesus, but sees things as Jesus himself sees them, with his own eyes; it is a participation in his way of seeing' (Lumen Fidei).

There is no shortcut to a deeper faith: it comes from time spent with the Lord, so that we get to know him better. What might you do this week to spend more time with him?

Have a good week,

Fr Peter Newsam

No changes to Mass times this coming week.

2nd Collections: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day collection THIS Sunday 5th October. PACT collection on Prisoners Sunday—12th October; Missio on Sunday 19th October—World Mission Sunday.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Ware's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope, or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

Please pray for Fr Alan Sharpe who died last week, he often came to supply in the parish. Also for Ray Hill (Storrington) and Nick Pope (Storrington) who both died last weekend. Nick's Requiem Mass will take place in Storrington on Wednesday 15th October at 11.30am.

Secondary School Supplementary Information Forms Any parishioners needing a form signed for their child, please come to the Cathedral Sacristy on Wednesday 15th October between 2-4pm. If you are unable to come on this date, please e-mail the parish office as soon as possible.

There will be a Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing for those who are experiencing significant ill health or frailty of old age TODAY Sunday 5th October at 2.30pm in Arundel Cathedral followed by refreshments in the Cathedral Centre.

Tuesday Drop In Next meeting this Tuesday 7 October 2 to 4pm, Lower Hall, Cathedral Centre. All welcome for tea/coffee, friendly chat, board games. Lifts available, please contact Maria on 07413 267267.

Silver Sterlings & Sewing Bees Our next get-together for general cleaning, polishing and repairs is Thursday 16th October in the Sacristy 10am - 12 noon. Please join us - Tea, Coffee, chats and laughter guaranteed!

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 is Thursday October 9th – in the lower hall at the Cathedral Centre. If you want to contact a member of the team you can e-mail them at: MOC@arundelcathedral.uk or call the Cathedral office.

Advent Small Groups Would you like to lead or host a small group during Advent? The groups will begin in the week leading up to the 1st Sunday of Advent (30th November) and continue weekly for the season. Materials are being sourced. Do you have space to **host** a group of 6-8 people? Could you offer refreshments or a simple shared meal? Perhaps you don't have space to host but would be happy to lead a group? Contact the Parish Office if you would like to offer for either role, letting us know the day and time that suits you. Group sign up will take place in a few weeks time once we know where and when groups can be offered.

Vespers and Benediction takes place on the 4th Sunday of the month at Our Lady of England Church in Storrington at 4pm. Next date: Sunday 26th October. All are welcome.

Storrington Sunday Lunch Club Every 2nd Sunday of the month (except August) at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington. Tickets are available in advance at The Village Hub or Louisa Austin shop in Church Street for £4.

2026 diaries now available in the Cathedral shop.



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.

Concert – Saturday 11th October 3.00pm Caterham School Choir will be singing a concert of sacred music. All are welcome, free entry, a collection will be taken.

Ready to pass on Paperback or Hardback books? During the month of October there will be a box at the back of the Cathedral where you can place unwanted books in good condition. These will be sold in aid of Pact (Prison Advice and Care Trust). Pact is a pioneering national charity that supports prisoners, people with convictions and their families. The annual collection for Pact takes place on Sunday 12th October. Thank you for your support.

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, Austine akeane@spcpsarundel.co.uk or call 01903 882115.

Love in a Box The annual shoebox appeal is underway. If you can fill a shoebox with gifts for a child in a country where delight is in short supply, please take a leaflet from the back of the Cathedral /porch in Storrington. The boxes will be collected from the Cathedral on **Sunday 2nd November**. The scheme is run by Mustard Seed Charity which has been operating since 1992 and sends out much needed aid to disadvantaged children and young persons in Eastern Europe.

Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 11 October 11.30am at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 8JD Come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass for us at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. Small drinks reception in the Parish Hall. Family and friends are very welcome. The church and hall are wheelchair friendly, with a number of disabled parking spaces available. Book at Marriage Anniversaries Mass (11-Oct-2025) · ChurchSuite Events Any questions about either event please contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage and Family Life Advisor E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk.

Spiritual Direction Open Morning, Saturday 11 October 10am–1pm at St Dunstan's Catholic Church, Woking GU22 7DT (no cost) Curious about spiritual direction and having someone to walk alongside you as you listen for God's voice in the middle of daily life? Spiritual direction is a gentle space to grow in your relationship with God, to notice where God is already at work, and to be encouraged in faith, hope and love. Join the network of trained spiritual directors with tea/coffee from 10am, a short talk at 10.30am and a 10–15 minute "taster session" with trained spiritual directors. All are welcome.

Sussex Catholic Education Trust The official launch of the Sussex Catholic Education Trust will be conducted by Bishop Richard Moth in Arundel on 17 October. This new charity (charity number 1211602) has been set up to benefit state Catholic schools in Sussex by providing funding to support projects which will help the schools and their pupils thrive, nurturing the high-quality education that our schools already provide. Education, especially for one-form entry primary schools, is currently chronically underfunded and as our Trust's funding grows, it will be used to provide resources, facilities and/or services which will create opportunities that inspire young minds and build strong, compassionate communities. Sadly, due to falling rolls, two of our primary schools in Sussex have recently closed. Our schools are seen as an integral part of the Bishop's pastoral plan and play a significant role in turning the vision of the Church's mission on Earth into reality so our aim is to do all we can to support our Catholic schools to continue to flourish. If you are interested in supporting this new charity, you can use the donate page on the charity's website W: Home - Sussex Catholic Education Trust to provide funding. If you wish to offer your expertise and services in other ways to our Trust, please contact the Trust Secretary at E: secretary@sussexcatholiceducationtrust.org.uk. We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your generosity.

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Saturday 4th		27th Sunday, Year C
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 5th		
Storrington	9.00am	Elizabeth Underwood RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Minnie Paradine RIP
Cathedral	2.30pm	Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing
Monday 6th		St Bruno
Cathedral	10.00am	Cathy McAllister RIP & the consolation of her family
Tuesday 7th		Our Lady of the Rosary
Storrington	10.00am	Pandora de Zulueta RIP
Wednesday 8th		
Cathedral	10.00am	For the intentions of Nora Mullins
Thursday 9th		St John Henry Newman, Priest
Storrington	10.00am	People of the Parish
Storrington	10.30am	Confessions & Adoration to 11.30am
Friday 10th		
Cathedral	9.15am	Adoration
Cathedral	10.00am	Glenys Margarita Strudwick RIP
Saturday 11th		St John XXIII, Pope
Cathedral	10.00am	Ray and Ivan Weatherley RIP
Cathedral	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11am
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Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 12th		
Storrington	9.00am	Margot, Edward , Maurice & Allan Crew RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Bettie Hale RIP & deceased family

Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington

Mon - Frid: Adoration 6pm-6:30pm in 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

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 from September, as follows: 11 & 25 Oct; 8 & 22 Nov; 6 & 20 Dec.

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

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.