



The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



18th Sunday, Year C - 3rd August 2025

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Our Churches	<p>The Cathedral Church of Our Lady and St Philip Howard, London Road, Arundel, BN18 9AY Our Lady of England, School Lane, Storrington, RH20 4LN Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush, Arundel, BN18 9PJ</p>		
Live Stream	<p>Masses from the Cathedral are livestreamed and are available via the Cathedral website www.arundelcathedral.uk or https://www.churchservices.tv/arundel</p>		
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The clear message of all our Scriptures today is that riches just don't make you happy. The author of Ecclesiastes keeps lamenting, "Vanity of vanities! All is vanity!" In other words, everything's pointless, nothing brings him any real joy or peace of heart. In the Gospel parable the rich man says, "Eat, drink, be merry", but God says to him, "Fool!" Between them St Paul exhorts us to set our minds on things that are above, not things on earth.

Looking a little deeper, the unhappy people in today's readings don't have any friends; they don't have love; they're alone. The writer of Ecclesiastes begrudges his possessions even to those who will eventually inherit them—his wife and children. What a grumpy old so-and-so! The rich man in the parable doesn't think of his family either, let alone the poor. He has to talk to himself: "I will say to my soul ..." Finally, the man who approaches Jesus at the beginning of the Gospel, saying, "Tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me", obviously doesn't have any real relationship with that brother—or with Jesus! He just callously orders them both around.

Covetousness—the consuming desire for money and possessions—it would seem doesn't in the end deliver the happiness it promises. It is like a smouldering fire, ultimately consuming everything in its path: love, friendship, care for the poor, family relationships, and most especially love for God. No wonder God has to say "Fool!" to those wander in that direction. No wonder St Paul calls it idolatry—a false religion. ... By the way, what is the implicit religion of our consumerist society?

God bless, Fr Stephen

No changes to Mass times this week.

Please remember in your prayers Caroline Marshall (Arundel) who died recently. Her funeral will take place on Thursday 7th August at 3pm in St Richard's Church in Slindon. Also for John Fisher (ex Storrington) who died recently, no funeral details as yet.

Mothers Prayers this Thursday at 2pm in Our Lady of England, Storrington. All welcome.

Storrington work to the stonework around the porch window and to the cemetery gate is due to be undertaken in August. The path around the side of the porch will remain closed until then. Thank you for your patience, we are proceeding with this as fast as we are able.

Tea Outing Tuesday 12 August at Riverside Tea Room, Amberley. Enjoy tea and cake by the river. All welcome. Cost £5 per person. Transport can be arranged. Please contact Maria on 07413 267267 for further details or to book by 6 August.

September Drop-In takes place on Tuesday 2nd September in the lower hall at the Cathedral Centre. All are welcome for tea, coffee, chat, games and friendship.

Liturgy of the Word with Children will take a break during August, returning in both churches in September. Watch the newsletter nearer the time for next dates.

Proclaimer articles are online and will be put together into the finished magazine next month. You can find them at: [Proclaimer Live – Arundel Cathedral](#)

Pilgrimage Walk in honour of St Philip Howard Saturday 27 September at 10am to pray and reflect on his life and witness and our own journey through life. Join the Friends of Arundel Cathedral to walk along the west bank of the River Arun from Littlehampton, where St Philip Howard was arrested, to his shrine at Arundel Cathedral for Benediction at 3pm. All welcome. Contact Lindsey Stratford on 01903 884567 or see [Arundel Cathedral Friends – The Friends Of Arundel Cathedral](#)

Parish Health & Safety Representative Arundel parish is looking for a competent individual who can give attention to health and safety matters in the parish. Some buildings or health and safety experience would be ideal but training and resources are available. This is a volunteer role and would need someone who could be on site at least once a fortnight and who can access a computer for the admin aspects of the role. Do you have some time? Further details about the role available from Louise in the parish office.

Diocesan Events coming up in the autumn:

Building the Domestic Church – Saturday 4 October at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley To book a place follow this link [Building the Domestic Church \(04-Oct-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) or you can book through the events page on the Diocesan website. **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

Food Collection There is a box at the back of the Cathedral 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.

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



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.

The Diocesan is advertising two vacancies:

Head of Finance, full-time, permanent, salary: £60,000 to £65,000 based at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley (on site). Application deadline: 18 August 2025 at 5pm. Interviews: 26 August 2025

The successful applicant will oversee the support of cloud-based reporting for 80 parish sites and the delivery of timely, accurate management accounts for central operations based at our Crawley site.

Communications Officer, part-time, permanent, salary: £17,500 for 0.5 FTE (Based on a full-time salary of £35,000) based in Crawley, with hybrid working & travel across the Diocese required. Application deadline: 13 August 2025 at 5pm. Interviews: 19 August 2025. The successful applicant will attend events, and produce and edit accurate, well-written online and offline content across diocesan platforms, telling the Church's story and its contribution to society.

To find out more about either post and to apply, go to the Diocesan website: [Careers | Arundel & Brighton Diocese](#)

St Richard's Church Chichester invite you to a talk on **The Shroud of Turin** - Wednesday 6 August, 7.30pm (following 7pm Mass). Presentation including brief history of the Shroud and a short film with up-to-date research on the image itself and its date. All most welcome for talk and refreshments.

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage 2025 "Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope" 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 [2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope – Join Us, and Spread the Word | Pilgrims Live!](#) and visit the Pilgrims Live website. The pilgrims will visit the Cathedral on Monday 18th August about 1.15pm and invite parishioners to join them in prayer.

Sussex Historic Churches Trust (SHCT) encourage churches to open their doors for this year's Ride + Stride event on Saturday 13 September. If someone raises money and takes part in Ride + Stride from our parish, 50% of any funds raised come to us and 50% go to SHCT to help fund their grant work. This is a wonderful opportunity to welcome visitors, raise funds for our church, and support the Trust's vital work. To find out more visit: [Info for Participants | SHCT](#) It would be lovely to have a few people around at the Cathedral and in Storrington to welcome people that day, if you can help, please let Louise know in the parish office.

'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 25 September, 9 October, 23 October, 6 November and 20 November 2025. Explore your life now and in the future. It's never too late. God called Abraham when he was 75! Contact: Felicity Hadley email storrington@chemin-neuf.org or more details at: [Abraham - Chemin Neuf UK](#)

The Pilgrimage of Hope is a national walking pilgrimage for England & Wales with four main Ways converging at the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, on Saturday 13 September 2025, the eve of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It is an initiative of the Hearts in Search of God project. It is now possible for pilgrims to register for day stages. [Pilgrimage Walk | The Pilgrimage of Hope](#)

A Morning of Hope: Local Charity Brings West Africa Closer to Surrey Hearts

The Guildford & District Knights of St Columba warmly invite the public to an inspiring morning talk, *From Godalming to Burkina Faso*, on Saturday 20 September 2025, from 10.30am to 11.45am at Our Lady Help of Christians Roman Catholic Church, West Byfleet. This uplifting event will feature Gillie Nicholls-Penny, founder of *Les Amis Burkina Faso*, a remarkable Godalming based charity offering vital support to some of the world's poorest communities. Tickets are just £5 and advance booking is encouraged at [TicketSource - Discover Great Events & Things To Do Near You](#) (search 'Burkina Faso'). All proceeds directly support the charity's transformative work.

Marriage Help - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage.-Next date: 17th-19th Oct. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 0788 7296983

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK

Saturday 2nd		
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 3rd		18th Sunday, Year C
Storrington	9.00am	Nora & Luigi Ruggiero RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Frank & Cecilia Ford RIP
Monday 4th		St John Mary Vianney, Priest
Cathedral	10.00am	Stephen Cole RIP
Tuesday 5th		
Storrington	10.00am	Frances Akah RIP
Wednesday 6th		The Transfiguration of the Lord
Cathedral	10.00am	Agnes Breen RIP
Thursday 7th		
Storrington	10.00am	People of the Parish
Storrington	10.30am	Confessions & Adoration to 11.30am
Friday 8th		St Dominic, Priest
Cathedral	9.15am	Adoration to 9.45am
Cathedral	10.00am	Louise Felix RIP
Saturday 9th		St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Cathedral	10.00am	Intentions of Fr Ian Vane
Cathedral	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11am
		19th Sunday, Year C
Cathedral	5.00pm	Valerie McDermott RIP (1st Anniv.)
Sunday 10th		
Storrington	9.00am	Noel Ragget RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	People of the Parish

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 (taking a break in August).
 At Arundel this will take place at **5.00pm Mass** twice a month from September, dates to follow.
 All are welcome at either place.

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.

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