



**The Catholic Community of
Arundel & Storrington
3rd Sunday of Lent, Year A
8th March 2026**



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In Lent we focus on the true meaning of human existence through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. This Lent major events in our world and our country—literally matters of life and death—call for our urgent prayer. Last Sunday Pope Leo said:

I am following with deep concern what is happening in the Middle East and in Iran during this tumultuous time. Stability and peace are not achieved through mutual threats, nor through the use of weapons, which sow destruction, suffering, and death, but only through reasonable, sincere, and responsible dialogue.

Faced with the possibility of a tragedy of immense proportions, I make a heartfelt appeal to all the parties involved to assume the moral responsibility of halting the spiral of violence before it becomes an unbridgeable chasm. May diplomacy regain its proper role, and may the well-being of peoples, who yearn for peaceful existence founded on justice, be upheld. And let us continue to pray for peace.

And Archbishop John Sherrington, lead bishop for Life issues in England and Wales, writes:

I especially ask your prayers for those who are suffering near the end of their lives and for those who care for them. We are facing the threat of a profound change in our culture which would happen if assisted suicide were to be legalised. ... This bill is wrong in principle as assisted suicide is the direct taking of life. In practice, the bill is a threat to truly compassionate care at the end of life. ... The conscience clauses are also woefully inadequate. Moreover ... assisted suicide will put the lives of the vulnerable at risk.

This Lent, we can support Parliamentarians through our prayers. In doing so, let us ask for the intercession of St Thomas More and that of Our Lady.

God bless, Fr Stephen

Changes to Masses this coming week: on Wednesday the 10am Mass in Arundel is replaced by the Requiem Mass for Geraldine Hennon at 12.30pm.

Weekday Mass has returned to the main body of the church and will be live streamed. Recordings of these Masses will be available for 7 days.

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

2nd Collection THIS WEEKEND—HCPT Group 154 HCPT – Hosanna House Pilgrimage Trust Our local HCPT Group 154 has been accompanying children with disabilities on HCPT's annual Easter pilgrimage to Lourdes. The helpers are volunteers from the Cathedral deanery parishes, and the children are from St Philip Howard school, Barnham. Your help is needed:

Prayer – please pray for the children and adults in Group 154. For many of these children, this is their first trip without their parents. Pray that they will have the openness of heart to respond to the good news of Jesus.

Money – this pilgrimage is our gift as Church to these children and their families. Every child's fare costs £1,500; we are accompanying four children. We cover the cost of our nurse and Chaplain (£1,000 per adult) and subsidise helpers who are undergraduate students. The approximate cost is £15,000. To help us achieve our target, we need to raise a further £5,000. Donations can be made: Online:

www.hcpt.org.uk/payment; Cheque: made payable to HCPT 154 mailed to HCPT, Oakfield Park, Bilton Road, Rugby, CV22 7HQ; Bank Transfers: email group154@hcpt.org.uk or you can contribute via the 2nd collection this weekend and on the donation devices.

You can follow the progress of our pilgrimage at facebook.com/hcptgroup154

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.

Stations of the Cross on Friday 6th March in the Cathedral and Friday 13th March at St Nicholas'. In Storrington this will take place after 10am Mass on a Tuesday.

Ecumenical Lent Course - Christians in Storrington Shared Lent Course began last Saturday and continues through Lent on Saturdays from 9am (Croissant and Coffee) 9.30am - 10.45am (Course) More details and to register text Jonathan 07538 011579 or email frj.stmary@gmail.com **All are welcome.**

Mothering Sunday Treats. Please come along to the Cathedral Centre on Sunday 15th March after the 11.00am Mass with all the family for coffee and good conversation, along with some Mother's Day treats!

Tuesday Drop In Next meeting: Tuesday 17 March at the Cathedral Centre, 2 to 4pm, All welcome for tea/coffee, friendly chat, board games. Lifts available, please contact Maria on 07413 267267.

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

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 or contact the Administrator on aruncathfriends@btconnect.com or 01903 884567



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.

Join Young Adults in Chichester for Prayer and Fellowship: 24 hours of adoration. 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

The Sacred Paschal Triduum will be celebrated in the Cathedral for both Arundel and Storrington communities as follows:

Maundy Thursday 2nd April 8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with washing of feet, followed by watching at the Altar of Repose, ending with Compline at 11.50pm.

Good Friday 3rd April 3.00pm The Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday 4th April 8.30pm The Solemn Vigil of Easter (first Mass of Easter).

Easter Sunday Morning Masses will take place at 9am in Storrington and 11am in Arundel on Sunday 5th April.

Further details of Prayers, Vespers and Confessions available next week.

Our Lady of England Children's Liturgy Group Easter Egg Hunt 2026 After 9.00am Mass in Storrington on Easter Sunday as we continue to celebrate the Risen Lord, enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt with other families in the cloister garden. Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer. All are welcome. Book in by 23rd March at [Storrington Easter Egg Hunt \(05-Apr-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

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.

Advance Notice: Parish Course on Pope Francis's encyclical Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel). This encyclical will be read through and discussed over six Saturday mornings at Our Lady of England, Storrington commencing 18 April. Sessions will be from 10-11.30 am with tea and coffee available. Evangelii Gaudium was a key mission statement of Pope Francis, and Pope Leo declared his intention to follow Francis's programme and specifically this book in his address to cardinals two days after his election. Its importance to parishes is becoming increasingly recognised. Everyone is welcome, if you wish to take part please let Louise in the parish office know so that copies of the book can be ordered.

Pray for parliamentarians and for a culture of life, In a Lenten statement, the Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Reverend John Sherrington, clarified the Church's principled objection to the Terminally Ill (Adults) End of Life Bill, and urged Catholics to pray for parliamentarians debating the Private Members' Bill in the House of Lords. Archbishop Sherrington, the Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Bishops' Conference, asked for a special prayerful focus on those who are suffering near the end of their lives and those who care for them. [Pray for parliamentarians and for a culture of life, says Archbishop in Lenten statement - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#)

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		Prayers For The Sick
Saturday 7th Cathedral 5.00pm	3rd Sunday of Lent - Year A People of the Parish	Your prayers are asked for all who are unwell at this time, those at home, in hospital, hospices and in care homes.
Sunday 8th Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	People of the Parish Anthony Mumford RIP	Sacrament of the Sick Please contact Fr Stephen Tel 01903 882297 Other local parishes: Petworth: 01798 342169 Bognor: 01243 823619 Chichester 01243 782343
Monday 9th Cathedral 10.00am	John Hennon RIP	 Requiem in Aeternum Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.
Tuesday 10th Storrington 10.00am 10.40am	People of the Parish Stations of the Cross	
Wednesday 11th Cathedral <u>12.30pm</u>	Requiem for Geraldine Hennon RIP	Coffee & Tea After 9.00am Mass at Storrington After 11.00am Mass at Arundel
Thursday 12th Storrington 10.00am Storrington 10.30am	Intentions of the Crowleys Confessions and Adoration to 11.30am	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: March 7th & 21st; April 11th & 25th
Friday 13th Cathedral 9.15am Cathedral 10.00am Arundel 7.00pm	Adoration Michael Bull RIP Stations of the Cross—St Nicholas'	Music at Mass  9.00am Mass Music Group at Storrington—all welcome to rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in the church.
Saturday 14th Cathedral 10.00am Cathedral 10.30am Cathedral 5.00pm	Vera Perkins RIP Confessions and Adoration to 11am 4th 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent - Year A Luke Manning RIP	Rosary Wednesdays 7.00pm - Storrington Mondays after 10am Mass - Arundel First Saturday of the month 9.15am - Arundel
Sunday 15th Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Daniel & Mary Cleary RIP People of the Parish	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.
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		

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