



The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington



Solemnity: St Philip Howard, 19th October 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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This Sunday is the feast day of St Philip Howard, the co-titular of our Cathedral and the co-principal patron of our diocese. We are tremendously blessed to have the shrine containing his mortal remains in our Cathedral.

But why do the relics of the Saints matter? Firstly, they remind us of the reality of the Saints. They were not just mythical figures but real people—as real as you and me. Their lives are not fairy tales but genuine history. And therefore the wonderful things they did are also possible for us. Many of the Saints suffered greatly for their faith in Jesus—most definitely including St Philip. Their relics remind us of that too, and encourage us to be courageous in our witness to the truth and teachings of Jesus.

Relics can give us a real sense of closeness with the Saints. They can encourage us to authentic devotion to them. We certainly don't worship the Saints—they are only human beings, not God, who alone is to be worshipped. But we are united to them in the "Communion of the Saints"—that bond which draws all the members of the Church, on earth, in purgatory and in heaven, into spiritual friendship centred on Jesus Himself. So the Saints have a real love for us, and pray powerfully for us. Finally the relics of the Saints remind us of our great hope that at the end of the world we will all rise from the dead to share the risen life of Jesus for all eternity.

What a wonderful prelude we have to the celebration of All Saints in a couple of weeks' time, and a great reminder that Halloween is really the Eve of All Hallows' (All Saints') Day.

God bless, Fr Stephen

There are no changes to Mass times this coming week.

This Sunday 19th October, we celebrate the Solemnity of St Philip Howard at all Masses. The readings are: Wisdom 3: 1-9; Psalm 31; 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 10:17-22.

2nd Collections: Missio collection on Sunday 19th October—World Mission Sunday.

World Mission Sunday is celebrated this weekend. By supporting Missio – the Pope’s charity for world mission – we stand united as God’s global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God’s compassion, peace and justice to those in need. To donate, use the Missio envelope in church, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

The Missionaries of Africa (a.k.a. The White Fathers) will be making an appeal in the parish on 25/26 October, we look forward to welcoming Fr Hugh Seenan. The Missionaries of Africa are an international team of priests, brothers and lay associates from Africa, Britain and many other countries around the world. Through parish work, building up small Christian communities, working with the media, involvement in justice and peace, agriculture, seminary training, education and social welfare the Missionaries of Africa aim to work in partnership with the Church in Africa and above all to help build up the leadership of Churches. You can donate via a second collection on 25/26 October or online at: www.missionariesofafrica.org.uk/donations or transfer directly to their bank account: Account Name: Society of Missionaries of Africa; Account Number: 82296731; Sort Code: 60 21 07; Reference: Arundel/Storrington.

Please pray for Jo Hamson (Storrington) and Margot Edgcumbe-Rendle (Storrington) who died recently, funeral details to come and for Ray Hill (Storrington) whose Requiem Mass will take place on Friday 31st October at 1pm. Also for Rt Rev Kevin Taggart OSB of Worth Abbey who died this week in his 95th year and for Fr John Horn who also died this week.

Advent Small Groups Sign up from this weekend! If you would like to join an Advent faith sharing group for four weeks, sign up from this weekend. Thank you to those who have offered to host. We are still short of a few leaders both in Arundel and Storrington—could you lead a group? The leader simply starts the meetings, ensures everyone has an opportunity to speak if they wish, and gently steers back to the topic if the discussions move away. Could you do this? Guidelines will be provided as well as materials to aid the discussion. Contact the Parish Office if you can help.

First Reconciliation & First Communion Application Forms for 2026 are now available at the back of the Cathedral and in the porch at Storrington. Parents of children in school year 3 or above who wish to begin receiving Holy communion in 2026 should complete a form and return it to the parish office as soon as possible. Meetings are scheduled to begin in January on Thursday afternoons. If you have any questions, please contact the Cathedral Office on arundel@abdiocese.org.uk or 01903 882297.

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. Thank you for your support.

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.

Parishioners Lizzie & David Cousins invite you join them for Mass on Saturday 25th October 2.30pm in the Cathedral when David will be received into the Church and their marriage will be convalidated. All are welcome.



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.

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.

Proclaimer 2025 We are beginning to put the next edition of the Proclaimer together and would very much welcome articles, poems, news and items of interest from you all. They need to be in Word if possible, with photos separately, and not more than 1,000 words approximately. The last date for receiving copy is 30th November. Please send to melindaheathcote1@outlook.com We plan to publish this edition in late December. If you have not already signed up for a printed copy, please do so via the Cathedral Office - the cost is £10 per annum for the two editions. All articles will go online once received and formatted, and then incorporated into the magazine.

Missio Red Boxes It's time for the annual collection of your Red Boxes - your collector will contact you in the next couple of weeks. Remember, "MISSIO ignites God's love by helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief." If you would like a Red Box, or wish to contribute, contact Pat East 07547-088675 for Storrington and Frances Challen for Arundel.

November Book of the Remembrance Storrington: If you would like the name of someone who has died written into the book which will be on display in the church during November, please complete a green slip in the porch and post it into the Mass intentions box. Arundel: there is a book of memorial on the Ministry of Consolation table in the north aisle, please feel free to write the names of those who have died into this book. You will also find a book in St Wilfrid's Chapel which displays the names of members of the parish who have died, by date.

Day at Chichester Cathedral Saturday 1st November Parishioners are invited to join a small group of Arundel Catenians at Chichester Cathedral starting with Mass 10am, a tour of the Cathedral with Dean Edmund followed by Deacon Roger Stone leading us in reflection of "The Cloud of Witnesses (Hebrews 12:1)". The day ends with Sung Evensong at 5.30pm. Cost £20. For further details contact Graham Monet graham.lindamonet@sky.com

St Philip Howard Sixth Form Open Evening - Thursday, 6 November 2025 (6.00pm – 8.00pm) Please register your interest in attending at: <https://www.sphsixthform.co.uk/>. The Welcome Talk will be in the Main Hall at 6pm, followed by subject-specific talks in classrooms at 6.30, 6.50, 7.10 and 7.30. There will be students on hand to take you to these talks and answer any questions you may have.

Saint John Henry Newman will be officially proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV will officially proclaimed the 38th Doctor of the Church during Mass on Saturday, 1 November. There are a series of useful articles explaining what a 'Doctor of the Church' is and why Saint John Henry Newman's teaching and wisdom not only resonated with his contemporaries, but still illuminates, instructs and inspires us today. [St John Henry Newman - Doctor of the Church - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#)

BBC Choral Evensong Recording A service of Vespers sung by the Cathedral Choir will be recorded in the Cathedral on Thursday 13th November for broadcast on Radio 3 on 3rd December. Would you like to be in the congregation for this? It would be lovely to have a good sized congregation participating in this. You would need to be seated from 4.40pm with the recording taking place from 5-6pm. Please note that entry/exit from the Cathedral during the recording period will not be possible and movement in and out of pews during the recording may be problematic, so if you're not someone who can be seated quietly in excess of an hour, this may not be for you! Let us know you're coming at: arundel@abdiocese.org.uk or 01903 882297 so we have an idea of numbers.

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Saturday 18th		St Philip Howard, Martyr, Patron of the Diocese
Cathedral	5.00pm	William Henry RIP
Sunday 19th		
Storrington	9.00am	Maureen McGovern RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral	3.00pm	Celebrant's Intention
Monday 20th		
Cathedral	10.00am	Special Intention
Tuesday 21st		
Storrington	10.00am	Intentions of Rev. Jonathon Swindells
Wednesday 22nd		St John Paul II, Pope
Cathedral	10.00am	The Im Family RIP
Thursday 23rd		
Storrington	10.00am	Clare Tame RIP
Storrington	10.30am	Confessions & Adoration to 11.30am
Friday 24th		
Cathedral	9.15am	Adoration
Cathedral	10.00am	Deceased Members of the O'Dea Fmly
Saturday 25th		Our Lady on Saturday
Cathedral	10.00am	Rt. Rev. Kevin Taggart OSB RIP
Cathedral	10.30am	Confessions and Adoration to 11am
Cathedral	2.30pm	Mass of Reception and Convalidation
		30th Sunday, Year C
Cathedral	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 26th		
Storrington	9.00am	Charles Littledale RIP
Cathedral	11.00am	Albert Paradine RIP

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 as follows:
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.

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