

Sunday 10th August 2025,
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gloria
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9
That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalms Response
Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable

grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, ‘Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.’ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia.
Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48
At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

‘Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

Peter said, ‘Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for all?’ And the Lord said, ‘Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his

household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that servant says to himself, ‘My master is delayed in coming’, and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his master’s will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.’ The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow during the next three lines) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Brighton and Hove Deanery: Western Churches
Sacred Heart; St George’s & St Theresa’s; St Mary Magdalen’s; St Peter’s
Canon Colin Wolczak; Fr Tony Milner (on sabbatical); Canon David Parmiter
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Canon David Writes...		Mass Schedule	
We all need some words of encouragement from time to time and our readings this week offer us support during this holiday season. Our first reading recalls the action of God leading the people of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land. This event happened during the night, a time of day which can be interpreted in different ways. Perhaps for us as we continue to receive news of war, conflict and terrible suffering along with difficult economic times, we kindle our hope that the ‘darkness’ does not prevent God from acting in setting people free to serve him. We ask him to act in the ‘nighttime’s’ of our lives and of the world in general to help all to serve him in freedom.	Sat 9	Aug	St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
	6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
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	Sun 10	Aug	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8.30 am	SP	People of the Parish
	9.00	ST	Marie Berry RIP
	9.30	SH	Ada Mitchell RIP
	9:30	SMM	People of the Parish
	10.00	SP	People of the Parish
	11.00	SG	Thanksgiving
The second reading sets before us the faith of Abraham and Sarah following the affirmation that ‘Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.’ This reading narrates how they believed in God’s promises even though they seemed impossible to realise by human reckoning: ‘By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised.’ At times our circumstances and condition in life leads us to doubt that we can have a part in the coming of the kingdom. As an illustration, young people can feel they are too young and the old too old. When God calls someone for a particular role, the rest of us are asked to support, guide, encourage and pray. I was delighted with the support Fr Scott received from our community of faith during his placement here in Brighton and at his ordination.	11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
	11.30	SH	John Manchett Int
	11.30	SP	Lucia Palazzo RIP
	5.00 pm	SP	Brazilian Mass
	5.00	SMM	People of the Parish
	Mon 11	Aug	St Clare
	10.00 am †	SH	Eileen Harrington RIP
	Tue 12	Aug	St Jane Frances de Chantal
	10.00 am	SG	NO MASS
	10.00 †	SH	Clifford Canavan RIP
For the Gospel promotes the idea that we should be active in service to the kingdom of God. It is present already, but when Jesus comes again it will be fully realised. In the meantime, we are to build towards that time with the strength of the Holy Spirit. We are to wait and serve faithfully even though we do not know the time when the ‘master will return’. However, we can be encouraged and strengthened with these words of the Lord: ‘Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.’	10.00	SP	Hazel Ann Hare
	10.00	ST	All Parishioners
	7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
	Wed 13	Aug	Ss Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus
	8.00am	SH	Holy Souls
	10.00	SP	Reginald Bradley RIP
	7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
	Thurs 14	Aug	St Maximillian Kolbe
	10.00am	SP	
	10.00 ‡	SG	NO MASS
Head of Finance, full-time, permanent Salary: £60,000 to £65,000 Location: The St Philip Howard Centre Application deadline: 18/08/25, 5pm Interviews: 26/08/25 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. You will have a key role in providing high-quality financial reporting to our Trustees and Diocesan Finance Committee (DFC). You'll also lead the team in producing statutory audited accounts, acting as	12 noon †	SH	Ivan D'Souza RIP
	7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
	Fri 15	Aug	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	8.00 am	SH	Holy Souls
	10.00 †	SH	Vanessa Pires RIP
	10:00	SP	People of the Parish
	6.30 pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
	7.00	ST	All Parishioners
	Sat 16	Aug	St Stephen of Hungary
	6.00pm †	SH	Anthony John Reynolds RIP
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	Sun 17	Aug	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8.30 am	SP	Angela & Peter Fishenden 30th wedding anniversary
	9.00	ST	Marie Berry RIP
	9.30	SH	Canon Colin's Ints.
	9:30	SMM	People of the Parish
	10.00	SP	People of the Parish
	11.00	SG	Mary Spencer 90th birthday
	11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
	11.30	SH	People of the Parish
SH: Sacred Heart; SG: St George’s SMM: St Mary Magdalene’s SP: St Peter’s; ST: St Theresa of Lisieux † Adoration before. ‡ Adoration after	11.30	SP	Stanislaw Szczerbiak RIP
	5.00 pm	SP	Brazilian Mass
	5.00	SMM	People of the Parish



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Regular Events



Sycamore Renewed—A Monday evening welcome
Monday Evenings at St Peter’s
We have recommenced our evenings together at St Peter’s Church Hall and each of you are most welcome to join us from 7pm this Monday. We will gather and chat over a bite to eat then watch and discuss the Sycamore film ‘The Light of Christ’ presented by Father Stephen Wang (pictured above). Summertime is busy but do consider how much more fruitful our evenings would be if you were there sharing your own life and faith experiences with your friends and fellow parishioners!
We climb the sycamore tree together so that we can see Jesus more clearly, love him more dearly and follow him more nearly.
Fellowship in Faith.
You are most welcome.

Sacred Heart Prayer Group
Every Tuesday after Mass at 10:30am,
SH Parish Room. All Welcome. You may leave prayer requests in the box at the back of the Church.

Weekly Reconciliation
5:15-5:45pm before Mass
every Saturday at Sacred Heart, and also at St Peter’s.

St George’s Tea and Chat
12th & 26th Aug, Parish Hall
After 10am Mass at St George's, offering a time of socialisation and activity, aimed at older people in the parish. No need to book. Just turn up! Occasionally there will be no 10am Mass on Tuesday, however Tea & Chat will still take place, starting at 10:30am in the hall.

Sacred Heart SVP Social Group
Thursdays at 12:30pm after Mass
For all parishioners. Soup, sandwiches, tea, and cakes. Entertainment - quizzes etc. The previously mentioned August date is cancelled, and the next dates will be 11th September & 25th September, and every 2 weeks thereafter. All Welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration
Fridays, 5:30pm, SMM
Every Friday at St Mary Magdalen Church. The Church opens 4pm, with Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament 5:30-6:30pm. Come and spend time in prayer with us, interceding for our city, parish and our loved ones, now with confession.

Other Events / Notices

Polish Mass at St George's
No Polish Mass in August (Saturdays at 6:30pm). I will come back in September! Best wishes, Fr Tadeusz.

St Peter’s Church Opening Times
We have taken the decision to close the church after 10am Mass during the week due to safeguarding reasons. We have always tried to remain open until later afternoon for quiet reflection and prayer, but this is proving difficult of late so for the next few weeks we shall close after Mass. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to ask Canon David or speak to the office.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday 15th August, Mass at 6:30pm,
at St Mary Mags

2025-2026 Sacramental Programmes
Application Forms – For All Churches
First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and RCIA Application Forms, for the 2025-2026 programmes are now available to pick up from your church, parish office, or website. Please be prompt in returning your forms before

the deadlines that are stated on the forms. Any late applications may not be considered for this year’s programmes.

Walk the Augustine Camino for Mary’s Meals
Monday 1st September – Sunday 8th September 2025. Join us for the whole pilgrimage or walk with us for a day. During this Jubilee Year we would be delighted if you joined us as Pilgrims of Hope on some or all the Augustine Camino, starting at Rochester Cathedral and finishing at the Shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. The pilgrimage will take us to four of the designated Jubilee churches and shrines in the area:

- The Friars, Aylesford
 - St Jude’s Shrine, Faversham
 - St Thomas of Canterbury, Canterbury
 - St Augustine’s Shrine, Ramsgate
- To find out more details or to book your place on the pilgrimage, please contact Roy Peachey, the Mary’s Meals Supporter Engagement Officer for Kent, Surrey, Sussex and South London, on roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk or 07593 447297.

Couples for Christ—Christian Life Program - Brighton 2025
Couples for Christ invite you to a new programme over 8 consecutive Sundays from **7th September—26th October**. 1—5pm at the Fitzherbert Community Hub. Register by [clicking here](#) - or contact Bro Anton 07455 979939 or Sr Judith 07359 068097.

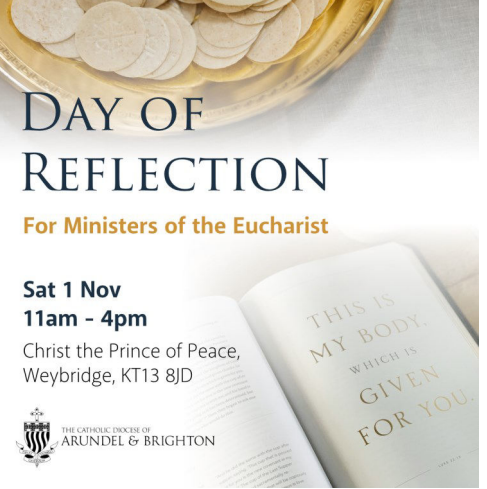
Photography
28th September, 9:30am Mass
There will be a photographer attending Mass at the Sacred Heart on Sunday 28th September, 9:30am to capture imagery for use on our new parish website and parish and diocesan digital and print channels. If you would prefer not to be photographed, please let the priest know beforehand, so that we can ensure you are not pictured by the photographer. All photos will be captured on behalf of The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton in accordance with their privacy policy which can be found on the diocesan website: www.abdiocese.org.uk.

A Day with Mary
Tuesday 30th September - FREE
Join us spending a beautiful day with

our Blessed Mother Mary at Arundel Cathedral. Minibus leaves from St Mary Magdalen's, Brighton, at 07:30am, comes back at 3:30pm. Includes time for personal prayer, Holy Mass and adoration. Bring your own packed lunch and your rosary!

St Peter's Archive
For baptism, or confirmation certificates, please email: SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com.

Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Eucharist
11-4pm Saturday 1st November at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge



Appeal for transport to & from Mass St Theresa’s
We have a parishioner from Southwick who needs help getting to St Theresa's for Mass on Sundays. Please let the office know if you can help.

Newsletter by email
If you would like to receive a copy of the newsletter to your inbox each week, email Lisa, Sacred Heart Secretary: hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk to be added to the distribution list, this list is for all our churches.

Children’s Liturgy at St Peter's
is now taking a break until Sunday 14th September, many thanks to all our wonderful volunteers for giving their time for this important ministry. We are looking for more help. If you would like to volunteer, please do not hesitate to contact the office. A quick reminder that Children’s liturgy takes place on a term time only basis. Children are welcome up to secondary school age, those of secondary school age are to be encouraged to stay in the Mass. If the ratio of adults to children

are not sufficient, we will have to ask some parents to join the group at that point in the Mass before the children go out. If parents do not come forward, the liturgy will not be able to take place.

Music at St Peter’s
Our choirs are taking a well deserved break over the summer and will be back again in September, thank you to them for providing us with such joyful and uplifting singing and music.

Fundraising / Giving

St Peter’s Offertory Collection:
27/07/25 = £1,326
03/08/25 = £1,440

ESSA Curry Evening
Karla would like to thank everyone who attended the Curry Evening. A big thank you for all the donations raised which amounted to £1,740. Thank you for your support and may God bless you.

Special Collections 2025
14th September; Education Sunday
21st September; Evangelii Gaudium
28th September; SVP at SG & ST

Easyfundraising
Sign up and shop via the easyfundraising website when you are shopping with over 7,500 brands including eBay, Tesco, M&S, & more!
Our Lady Star of the Sea
easyfundraising.org.uk/the-catholic-parish-of-our-lady-star-of-the-sea/
Sacred Heart:
www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sacred-heart-church-hove/
Please also download the donation reminder www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/ which can be installed on your device and will alert you when a website provides donations when you shop online.

SVP Cash4Coins
The SVP would like to thank everyone who has donated so far! Now that summer holidays are upon us, please remember us for any leftover currency you may have when you get home. We can collect: **All foreign coins and banknotes; Current UK coins and banknotes; Any old British and Irish money; and Obsolete currency, such as pre-decimal.** Working with Cash4Coins, a currency service for charities, all the above can be converted into UK legal

tender for the benefit of the SVP both locally and to support the wider work of the Society. There are collection jars at St George’s, St Theresa’s, and St Peter’s.

Hangleton & W. Blatchington Food Bank
If you would like to donate to the foodbank we would be grateful for:
Tinned Chickpeas, Long Life Orinage Juice, Tuna, Laundry Capsules, Shaving Gel & Razors.

We currently have a HUGE stock of soup so please don’t buy us anymore! Donations may be brought to the hall on Wednesdays between 10.30 and 11.45 or dropped into the collection bins in the One Stop in Court Farm Road, Books Alive in Elm Drive or in Hove Waitrose, or at any of our churches. Thank you. Please note, **we will be closed on Wednesday 20th August**, to give our staff and volunteers a much needed holiday. We will be open again as usual on Wednesday 27th August 2025.

St Peter’s Super Sale

Toiletries, Vintage Gifts, Bric-a-Brac, New Goods, Most Things Under £1!

Sunday 10th August

After 10am Mass & 11:30am Mass, in the Hall

Please support this for Kids for Kids Charity

Please pray for...
Bob & Elena White, Canon Colin Wolczak, Cathy Howes, Cheryl Evans, Rex Curd, Theresa Price (Nee Maguire), Tom Piggins, and Winifred Wilde.

Please pray for all the sick
and/or housebound members of our parishes. Please tell your parish office if you would like to add someone to the list above.