Catholic Parish of Brighton and Hove: West Hub

Sacred Heart; St George's & St Theresa's; St Mary Magdalen's; St Peter's Canon Colin Wolczak; Fr Tony Milner (on sabbatical); Fr Alphonse Kabore; Canon David Parmiter

Sunday 21st September 2025, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Weekdays: Week 25

Canon David Writes...

Our new parish of Brighton & Hove was inaugurated last Sunday 14th September, with Mass at St John the Baptist Church, in what will be called the 'Mother Church' of the parish. It was celebrated by Bishop Richard with parish priests and deacons from across our new parish. As a new Church structure, it is still very early days, and I know that talk about Church structures is not everyone's 'cup of tea', but I hope it will help us work together in service to our local community.

Sometimes we can lose track of time, so it is worth recalling that this follow the Pastoral Plan for the Diocese published by Bishop Richard in January 2024, called, "The Word Who is Life: The Call to Mission." In a press release the Diocese has written the following: 'the Plan creates vital new pathways for evangelisation enabling diocesan clergy and lay people to collaborate more closely to meet the sacramental and formation needs of their faith communities, through new parish structures centred on mission. Speaking on Sunday, Bishop Richard highlighted the importance of growing in holiness and building on a renewed interest in the Catholic faith across the Diocese: "Today's inauguration is a significant moment," he said, "as we – people and clergy – open the door to new possibilities for the great work that the Lord has given to us. We are witnessing many fresh shoots of faith across our church communities, which are seeing new growth as people find their way to Christ through His Church, and our schools – which are fulfilling their mission and enabling our young people to take their place in the world as disciples. By working together, our mission will be ever more effective." It has been sixty years since the establishment of the Diocese on 28th May 1965, and this was celebrated and reflected upon yesterday at the Festival of Hope and the fruits of this event will be shared with all in the weeks and months ahead. Much has changed in our area and in the world and Church since that time. It might be worth taking a little time this week to reflect on what has changed in your lifetime. Even if you are young, change is still a feature of life, especially with the development of technology and its increased use in all our lives. In our readings this week we see that God holds us all in his love through the changes life brings and calls us to share this love, especially for the vulnerable.

Regular Events

Sycamore Monday 22nd September we will run the 'A God who Speaks' Sycamore film.

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

Sacred Heart, 39 Norton Road, BN3 3BF, 01273 732843,

www.sacredhearthove.org.uk; hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk.
All Masses Live Streamed: www.sacredhearthove.org.uk/videos.html

St Georges, Court Farm Road, BN3 7QR and **St Theresa's,** Old Shoreham Road, BN42 4RY, 01273 708227; westhove@abdiocese.org.uk.

St Mary Magdalen, 55 Upper North St, BN1 3FH; brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk.

St Peter's, Portland Road, BN3 5GD, 01273 733840, https://www.stpeters-hove.org.uk/; hovestpeters@abdiocese.org.uk/.

For any other contact information, including Safeguarding, please see the relevant parish website or church noticeboards.

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Mass Schedule			
	Sat 20	Sept	Sts Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Hasang
	6.00pm †	SH	Winifred Donaghy RIP
	6.00	SP	No Mass - due to Festival of Hope
1	6.30	SG	Polish Mass
	Sun 21	Sept	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8.30 am	SP.	Holy Souls
	9.00	ST	Rod Dearling RIP
	9.30	SH	Jose Nery Alvis RIP
٧S	9:30		Polish Mass
	10.00	SP	People of the Parish
9	11.00	SG	All Parishioners
	11.00	SMM	People of the Parish (Sung)
•	11.30		Conor Porter RIP
	11.30	SP	Danielle Blyth-Ray RIP
	5.00 pm	SP	NO MASS
	5.00		People of the Parish
	Mon 22	Sept	e
	10.00 am †	-	Lestock Hammond RIP
	Tue 23	-	St Pius of Pietrelcina
	10.00 am	-	All Parishioners
	10.00 †		Mr & Mrs GW Gillow RIP
ıd	10.00	SP	Caroline Lamb, Margaret Jones &
g	20.00	٠.	Maureen Armison
	6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
_	7.00pm		A.E. Woodcock RIP
	Wed 24	-	Our Lady of Walsingham
	8.00am	-	Catherine Harris RIP
ı	10.00am	SP	People of the Parish
	6.00pm †		People of the Parish
	7.00pm	ST	The Celebrant's own intention
)	Thurs 25	Sept	The delegrant 5 dwn internation
	10.00am	SP	People of the Parish
	10.00 ‡	SG	All Parishioners
	12 noon †		Maureen Clegg RIP
	6.00pm †		People of the Parish
	7.00pm	ST	Mario Marques RIP
	Fri 26		Sts Cosmas & Damian
	8.00 am	SH	Diana's Intentions
	10:00 AM	SP	Guilu Pires
	6.00pm †		People of the Parish
	7.00	ST	Beatification of Fr Agnelo De Souza
	-Sat 27		St Vincent de Paul
	12 noon †	-	People of the Parish
	6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
	6.00	SP	Mrs Cathy (Bona) Kelly RIP
	6.30	SG	Polish Mass
	Sun 28		26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8.30 am	SP	People of the Parish
	9.00	ST	All members of the SVP
	9.30	SH	Henrietta Sophie Heller RIP
	9:30	_	Polish Mass
	10.00	SP	People of the Parish
	11.00	SG	Anthony Moonjappilly RIP
	11.00	SIVIIVI	People of the Parish (Sung)

SH Noeleen Brennan RIP

SMM People of the Parish

No Mass

Maria McCarthy RIP

11.30

11.30

5.00

5.00 pm

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News from Mary Mags

We welcome Fr Alphonse Kabore to St Mary Magdalen's! From now on, Tuesday—Friday, there will be 5pm Holy Hour, and 6pm Mass. Starting Saturday 27th September, there will be 11am Holy Hour, and 12noon Mass, every Saturday. Confession will be offered during Holy Hour on Fridays and Saturdays, and on request. Sunday Mass times remain the same: 9:30am Polish Mass, 11am and 5pm.

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.

UCM at St Peter's Tuesdays in the hall, 2-4pm

during term time, new members always welcome to join us.

Sacred Heart SVP Social Group

For all parishioners. Soup, sandwiches, tea, and cakes. Entertainment, quizzes, etc. The next date will be 25th September, and every two weeks thereafter. All Welcome.

St Peter's Social group

Fridays at 1:30pm in our parish hall please do join us for some light refreshment and good conversation.

Sacred Heart Film Club

The Sacred Heart Film Club restarts on 4th October from 12:30pm after Mass. Save the date, more details to follow.

Eucharistic Adoration

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

St Peter's Tai Chi term time only, from Monday in the parish hall at 10:30am, please do join us.

Other Events / Notices

St Theresa's 70th Anniversary Celebration

Join us on Sunday 5th October, 10am at St Theresa's, Southwick, for a special

Mass marking 70 years since the church opened in 1955. This will be a joint celebration with St George's (please note: no 9am Mass at St Theresa's, or 11am Mass at St George's that day). After Mass, all are invited for a cream tea – offers of, scones, cream, jam, and help with set-up/clear-up are most welcome. Children's activities will follow Mass, with parish-made paper flowers decorating the grotto.

Mary Mags Healing Service 3pm, Sunday 5th October

There will be a Healing Service at St Mary Magdalen's. Please encourage friends and family to come and experience the healing power of Jesus.

St Peter's Parish Office

Please note the parish office is open for enquiries from 9am -1pm Tuesday – Thursday.

Sacred Heart RCIA

Our RCIA programme for adults who wish to join the Catholic Church begins on Monday 6th October. Classes are held on Monday evenings from 7-9pm in the parish room beside the church and there are 16 sessions in the course. Each session comprises a lecture, film and discussion, with refreshments. Application forms can be downloaded from our website and printed copies are also available from the church porch or from the parish office. Parishioners are also welcome to join the course from the second session on 3rd November; please book in with our Pastoral Assistant on 01273 732 843.

First Holy Communion 2025-2026 at St George's & St Theresa's

The First Holy Communion Preparation Programme will be starting this Autumn. If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion this Spring, please fill out, and return an application form. There will be an information evening for all those who have applied at St Theresa's in October. This is for any children in school years 3 - 9, and their parents. The deadline for forms is Tuesday 23rd September.

The forms are available from Juliette in the Parish office. Please return completed forms to the parish office asap. Any late applications may not be considered for this year's programme. We look forward to meeting you.

St Peter's Parish Website

We have a live website again, https://www.stpeters-hove.org.uk/ please visit it again for all the parish information as before, and you can now again access the parish newsletter online, apologies it took so long.

Children's Craft Activity for SVP Sunday 21st September, After St Theresa's Mass, 10am - 10:30am Join me after Mass in the children's

Join me after Mass in the children's liturgy room to make table decorations and place settings. Enjoy a fun craft whilst helping prepare for SVP charity tea party on Sunday 28th September. Thanks for sharing your time and creativity. Charlotte.

Hospital Chaplaincy

If you are going into hospital for a period of time at the Royal Sussex County, please let Fr Celestine know as soon as you can, and likewise if you get taken to hospital as an urgent case, ask a friend or relative to inform Fr Celestine as soon as you can. He will then arrange for a visit. Call 01273 696955 Ext. 64122, or email celestine.nnolim@nhs.net.

Red box collection time

If you have a red box that has not been emptied recently or you would like it emptied, please could you bring it to Moira at St Theresa's, or Patricia at St George's. Please remember to make sure your name is on it. Thank you.

St Peter's Repository has a wide range of religious cards and gifts available to purchase including various Carlo Acutis items please do pop in to see what's on offer. Available to purchase are Carlo Acutis items, 3rd class relics, silver plated necklaces with different religious icons and saints, statues and candles. Opening times are before and after Mass every day, apart from Monday, please use our dona machine in the porch to pay for any purchases.

St Peter's Money Counters

We really need more people to volunteer and join the three teams we have. If we have four more people, each team would only need to count every six weeks. It's a simple enough job, you work in pairs, training will be provided, with a cup of coffee thrown in. Please contact the office if you can help.

Readers required at Sacred Heart

We need Readers for the Saturday 6pm Mass at the Sacred Heart. Please contact Cassie on 01273 732843, or speak to one of the Readers after the Saturday Mass. Thank you.

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 late afternoon, but this is proving difficult of late. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to ask Canon David or speak to the office.

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 or from our websites. Please be prompt in returning your forms before the deadline dates that are stated on the forms. Any late applications may not be considered for this year's programmes. The FHC programme is filling up fast at the Sacred Heart, so please submit your application soon if you don't want to miss out on a place. The deadline for FHC forms is Tuesday 23rd September.

Photography at Sacred Heart 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.

St Peter's Archive

For baptism, or confirmation certificates, please email: SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com.

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

Returns on 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.

Eucharistic Adoration

The Diocese of A&B is renewing and developing its Adoration Lay Committee in order to increase the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes throughout the diocese. You are welcome to attend an information meeting on Thursday 2nd October, 8pm, for one hour. Registration from 7pm, includes light refreshments, St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley, RH10 6RP.

Fundraising / Giving

UCM Bring and Buy Sale Tuesday 30th September 2025, 2–4pm, St Peter's Parish Hall

Everyone is very welcome – come along for a browse and a chat, and help support a good cause!

St Peter's Offertory Collection: Sunday 07/09/25 = £1,264.

Special Collections 2025 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-catholicparish-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

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 and West Blatchington Food

Bank If you would like to donate this week, we would be grateful for:

Chocolate; Cooking oil; Crisps; Deodorant; Long life semi skimmed milk; Pasta sauce; Shampoo with matching conditioner; Single toothbrushes (we don't split multipacks for hygiene reasons); Tinned spaghetti; and Washing up liquid.

Donations may be brought to the hall on Wednesdays 10:30-11:45am, Books Alive in Elm Drive, One Stop in Court Farm Road or any of our churches.

Please pray for...

Bob & Elena White; Canon Colin Wolczak; Caroline Lamb; Cathy Howes; Cheryl Evans; Denise Lavaud; Rex Curd; Tom Piggins; and Winifred Wilde.

Please tell your parish office if you would like to add someone to the prayer list above.

Please pray for all the sick and/or housebound members of our parishes.

Please also pray for all those who have died recently, especially:

Shirley Carroll RIP (St Theresa's) – we have heard the sad news that Shirley died recently. Her funeral will take place at St Theresa's on Tuesday 23rd September at 11am.



Sunday 21st September 2025, 25th 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: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, saying, 'When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, that we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and sell the chaff of the wheat?' The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: 'Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response
Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Beloved: First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

For this I was appointed a preacher and an Apostle — I am telling the truth, I am not lying — a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarrelling.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia.
Jesus Christ, though he was rich,
yet for your sake he became poor,
so that you by his poverty might
become rich.
Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

At that time: Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager." And the manager said to himself, "What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He said, "A hundred measures of oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty." Then he said to another, "And how much do you owe?" He said, "A hundred measures of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and write eighty." The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.' And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. 'One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful with the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true

riches? And if you have not been

faithful with that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

the Father almighty, maker of heaven

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God,

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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