

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 Paul Wilkinson; Fr Tony Milner (on sabbatical); Fr Alphonse Kabore; Canon David Parmiter

Sunday 19th October 2025, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Weekdays: Week 29, Psalter Week 1

**Saint Philip Howard, Earl of Arundel, Martyr, Co-principal Patron of the Diocese
World Mission Sunday 2025**

Canon David Writes...

This Sunday our Diocese celebrates one of its two principal patron's, St. Philip Howard (1557 – 1595). The Mass and the readings will be those, not of the 29th Sunday of the year, rather those assigned to the celebration of Martyrs. The details are to be found in the Diocesan Directory. St. Philip's shrine is in Arundel Cathedral and in this month of his feast day it might be worth a visit and a prayer for his intercession if you have the time. The Cathedral is usually open daily, but check before you travel. If you can't make it across then read about his life and ask for his intercession.

Equally inspiring is the life of his wife, Anne Dacre, whose prayers and fidelity helped St. Philip back to the right path when his faith had become weak. He had also been deeply touched by the preaching of St. Edmund Campion. For St. Philip had become fascinated with all the goings on at the court of Queen Elizabeth I and all this took place in the context of the Reformation, so a bit more of a tricky time than usual, although each age has its challenges. The Queen's officers had him imprisoned for his return to the Catholic faith and he died, from neglect, a martyr in the Tower of London. There are many lessons to take from the lives of St. Philip and his wife but perhaps preaching and fidelity could be identified on this World Mission Sunday (WMS).

Here is a quote from the material sent through to me by Missio. "WMS is coordinated by Missio, the Pope's official charity for world mission, and ensures that support reaches communities most in need of great poverty, conflict and turmoil. Everyone is asked to play their part so that those in greatest need receive support. In 2024, Catholics in Rwanda raised £12,000; Ecuador raised £197,000; Italy raised £3.3 million; and here in England and Wales we raised £790,000. Every Catholic community, in every country, will be sending a powerful message of faith, hope and love through their prayers and donations. Missio exists to help all Catholics take part in this life-changing mission."



Are you interested in becoming a School Governor?

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Portslade We'd like to share an exciting opportunity to get involved in the life of our school community. St Mary's currently has a Governor Associate Member vacancy, and we thought it might be of interest to the Parish. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to the life of our school and help us continue to grow and thrive. Please see below for further details. Do you have specific knowledge and skills in health and safety or finance? Associate Members are not full governors but play an important part in the work of the governing body, offering expertise and guidance to support decision-making. If you or someone you know has the relevant experience and would like to make a positive difference to our school community, please speak with Mrs Clayton or Mrs Ryan.

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School and Nursery, Brighton There are currently vacancies on the Governing Board for one Parent Governor and two Foundation Governors. There is no magic formula about what makes a perfect Foundation Governor, they come from all occupations and all ages. Foundation Governors play an especially key role in Catholic Schools; the role is diverse, rewarding, challenging, and fulfilling allowing post holders to share their time, skills, and talents within a school setting. You will be encouraged to attend training sessions and will be supported in your role. The average Foundation Governor position will take up about 10-12 hours per month though this can vary depending on the school calendar or events, such as Ofsted inspections. The time commitment includes the minimum requirement of attending three full governor meetings per year. If you are interested in becoming a school governor, please contact Michelle McCann, Clerk to Governors, for more information via: michellemccann@stmarymags.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Sacred Heart, 39 Norton Road, BN3 3BF, 01273 732843, www.sacredheartrove.org.uk;
hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk. All Masses Live Streamed: www.sacredheartrove.org.uk/videos.html

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

St Mary Magdalen's, 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.

Mass Schedule

Sat 18	Oct	St Luke
12noon†	SMM	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
6.00	SP	People of the Parish
6.30	SG	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Sun 19	Oct	St Philip Howard, Co-principal Patron of the Diocese
8.30 am	SP	People of the Parish
9.00	ST	All Parishioners
9.30	SH	Cecilia Shrieves RIP
9.30	SMM	People of the Parish
10.00	SP	People of the Parish
11.00	SG	Special Intention
11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30	SH	James Kendall RIP
11.30	SP	Jadwiga Maćkowiak RIP
5.00 pm	SP	<i>Brazilian Mass</i>
5.00	SMM	People of the Parish
Mon 20	Oct	
10.00 am †	SH	Jose Nery Alvis RIP
Tue 21	Oct	
10.00 am	SG	All Parishioners
10.00 †	SH	Ronnie Saldanha RIP
10.00	SP	The Society of Catholic Artists
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
Wed 22	Oct	St John Paul II
8.00am	SH	Mr & Mrs GW Gillow & Relatives
10.00am	SP	Special Intention for Katerina, Maria, Alexander, Kai & Allan.
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
Thurs 23	Oct	St John of Capistrano
10.00am	SP	Gary & Rita Hearn RIP
10.00 ‡	SG	Irene Jee RIP
12 noon †	SH	Jacqueline Healy RIP
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
Fri 24	Oct	St Anthony Mary Claret
8.00 am	SH	Flavin & Craven Family
10:00 AM	SP	No Mass
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00	ST	All Parishioners
Sat 25	Oct	
12noon†	SMM	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
6.00	SP	People of the Parish
6.30	SG	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Sun 26	Oct	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am	SP	People of the Parish
9.00	ST	All Parishioners
9.30	SH	Henryka Dziecielska RIP
9.30	SMM	People of the Parish
10.00	SP	Tom & Lily Cloherty RIP
11.00	SG	All Parishioners
11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30	SH	Maureen Clegg RIP
11.30	SP	Lucy Coade
5.00 pm	SP	<i>Brazilian Mass</i>
5.00	SMM	People of the Parish

SH: Sacred Heart; **SG:** St George's;
SMM: St Mary Magdalene's; **SP:** St Peter's; **ST:** St Theresa's;
 † Adoration before; ‡ Adoration after

Regular Events



Sycamore at St Peter's Sycamore Plus is a wonderful new series of Sycamore films presented by Father Stephen Wang – all twelve focused on prayer 'Ways of Praying'. We will gather on Wednesday for a drink and a chat from 7:30pm until 8pm then enjoy our usual film and discussion from 8pm to 9pm finish. All are most welcome especially if you haven't been able to join us on Mondays.

Sacred Heart Prayer Group The group will take a break during October and resume from Tuesday 4th November.

Online Prayer Group Thursdays at 8pm via video-link. A small and informal group, meeting to pray and read the scriptures together. If you would like to join the group, or just 'come and see' you are very welcome. Just send an email to westhove@abdiocese.org.uk and you will receive the link for the meeting. You may leave prayer requests in the box at the back of St Theresa's church.

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

Children's Liturgy at St Peter's 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, then the liturgy will not be able to take place.

Sacred Heart SVP Social Group For all parishioners. Soup, sandwiches, tea, and cakes. Entertainment, quizzes, etc. The next date will be 23rd October and every two weeks thereafter. All Welcome.

UCM at St Peter's Tuesdays in the hall, 2-4pm during term time, new members always welcome to join us.

Sacred Heart Film Club Save the date for the next Sacred Heart Film Club which is booked for 1st November from 12:30pm after Mass. The film to be shown is 'The Scarlet and the Black' which is based on the work of a Vatican official helping PoW's and Resistance workers to escape. Starring Gregory Peck. Refreshments will be served. 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.

Eucharistic Adoration at St Mary Mags
Every Tuesday to Friday, the Church opens at 5pm, with Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Mass 6pm. Every Saturday, Holy Hour at 11am, followed by Mass at 12noon. Spend time in prayer with us, interceding for our city, our parish, and our loved ones. Confession available during Holy Hour on Fridays and Saturdays, and on request.

Other Events / Notices

TASTE & SEE

31st October 2025 Friday 7pm - 10pm

An evening of powerful praise and worship, adoration, prayer ministry, and encounter with the **Living God**.

Come expecting miracles, healings, and breakthrough as we lift up the **name of Jesus**.

On this halloween night, we gather to shine His light and declare **victory over darkness**.

St Mary Magdalen's Church Brighton
55 Upper North Street, BN1 3FH

Blessing of the Graves The Annual Blessing of the Graves will take place on Sunday 9th November at 2:30pm at Hove Cemetery (North, left hand side). All welcome.

St Peter's Defibrillator our fully automatic AED Unit is now back and fully operational. It has been fitted with new pads and batteries. It is located in the sacristy behind the left hand door. Anybody wishing to be a Responder ideally should know how to carry out Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). The operation of the AED Unit is simple, you can access a tutorial on DVD by contacting the Parish Office.

Cottesmore St Mary Catholic Primary School – Open Days Are you looking for a Reception place for September 2026? Cottesmore St Mary warmly invites prospective parents to visit the school during one of our Open Days this

November. Visits take place at 9am on the following dates: 4th–6th, 10th–12th, and 17th–19th November 2025.

To book, please email office@cottesmore.brighton-hove.sch.uk with your preferred date, contact details, and your child's name, and nursery. We look forward to welcoming you!

2025-2026 Confirmation Programmes Application Forms – For All Churches

Application Forms for the 2025-2026 programmes are now available please complete and return to your parish office. All forms are available from your churches and parish websites. Deadline for application is 9th December 2025.

St Peter's Confirmation Certificates

from June 2025 please collect your certificates from the Sacristy after Mass.

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

EXPLORING CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

GOD AND THE 'SECULAR WORLD'



Living Faith Conferences - Opportunities to Explore Christian Faith Today

SUN 9TH NOV 2025 | 12:45 - 4:15PM
The Fitzherbert Community Hub, St John the Baptist Church, 2 Bristol Road, Brighton, BN2 1AP.
SPEAKER: CHARLES WOOLLEY, FOUNDER OF THE CHARITY 'A BLUEPRINT FOR BETTER BUSINESS'

Fundraising / Giving

Special Collections 2025

19th October; World Mission Sunday
16th November; Retired Priests Fund
23rd November; Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund

Today is World Mission Sunday Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are

called to be 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God loves them and to be strengthened by God's Spirit. 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, 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.

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, Patricia at St George's, leave in the Sacristy for Sally Benham at St Peter's, or leave in the outer sacristy at Sacred Heart for Marilyn. Please remember to make sure your name is on it. Thank you.

St Peter's Offertory Collection:

Offertory total week 12/10/25 = £1,496.
CAFOD = £554.15.
Prisoner Sunday = £344.

Hangleton and West Blatchington Food Bank

If you would like to donate this week, we would be grateful for: **UHT Semi skimmed milk; Chicken soup; Plain noodles; Tuna; Crisps; Loo rolls; and Shower gel**. 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...

Canon Colin Wolczak, Caroline Lamb, Cathy Howes, Cheryl Evans, Clive Holding, Denise Lavaud, Eileen Kipling, Elena White, 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:

Patrick Banks RIP Please pray for Patrick Banks, who died on 10th October. Patrick was a valued member of our Choir at the 11:30am Sunday Mass at the Sacred Heart.

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 3:1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.

In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an evil thing, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.

Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial whole burnt offering he accepted them.

In the time of their visitation they will shine forth and will run like sparks through the stubble.

They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever.

Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his chosen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response

Into your hands, O LORD, I commend my spirit.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Brothers and Sisters: We have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For we who live are always being given over to death for the sake of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, 'I believed, and so I spoke', we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 10:17-22

At that time: Jesus instructed his Apostles: 'Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.'

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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