

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; Fr Alphonse Kabore; Canon David Parmiter

Sunday 24th May 2026, Pentecost, Year A, Weekdays: Week 20, Psalter Week 4

Canon David Writes...

As we celebrate Pentecost praying for the Holy Spirit to renew us, we hear that we are sent, once again, as heralds of the Gospel. In the Gospel of the day Jesus shares with the disciples his peace and then says: "As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." He bestows upon them the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins which anticipates the powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles at Pentecost. This reminds not only of the healing given in the sacrament of Reconciliation but the healing which also comes to us when we forgive each other our transgressions, from our hearts.

We receive the Holy Spirit in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, and He sustains us in our lives of faith. The Catholic charismatic movement though, which started to gather pace in the 1960's and 1970's and continues to this day, had a great insight for Catholics everywhere. It was based on this question; have the gifts brought to us by the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and Confirmation been fanned into a bright flame of faith able to warm and enlighten others by its glow? Perhaps those involved in the movement might phrase it slightly differently, but as we hear about the tongues of fire resting on the Apostles, we get the general idea. Today we ask the Holy Spirit for the flame of faith to be burning brightly in our hearts.



Corpus Christi at Arundel Cathedral

For over 140 years, Arundel Cathedral has celebrated the Feast of Corpus Christi with a magnificent Festival of Flowers, featuring the world-famous Carpet of Flowers in the central aisle of the Cathedral and a procession of the Blessed Sacrament from the Cathedral to the courtyard of Arundel Castle, where Benediction is given.

The dates for Corpus Christi 2026 are Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th June. The Cathedral will be open while the carpet is laid on Tuesday 2nd June, closing when the carpet is complete. Visitors may view the carpet on Wednesday from 9:30am–7.00pm and Thursday from 9:30am–5:30pm, when Mass begins.

Entry is free and booking is not required, although donations are welcomed to support the event. Hot and cold food and drinks will be available at the Cathedral Centre from 9am on both days.

If you would like to help with preparations or during the viewing days, please contact the Cathedral Office on 01903 882297 or email arundel@abdiocese.org.uk.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Carpet of Flowers 3-4 June 2026
Arundel Cathedral



Sacred Heart, 39 Norton Road, BN3 3BF, 01273 732843, www.sacredheartrove.org.uk;
hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk. All Masses at SH are 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;
www.brightondeanerywest.org.uk; westhove@abdiocese.org.uk

St Mary Magdalen's, 55 Upper North Street, BN1 3FH; 01273 326793; brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk

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

Hospital Chaplain, Royal Sussex County Hospital, T. 01273 696955 Ext. 64122, email celestine.nnolim@nhs.net

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

Mass Schedule

Sat 23	May	Saturday
12noon †	SMM	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SH	Michael Rycroft Int.
6.00pm	SP	People of the Parish
6.30pm	SG	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Sun 24	May	Pentecost
8.30am	SP	People of the Parish
9.00am	ST	Those being Baptised
9.30am	SH	People of the Parish
9:30am	SMM	People of the Parish
10.00am	SP	Richard Lovegrove
11.00am	SG	People of the Parish
11.00am	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30am	SH	Mr & Mrs Gillow RIP & Family
11.30am	SP	Bill Murphy RIP
5.00pm	SMM	People of the Parish
5.00pm	SP	<i>Brazilian Mass</i>
Mon 25	May	Mary, Mother of the Church
10.00am †	SH	Fr Edmund Hartley RIP
Tue 26	May	St Philip Neri
10.00am	SG	People of the Parish
10.00am †	SH	Nina Cross RIP
11.00am	SP	Special Intention for Simon
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Wed 27	May	St Augustine of Canterbury
8.00am	SH	Hobden Family Int
8.00am	CNCS	
10.00am	SP	People of the Parish
10.00am	SG	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Thurs 28	May	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest
10.00am ‡	SG	People of the Parish
10.00am †	SP	Repose of the Soul of Adele Gateley
12noon †	SH	<i>NO MASS</i>
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Fri 29	May	Saint Paul VI
8.00am	SH	Alice Rawcliffe RIP
10.00am	SP	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SMM	People of the Parish
Sat 30	May	Saturday
12noon †	SMM	People of the Parish
6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
6.00pm	SP	Peace in our world
6.30pm	SG	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Sun 31	May	The Most Holy Trinity
8.30am	SP	People of the Parish
9.00am	ST	People of the Parish
9.30am	SH	Mr Malli Villagala RIP
9:30am	SMM	People of the Parish
10.00am	SP	Stirling
11.00am	SG	People of the Parish
11.00am	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30am	SH	Bridget Walsh RIP
11.30am	SP	David Gibbons RIP
5.00pm	SMM	People of the Parish
5.00pm	SP	<i>Brazilian Mass</i>

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

Weekly Reconciliation Times

Sacred Heart & St Peter's Saturdays from 5:15–5:45pm.

St George's After Sunday Mass, on request.

St Mary Magdalen Fridays at 5pm, and Saturdays at 11am.

St Theresa's Fridays after the 7:00pm Mass.

Prayer Groups & Devotions

Sacred Heart

Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 10:30am in the parish room.

Leave prayer requests in the box at the back of church.

Online Rosary: Fridays at 11am via livestream.

St George's

Rosary Group: Mondays, 6.00–7.00pm in the Lady Chapel.

St Mary Magdalen's

Faith Formation Group: Thursdays, 6:45pm at St Mary Mags, during term time. For anyone interested in joining the Church or learning more about the Catholic faith.

Women's Rosary: takes place every Friday at 10:00am.

West Hove Online Prayer Group

Thursday evenings at 8pm on Zoom, exploring the Bible and aspects of the faith together. Please contact the Parish Office for the Zoom link.

St Peter's

Holy Spirit prayer series: Mondays at 3:30pm and Thursdays at 8pm in the parish hall. Enquiries: faithenginesprayer@gmail.com.

Contemplative Prayer Group: Fridays at 7:30pm, in person and online. Enquiries: quietenginesprayer@gmail.com.

St Theresa's

Rosary: Wednesday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 8:30am.

Social Groups

Sacred Heart

SVP Social Group: meets after the 12 noon Mass every two weeks for soup, sandwiches, quizzes and friendly company; the next gathering is on 28th May.

Film Club: meets on Saturday 6th June after the 12 noon Mass, showing The Shiralee.

St Mary Magdalen's hosts Table Church, a young adults' group meeting informally after the 11am Mass for refreshments in the community hall to share faith and life experiences.

St George's Tea and Chat takes place after the 10am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, with the next gathering on Tuesday 26th May.

St Peter's Church Social Group (drop in) The St Peter's Church social group meets every Friday from 1:00–3:00pm in the parish hall. Please do join us for light refreshments and friendly conversation.

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church on Friday 12th June at 7.00pm, also it will be a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating 50 years (Golden Jubilee) of the priestly ordination of the Reverend Monsignor Michael Jackson. It will be followed by a celebration for Mgr Michael in the parish rooms and the car park, weather permitting. Please note that the parish car park will be closed from 1pm on 12th June. Envelopes are available at the back of the Sacred Heart Church if you wish to show your appreciation for Mgr Michael's ministry. All are welcome.

St Peter's Parish Office Please note the parish office is open for enquiries from 9am -12pm Tuesday – Thursday.

Catenian Association a monthly meeting of Catholic men at The Hove Club. For more info cateniansprovince18.org.uk.

St Peter's Syrian Lunch Thank you to our talented chefs for the delicious food and for providing yet another culinary insight into the delights of Syrian cuisine, a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community.

Healing Service at St Mary Magdalene's The next Healing Service at St Mary Magdalene's Church will take place on Sunday 7th June at 3pm, with Fr Rod and Fr Alphonse. All are most welcome. The community hall will stay open after Mass until the 3pm service and you are warmly invited to stay for a 'potluck' lunch — please bring a dish if you can. The car park will remain open until 6pm.

St Peter's Archive Team For a baptism, or confirmation certificate contact our team of volunteers by email: saintpeterarchives@gmail.com. Please allow two weeks for documents to be processed.

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

St Peter's Repository Has a wide range of cards along with Confirmation and First Holy Communion items, please do

take a look. 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.

Catholic Legacy Week, 24th–30th May Catholic Legacy Week is a time when parishes and Catholic charities, including CAFOD, celebrate the work made possible through gifts left in Wills. These gifts help support the life and mission of the Church for future generations. To find out more about leaving a gift in your Will, please visit: <https://cafod.org.uk/give/leave-a-gift-in-your-will/your-catholic-legacy>.

Feast of St Norbert You are warmly invited to join us at St Theresa's for Vespers, followed by fizz and a smorgasbord, in honour of the Feast of St Norbert on Saturday 6th June at 7.00pm. All are very welcome.

Invitation to Spend an Hour with Jesus, our Eucharistic Lord Watchers of Adoration and Intercession are needed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Arundel Cathedral on Wednesday 3rd June and Thursday 4th June in preparation for the Corpus Christi celebrations. Parishioners are invited to spend an hour in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, especially on Wednesday when more volunteers are needed. To sign up, please contact Antonia Moffat at antonia4161@gmail.com or text 07795 192750. If you can help with stewarding, hospitality or refreshments, please contact Louise Sharp at arundel@abdiocese.org.uk.

Fundraising / Giving

Offertory Collection Reporting These figures include standing orders, DONA payments, Gift Aid envelopes, and cash given at Mass. Totals are reported monthly, in arrears.

APRIL 2026

SH offertory = £6,087.77

SG & ST offertory = £2,548.82.

SMM offertory = £2,626.52

SP offertory £4,700.

Curry Evening Karla is having a curry evening for her Charity ESSR, on Saturday 13th June at the Sacred Heart Parish Room at 7pm. Tickets are £15.00 each and are available after Mass. Please eat and drink and enjoy yourself whilst sup-

porting this wonderful charity.

Soup Run Each week, from Monday to Friday, 7pm at the shelter next to the Angel of Peace on the seafront. For more info, please contact SMM office.

Hangleton and West Blatchington Food Bank Would you like to donate to the Food Bank this week? We would be very grateful for donations of, orange squash, microwave rice sachets, pasta sauces (curry, tomato or white sauce), UHT fruit juice, flavoured noodles and tinned spaghetti. Donations can be placed in the food collection baskets at our churches, Waitrose Hove, Books Alive Christian Bookshop, or delivered directly on Wednesday mornings from 10.30am at St George's Church Hall. Thank you for your support.

Special Collections 2026

24 May – Diocese of Chulucanas (Gift Aid) Collection for the Missionary Endeavor of the Diocese. This collection goes to help the Diocese of Chulucanas in Peru.

Cycle of Prayer

During Easter we are asked to pray for the following intentions. New members of the church; vocations; survivors of abuse; the right use of the media; the Church; and human work.

Visits for Bridget Lavy

Bridget Lavy, a parishioner of ST, has recently moved into St Mary's Care Home, Westbrook, Worthing. Bridget has dementia and would very much appreciate visitors and company from fellow parishioners. She may not always recognise people, but friendly visits are warmly welcomed. Please keep Bridget in your prayers.

Please pray for the recently deceased:

Roy Myhill RIP who died suddenly last week, his funeral will be at St Peter's Thursday 4th June at 11am.

Please also pray for: Canon Colin Wolczak; Cheryl Evans; Chris, Lucy, & Matt Neal; Clive Connor; Eileen Kipling; Elena White; Hanorah & Mat Smith; Julia Fleming; Liz Perkins; Mario Noah; Melvin Shirkie; Peter Cochlin; Rex Curd; Robert (Bob) Selwood; Tom Piggins; & Winifred Wilde.

Sunday 24th May 2026
Pentecost

The 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 Acts 2:1-11

When the day of Pentecost arrived, the Apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians —

we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Brothers and Sisters: No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia.

Gospel John 20:19-23

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

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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