

Parish of Our Lady of Consolation and St. Gabriel

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Welcome to the parish of Our Lady of Consolation and St. Gabriel. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Canon Tim and complete a new parishioner form available at both churches.

Do take your newsletter home with you.

Requiem Mass—Jo Slaughter DHS

The Requiem Mass for Jo Slaughter will be on Monday 13th January at 10.30am in Corpus Christi Church, Henfield followed by interment in Henfield Cemetery.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

International Supper

Saturday 8th March 6pm
St. Gabriel's Hall, Billingshurst
Everyone is welcome. No charge.

NEXT CORE TEAM MEETING Wednesday 17th January at 7.30pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST. GABRIEL'S

begins again today Sunday 12th January. There will also be sessions on the following dates: 19th and 26th January, 2nd and 9th February.

Building Works at Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead

The new altars, font and confessional will be installed during the period 2 January to 28 March. This will involve builders working in the church and parish room. If visiting, please be careful, although the contractors will ensure H&S standards are met at all times. There might also be occasions when the church will be closed, although Wednesday and Sunday services will not be affected.

OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION, WEST GRINSTEAD There is currently **NO** heating in the church. If you are attending Mass on Sunday or Wednesday, please wrap up warmly! Please note the church will be closed all day on Tuesday 14th January.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Prayers for Ruth & Helena Malone, Christine Wylie, Philip Baker, Pat Cox, Sybil Gasche, Kosta Karakianiti, Sue Sherlock, Pauline Fuller, John Blythe, Maricel Walka, David Wylie-Sporne,

Ann Peacock, Louise McCorquodale, John Gladman and all the sick or housebound of the parish. Please pray for the sick clergy of the diocese.

Pray too for the repose of the souls of Jo Slaughter, Fiona Reidy, Vicky Philips

and for all those who have died recently.

We will update this list each month so please contact the Parish Office if you wish your name or that of a friend or loved one to remain on the list.

The Baptism of the Lord

12th January 2025

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th - 25th January

Do you believe this?

The occasion reminds Christians of Jesus' prayer for his disciples, that "they may be one so that the world may believe" (John 17:21). As we celebrate 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea the scripture readings for this year focus on belief. Christians are encouraged to come together during the week to pray for unity.

CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE

This year at St. Gabriel's, Billingshurst
Sunday 19th January at 6.30pm



At St. Gabriel's we need more people to join the following teams:

- Welcoming people at Sunday Mass
- Taking the collection during the Offertory
- Counting the collection after Sunday Mass
- Sacristans, especially for Tuesday 9.30am Mass
- Flower arrangers

Please let the Parish Office know if you can help.

SECOND COLLECTIONS...

TODAY Sunday 12th January to raise funds to support the Christians in the Holy Land at this very difficult time.

NEXT SUNDAY 19th January for Pax Christi. Pope Francis' theme for 2025 is 'Forgive us our trespasses: Grant us your peace.' Pax Christi gives practical expression to this call by offering peace education in schools and promoting the gospel message of nonviolence.

CRIB COLLECTION This year, this money will go to the Patriarchate of Jerusalem (via the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre) to support the Christians in Gaza and the Holy Land in their desperate situations.



January's newsletter is on display on the noticeboards at both churches. Please take a look.

Watch Bishop Richard's pastoral letter at <https://vimeo.com/1044366315?ct=t>

Today 12th January at Our Lady of Consolation there will be Extraordinary Form Latin Mass at 3pm. This Mass fulfils the Sunday Obligation. All are welcome.

Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word
Saturday 25 January 11am-4pm at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Burgess Hill (no cost)
Led by Bishop Richard. The day will include talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, and preparing to minister as a reader. There will be a time of Lectio Divina, and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass. Register your place here <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

Rethinking Abortion Saturday 8 February 10am-5pm at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley (no cost) You can find out more about the day here: www.marchforlife.co.uk/rethink-abortion/

Pope Francis has decided that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope".
In order for everyone to share in the celebration of the Holy Year, the following diocesan churches have also been designated as special places of pilgrimage, where Holy Year Indulgences may be gained: Arundel Cathedral, Worth Abbey and St Joseph's, Guildford. For more information visit <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025-diocesan?ct=t>

An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with CAFOD, 18 January, 10.30am-12pm (online). Register at <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/jubilee-2025>
CAFOD has also produced a special Reflection Guide exploring the biblical background to the Jubilee Year. You can order or download a copy on their website.

SAVE THE DATE Saturday 20 September 2025
Festival of Hope Celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Diocese and the Universal Jubilee Year with your family and friends. Tickets will be allocated to Parishes in the new year!

The "God Who Speaks" website includes a range of faith resources and reflections exploring the riches of the Catholic faith, with a short series on science and the Bible. Go to <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-quest-for-truth-noah-the-first-scientist/?ct=t>



Current needed items: Tinned macaroni cheese & spaghetti, custard, hot chocolate, long life fruit juice, ketchup & other sauces.

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MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 12th JANUARY 2025

Sunday 12th January The Baptism of the Lord	9.15am Mass St. Gabriel's 11.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Barbara Hopper RIP</i>
Monday 13th January	12 noon Mass St. John the Evangelist, Horsham	-
Tuesday 14th January	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's	<i>Bill Cheesman RIP</i>
Wednesday 15th January	11.00am Adoration & Benediction 12 noon Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>Diana Peden RIP</i>
Thursday 16th January	7.00pm Mass St. Gabriel's	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Friday 17th January <i>St. Antony, Abbot</i>	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's followed by Adoration	<i>Tony & Peter Watts RIP</i>
Saturday 18th January <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's followed by Adoration & Benediction	<i>The Wema family</i>
Sunday 19th January 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Peace Sunday	9.15am Mass St. Gabriel's 11.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Michael Harvey Jolly RIP</i>

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 11.15am Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead
Saturday 10.00am St Gabriel's, Billingshurst

	12th January	19th January
9.15am Welcomers	Maria Raccagni Claire Cohen	Graham Dow Lucy Cooper
9.15am Readers	Christine Babiye Lucy Cooper	Alex Martens Diane Fievez
9.15am Collectors	tbc	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke
Children's Liturgy	Denise Bass Jacqui Merridew	Rachel Hogarth Janet King
9.15am Minister of the Eucharist	Margaret Steed	Denis Woodhouse
9.15am Counters	Alex & Andre Manko	Sara Tremlett Alex Martens
9.15am Coffee	Mary Lewcock Jacqui Merridew	Maria Raccagni Jasmin Tapleras
Readers 11.15am	Kate Robertson Pat Meed	Gay Davenport Jenny Marsden

Readings for 19th January: 1st Reading: Isaiah 62: 1 - 5 Psalm: 96
2nd Reading: Corinthians 12: 4 - 11 Gospel: John 2: 1 - 11

PARISH GIVING 5th January

St. Gabriel's: £131.85
Our Lady of Consolation: £229.90

Applications for this summer's Pilgrimage to Lourdes (25-31 July by air, 24 July-1 August by coach/jumbulance) are now open on the diocesan website: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/apply?ct=t>