

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.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

PALM SUNDAY

9.15am Mass at St. Gabriel's
11.15am Mass at Our Lady of Consolation

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY

8pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at Our Lady of Consolation

GOOD FRIDAY

10am Stations of the Cross for children and families at St. Gabriel's
2pm Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Consolation followed by
3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in both Our Lady of Consolation and St. Gabriel's

HOLY SATURDAY

8.30pm Solemn Vigil of Easter at Our Lady of Consolation

EASTER DAY

9.15am Mass at St. Gabriel's
11.15am Mass at Our Lady of Consolation

STATIONS OF THE CROSS during Lent will be at St. Gabriel's each Thursday at **6.15pm** followed by Mass at 7pm. At Our Lady of Consolation they will be on Wednesdays at 1.15pm following the Lent Lunch. Due to ongoing building work, booklets will be available for people to pray the Stations on their own.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

in Billingshurst will start at St. Gabriel's at 11am. There will be hot cross buns and refreshments available in the Hall from 10.30am.

Watch Bishop Richard's video podcast for the 4th Sunday of Lent at
<https://vimeo.com/1069908643?ct=t>

PARISH PRAYER LIST Prayers for Ruth & Helena Malone, Christine Wylie, Sue Sherlock, Pauline Fuller, John Blythe, Maricel Walka, John Gladman, Mark Forster, Jim Maynard and all the sick or housebound of the parish.

Please pray for Pope Francis and all the sick clergy of the diocese.

Pray too for the repose of the souls of Gina Dias, Kosta Karakianiti, plus all those who have died recently.

4th 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent

30th March 2025

Divine Office Week 4 Year C

Children's Liturgy There is a session today Sunday 30th March during the 9.15am Mass at St. Gabriel's and on 6th and 13th April too. **Would you like to join the team as a leader?** There is an inspiring Leaders' Event at the Philip Howard Centre 26th April 10am - 1.30pm. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

LENT LUNCHES

Simple lunch of soup, bread and cheese in St Mary's Room, Billingshurst at 1pm.

4th April Sage House, hosted by St Mary's

11th April Embracing Age, hosted by Billingshurst Family Church

West Grinstead

There will be Lent lunches at the Shrine on Wednesdays after the 12 noon Mass. Donations will go to the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund.

The Lent Lunch for Mary's Meals on the 21st March raised a wonderful £445, enough to feed more than 23 children for a whole school year! Our thanks go to Jane Matthews and her team for making the lunch such a great success.

NEW ALTARS & FONT WORKS

Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead

Building works for the new altars and font are nearing completion. The font is nearly in position and the confessionals almost ready.

By 4th April most of the works will be completed and by 11th April the contractors will be off site.

Two of the large containers in the top car park have already been removed and the final container will be taken away next week.

It should be normal access into the church on Sunday and Wednesday this week but please be careful when moving around.

EASTER SPRING CLEAN at Our Lady of Consolation

As usual we are organising a special pre-Easter cleaning party for the church and Parish Room which will take place on the morning of Saturday 12 April from 10am. Please come along to help out "the regulars" as this year, following the building works, a spring clean is needed more than ever. Tea, coffee and cake will be provided!

It's good to get an idea of numbers so please "sign up" after Mass at the coffee station, or ring Susan on 01403 710273 to let us know if you plan to come along. Or just turn up on the day.

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.

Journey through Lent Copies of the reflection material are available at both churches.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

On Saturday 5th April, Fr Alan Sharp will preside at the 9.30am and take confessions for those who want a different confessor.

Sandgate Singers Spring Concert

TODAY Sunday 30th March 7.30pm at Our Lady of England Church Storrington.
Tickets £15 (including refreshments) on the door.



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

Hard Cases Don't Make Good Law: Assisted Suicide Webinar, 3 April, 6.30pm, online.
For details go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?ct=t>

Young Adults' (18-30) 24 Hours of Adoration
4-5 April, St Richard's Catholic Church, Chichester, PO19 1XB. Accompany Jesus overnight, with sung adoration, Stations of the Cross, Mass and confession. Food will be provided, with an overnight stay in the church hall.

Finding God in the Everyday, 5 April, 10.30am-1.30pm, Worth School, RH10 4SB.
A light lunch is available (cost: £5). For details and to register go to <https://worthabbey.net/finding-god-in-the-everyday-a-lenten-talk-by-fr-martin-mcgee/?ct=t>

MESSY CHURCH Wednesday 9th April 3.45pm to 5.45pm at the Billingshurst Centre. For families of primary aged children. Bible story, games, messy crafts, and a cooked tea.

Chrism Mass, 16 April, 6pm, Arundel Cathedral. People from across our diocesan family of faith are invited to join Bishop Richard and members of clergy at the annual Chrism Mass – one of the most beautiful Masses of the year, celebrated in Catholic cathedrals across the world in Holy Week. All are welcome.

Bishop Richard is leading a special **Jubilee Year pilgrimage to Walsingham** this summer (Friday 6 June to Sunday 8 June), with people across our community of faith invited to mark the 60th anniversary of our diocese and Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year, by taking part. To find out more visit <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/ocoptzuo?ct=t>

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

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>

USEFUL CONTACTS

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MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 30th MARCH 2025

Sunday 30 th March 4 th 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent	9.15am Mass St. Gabriel's 11.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>In thanksgiving</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 31 st March	12 noon Mass St. John the Evangelist, Horsham	-
Tuesday 1 st April	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's	<i>Robert Gustav Fischel RIP</i>
Wednesday 2 nd April	11.00am Adoration & Benediction 12 noon Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>Canon Cyril Shepherd RIP</i>
Thursday 3 rd April	7.00pm Mass St. Gabriel's	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Friday 4 th April	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's followed by Adoration	<i>Andrew Hall & Maureen Daniels RIP</i>
Saturday 5 th April	9.30am Mass St. Gabriel's followed by Adoration & Benediction	<i>Zander Ventour RIP</i>
Sunday 6 th April 5 th Sunday of Lent Passiontide	9.15am Mass St. Gabriel's 11.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>For the wellbeing of Ruth & Helena Malone</i>

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

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

	30 th March	6 th April
9.15am Welcomers	Graham Dow Ann Lewis	Marguerite D'Urban-Jackson Lucy Cooper
9.15am Readers	Alex Martens Christine Babiye	Sara Tremlett Sue Petritz
9.15am Collectors	Brian Richards Vijay Anthony	Vijay Anthony tbc
Children's Liturgy	Kevin Rourke Jasmin Tapleras	Denise Bass Rachel Hogarth
9.15am Minister of the Eucharist	Sue Petritz	Margaret Steed
9.15am Counters	Chris & Denise Bass	Alex & Andre Manko
9.15am Coffee	Nigel & Janet King	Imelda Acs Mary Lewcock
Readers 11.15am	Bernadette Dobbe Kate Robertson	Christopher Fecher Robin Landells

Readings for 6th April: St. Gabriel's 1st Reading: Isaiah 43:16 - 21 Psalm: 126
2nd Reading: Philippians 3: 8 - 14 Gospel: John 8: 1 - 11
Our Lady of Consolation 3rd Scrutiny 1st Reading: Ezekiel 37: 12 - 14 Psalm: 130
2nd Reading: Romans 8: 8 - 11 Gospel: John 11: 1 - 45

PARISH GIVING 23rd March

St. Gabriel's: £180.00 Walsingham: £ 76.33
Tea/Coffee Lourdes Fund: £ 11.65
Our Lady of Consolation: £100.15 Walsingham: £135.00
Lent Lunch Lourdes Fund: £ 70.00

The Parish Office is open on Tuesdays 10am - 12 noon and Fridays 10am - 1pm. Deadline for newsletter items is 12 noon on Thursday.