

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.



2nd 'Low' Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

27th April 2025

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RIP

The Requiem Mass for Gina Dias will take place on Friday 2nd May at 12 noon in St. Gabriel's.

There will be a private family funeral for Sue Sherlock with burial early in May. On Friday 30th May at 11am A Mass of Thanksgiving for Sue's Life will be celebrated at St Gabriel's with parishioners, Lourdes pilgrims, local friends and family ...('bright and cheerful in dress and spirit' asked Sue.)

PRAYER FOR POPE FRANCIS

Lord Jesus, you have called Pope Francis to yourself. Thank you for the gift of his papacy. When he was with us, he tirelessly showed the Church your constant mercy toward sinners. Grant him now your mercy and let him rest eternally with you in your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mass for the Pope Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass for the Repose of the Pope's Soul at Arundel Cathedral at 11am today Sunday 27 April. All are welcome. To watch the Mass via livestream go to www.abdiocese.org.uk/livestream

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers Adele, Arthur, Egiziaca, Lilybeth and Thomas who are coming towards the end of their preparation for First Holy Communion. They will receive the sacrament during the Masses on Sunday 15th June and will have their 'Going Forth' Mass at 9.15am on 22nd June at St. Gabriel's followed by a celebration in the Hall to which everyone is invited.

Blessed Carlo Acutis The canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis has been postponed following the death of Pope Francis.

Carlo is an inspiration not only to the young but to all generations for his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Carlo used to describe the Eucharist as a 'highway to heaven'.

"The more we receive Jesus," he used to say, "the more we become like Jesus."

Blessed Carlo Acutis, pray for us.



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



Our congratulations go to Charlotte Law who was baptised on Easter Sunday at Our Lady of Consolation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

14th June

Music Evening & Fundraiser for the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund at St. Gabriel's

5th July

AGM followed by a picnic at St. Gabriel's

6th September

12 noon Mass with Bishop Richard including blessing of new altars, font & confessionals at Our Lady of Consolation

followed by a reception in the grounds

13th September

Harvest Lunch at Our Lady of Consolation

19th September

New Parishioners' Evening at St. Gabriel's

PILGRIMAGES AT OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION

The Bournemouth Oratory This week we welcome the Bournemouth Oratory who are making a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Consolation on Thursday 1st May. The pilgrimage will include a celebration of Mass at 12 noon.

As always, a number of parishioners are giving up their time to help with the pilgrimage. If you interested in finding out what happens on a pilgrimage and would like to come along on the day, possibly with a view to helping in the future, please email Linda at

pilgrimage.westgrinstead@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

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

Please pray for all the sick clergy of the diocese.

Pray too for the repose of the souls of Pope Francis, Gordon Akehurst, Sue Sherlock, Gina Dias, plus 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.

Divine Mercy Sunday TODAY 27th April. Starting at 3pm at St Peter's, Shoreham, we invite you to join us in observing a Holy Hour of Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Confessions, followed by Benediction at 4.00pm. For more information email: adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk.

Days of Reflection, 10 & 27 May, 9.30am-4pm, Franciscan Centre Ladywell, GU7 1ST (Cost: £25). These retreat days welcome all who seek renewal, inspiration, and fellowship in a warm and inviting atmosphere. A delicious lunch, prepared with Franciscan hospitality, will be provided. To book email franciscancentre@ladywell.org.uk or phone 01483 675575.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - Leaders Event - Please note that as this event coincided with Pope Francis' funeral, it has been rescheduled to Saturday 24 May 2025.

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/ocoptzuu?ct=t>

Grandparents' Pilgrimage - Worth Abbey - 11 June 10am - 3.30pm
A day of reflection and friendship. Join us for Mass, time to pray together and the wonderful opportunity to talk to fellow grandparents, sharing your experience and the joys and challenges of family life. To register your place go to <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events> and then follow the Grandparents' Pilgrimage link. We look forward to seeing you there.

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>

Bookings have opened for the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton **Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage 2025 "Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope"** 9 - 23 August. This year's route will visit every deanery in the Diocese, with pilgrims welcome to join the group for a day, a few days, or the whole 2 weeks. To find out more and book your place go to <https://thepilgrims.org.uk/wp/2025-jubilee-pilgrimage-of-hope-join-us-and-spread-the-word/>

PARISH GIVING 20th APRIL
St. Gabriel's
Easter Offering: £1,751.66
Collection for Holy Places: £178.90
Our Lady of Consolation
Easter Offering: £1,905.36
Collection for Holy Places: £218.20

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MASSES FOR EASTER WEEK BEGINNING 27 th APRIL 2025		
2nd 'Low' Sunday of Easter 27th April <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	<i>St. Gabriel's</i> 9.15am Mass <i>Our Lady of Consolation</i> 11.15am Mass	<i>Jacqui, Joe & Stella</i> <i>Mesquita RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 28th April <i>Sol. St. George,</i> <i>Martyr, Patron of</i> <i>England</i>	<i>St. John the Evangelist,</i> <i>Horsham</i> 12 noon Mass	-
Tuesday 29th April <i>Feast St. Catherine of</i> <i>Siena, Doctor, Patron</i> <i>of Europe</i>	<i>St. Gabriel's</i> 9.30am Mass	<i>Denis & Winifred</i> <i>Yates RIP</i>
Wednesday 30th April <i>Mem. St. Pius V, Pope</i>	<i>Our Lady of Consolation</i> 11.00am Adoration, Confessions & Benediction 12 noon Mass	<i>Daniel Bennett RIP</i>
Thursday 1st May <i>Mem. St. Joseph the</i> <i>Worker</i>	<i>Our Lady of Consolation</i> 12 noon Mass St. Gabriel's NO MASS	
Friday 2nd May	<i>St. Gabriel's</i> 12 noon Requiem Mass	<i>Gina Dias RIP</i>
Saturday 3rd May <i>Feast Ss. Philip &</i> <i>James, Apostles</i>	<i>St. Gabriel's</i> 9.30am Mass	<i>Ints. of the</i> <i>McDonough family</i>
3rd Sunday of Easter 4th May	<i>St. Gabriel's</i> 9.15am Mass <i>Our Lady of Consolation</i> 11.15am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Souls of Benefactors</i> <i>& Intentions of those</i> <i>associated with the</i> <i>Shrine</i>

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

	27 th April	4 th May
9.15am Welcomers	Marguerite D'Urban-Jackson Jacqui Merridew	Maria Raccagni Claire Fairlie
9.15am Readers	Gary Richards Karen Goldsmith	Brian Richards Lucy Cooper
9.15am Collectors	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke	Jasmin Tapleras Valeria de Souza Gray
Children's Liturgy	Easter Break - no session	tbc
9.15am Minister of the Eucharist	Denise Bass	Sue Petritz
9.15am Counters	Alex & Andre Manko	Sara Tremlett Alex Martens
9.15am Coffee	Cooper family	Jacqui Merridew Rochelle Braganza
Readers 11.15am	Jayda Belmore Bertha Belmore	Gay Davenport Phil Bleasdale

Readings for 20th April: 1st Reading: Acts 5: 27b - 32, 40b - 41 Psalm: 30
2nd Reading: Revelation 5: 11 – 14 Gospel: John 21: 1 - 19

It only takes a few moments to ask your MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. The charity **"Right to Life"** has a simple online mechanism at <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote?ct=t>