

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.

Solemnity of All Saints

2nd November 2025

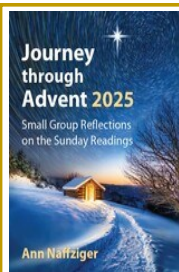
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BLESSING OF GRAVES

TODAY 2nd November - St Gabriel's after 9.15am Mass

TODAY 2nd November - Our Lady of Consolation after 11.15am Mass

TODAY 2nd November - Hills Cemetery, Horsham at 3pm



JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT 2025

A parish small faith-sharing group will be meeting in Billingshurst to reflect together on the forthcoming Advent Sunday readings and consider how we try to live out this Word of God in our daily lives. Excellent user-friendly materials supplied. Learn, share

and pray together! 4 enjoyable and inspiring sessions: Wednesday evenings 7.15 - 8.45 pm; starts November 26, then Dec 3, 10, 17. If you are interested in signing up please contact Karen on 07710 279157 or

email: karen.goldsmith21@gmail.com (Places are limited and priority is given to those wanting to attend all 4 sessions).

If anyone is willing to lead or host an additional group, (perhaps for a few friends/ neighbours) using the material, Karen will be happy to help you set this up!

ADVENT SCRIPTURE GROUP

If you would like to know more about the Sunday texts of Isaiah and Matthew join us in the Church hall Mondays November 24th, December 1st, 8th & 15th at 6.30-7.15 pm. A typical session: Welcome, intro, look at Sunday Readings understanding the texts and background of Isaiah & Matthew with time for Q's, closing prayer. Led by Sue Petritz MA.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ALL SOULS' DAY- 3rd NOVEMBER (transferred this year from the 2nd November)

The Catholic Church teaches that the purification of the souls in purgatory can be assisted by the actions of the faithful on earth. Its teaching is based also on the practice of prayer for the dead mentioned as far back as 2 Maccabees 12:42-46. The theological basis for the feast is the doctrine that the souls which, on departing from the body, are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past transgressions, are debarred from the Beatific vision, and that the faithful on earth can help them by prayers, alms, deeds, and especially by the sacrifice of the Holy Mass. Mass will be at 12 noon at Our Lady of Consolation.

All Souls Day, Remembrance Sunday and parish requiems can trigger painful memories and parishioners may not be aware that the **MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION** offers emotional support to anyone who may need it. This is a completely confidential and free service offering one to one support in your own home. There is no time limit - it can be weeks, months or even years after a bereavement. If you feel you would benefit from this kind of support, there are leaflets at both churches or you can contact the Parish Office.

Next Sunday 9th November we will recall the Dedication of the Basilica of Saint John Lateran, the Pope's own church, the Cathedral of Rome. The Lateran was chosen as the Cathedral Rome long before Saint Peter's was built. It is where the papacy was housed for centuries before moving across the Tiber to where Vatican City now stands.

RIP

The Requiem Mass for Mark Forster will be at Our Lady of Consolation on Wednesday 12th November at 12 noon.

Children's Liturgy continues during the 9.15am Mass on the 9th, 16th and 23rd November.

PARISH PRAYER LIST Prayers for Ruth & Helena Malone, Christine Wylie, John Blythe, Maricel Walka, Pat Cox, John Gladman, Mary Gleeson, Philip Baker and all the sick or housebound of the parish.

Please pray for Canon Colin Wolczak and all the sick clergy of the diocese.

Pray for the repose of the souls of Mark Forster, Dom Kevin Taggart OSB, Fr John Horn and 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.



November's newsletter is on display on the noticeboards at both churches and can be read online at Sue's church page blog.

"Lord, teach us to pray", 7 Wednesdays from 5 November, 7-8pm, online (Cost: £55). Prayer helps us realise that God is already closer to us than we can imagine. This course will look at different ways of praying, with emphasis on the relationship with God they foster, rather than techniques to be mastered. To register go to <https://www.christian-retreat.org/our-programme/lordteachustoprayer?ct=t>

Pilgrim Virgin Statue and Fatima Relics, 8 November. Arundel Cathedral is hosting the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and relics of Ss Jacinta and Francisco. The day includes the celebration of Mass, a procession and enthronement of the statue and opportunities to venerate the saints' relics, with the rosary and a number of talks. For details go to <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/udvkxhjw?ct=t>

Lighthouse: Illuminate your life in Christ, 15 November, 10.30am, St Joseph's Church, Guildford. Join a day of charismatic renewal; worship together, be immersed in the Holy Spirit and receive prayer ministry from experienced teams. Theme: "Pilgrims of Hope: Love that Builds Bridges". Please bring lunch. Go to <https://www.abcharismatic.org/be-immersed-in-the-holy-spirit-at-lighthouse-in-guildford/?ct=t> for details.

Christ's Hospital Choral Society's Autumn Concert is to be held on 15th November at 7.30pm in the Chapel at Christ's Hospital featuring Dvorak's 'Mass in D major', Durante's 'Magnificat' and Tarik O'Regan's 'Triptych'. Tickets £15 in advance £20 at the door from www.chchoralsoc.org or 01403 247434.

Taxation & CST, 20 November, 6pm (online). Chaired by Bishop Richard, this webinar will explore taxation and Catholic Social Teaching. The webinar is being held at an important time in the Government's fiscal timetable, with the Budget statement due the following week. Register at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7QoOtp3mIKczqiw?ct=t>

Staying Human: Useless Lives? 21 November, 6.30pm, online. This Together for the Common Good lecture will examine the advance of assisted suicide and the profound cultural shift signalled by current legislation, into an age where death is presented as a solution to what some refer to as 'useless lives.' For more information go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/staying-human-being-a-person-in-the-age-of-ai-tickets-1613679481769?ct=t>

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MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 2nd November 2025

Sunday 2nd November Solemnity of All Saints	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>Cyril & Arulama</i> <i>Morais RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 3rd November <i>All Souls Day</i>	<u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 12 noon Mass	
Tuesday 4th November <i>Mem. St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass	<i>Wellbeing of Anne & Chris Gabriel</i>
Wednesday 5th November	<u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.00am Adoration, Confessions & Benediction 12 noon Mass	<i>Souls of Benefactors & intentions of those associated with the Shrine</i>
Thursday 6th November	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 7pm Mass	<i>50th anniversary</i> <i>Cardinal Heenan RIP</i>
Friday 7th November <i>Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration	<i>Stephen Morey</i>
Saturday 8th November <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration, Confessions & Benediction	<i>Past priests of the parish</i>
Sunday 9th November The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>Pedro's intentions</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

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

	2nd November	9th November
9.15am Welcomers	Jacqui Merridew Maria Raccagni	Mike Moriarty Clare Muggeridge
9.15am Readers	Shirly Anthony Karen Goldsmith	Gary Richards Margaret Steed
9.15am Collectors	Jasmin Tapleras tbc	Valeria de Souza Gray Jasmin Tapleras
Children's Liturgy	NO SESSION	Rachel Hogarth Mary Tempest
9.15am Ministers of the Eucharist	Denise Bass Sarah Cooper Anna Cooper	Sue Pirie Vijay Anthony Denis Woodhouse
9.15am Counters	Vicky McGee Brian O'Connor	Alex & Andre Manko
9.15am Coffee	The Cooper family	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke
Readers 11.15am	Kate Robertson Robin Landells	Pat Meed Jenny Marsden

Readings for 2nd November: 1st Reading: Ezekiel 47: 1 - 2, 8 - 9, 12 Psalm: 46
2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 3: 9c - 11, 16—17 Gospel: John 2: 13 - 22

PARISH GIVING 26th OCTOBER

St. Gabriel's Collection: £199.00
Our Lady of Consolation Collection: £394.72

Sunday 9th November at Our Lady of Consolation there will be Extraordinary Form Latin Mass at 3pm. All are welcome.