

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.



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

HELP WANTED A number of volunteers have stepped down from the coffee rota at St. Gabriel's. Are you able to join the team in September? Contact Jasmin if you can help: 07875 223175.

UPDATE ON REFURBISHMENT OF ST. GABRIEL'S HALL

The refurbishment has started very well, with K&G stripping out the ceiling, lights and heaters in the main hall. The male and female toilets have also been stripped out. Following this the ceiling in the main hall has had fire resistant "pink" plasterboard installed and the replacement acoustic tiles have begun to be installed. The replacement heaters are in position and an electrical supply has been installed for the proposed overhead projector. M. Berwick has stripped out the flooring in the main hall, entrance lobby and all three toilets. New flooring has been installed in these toilets. No unexpected problems have arisen and the project remains on schedule. Also, many thanks to all who helped clear out the hall after Mass last Sunday. Many hands did indeed make light work of the job. Brian

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS

Copies of Pope Leo's Encyclical Letter on safeguarding the human person in the time of artificial intelligence are available at St. Gabriel's priced £6.95.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Prayers for Ruth & Helena Malone, Pat Cox, John Gladman, Mary Gleeson, Philip Baker, John Blythe and all the sick or housebound of the parish.

Please pray for Fr Sebastian Paul, Canon Colin Wolczak and all the sick clergy of the diocese. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Deacon John Lamb who died on Thursday.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th August 2026

Year A - Divine Office Week 3

PRAYER FOR OUR BISHOP- ELECT

'O God, eternal and loving Shepherd,
we bless and thank you for the appointment of your servant, Stephen, to our Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.
May your Holy Spirit grace him with a spirit of counsel and fortitude, a spirit of knowledge and piety,
so that he may gently and courageously sanctify, teach and govern the Church of Arundel and Brighton as we work together to build up the kingdom of heaven.
May he be a shepherd after your own heart,
who, with compassion and wise discernment, will care for and lead your people with the joy of the Gospel.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.'

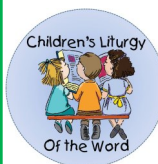
NOT A CATHOLIC?

But interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith with a view perhaps of being received into the Catholic Church or Baptised? The parish will be starting a new group in September, please contact Canon Tim if you would like to take part:

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Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill

The issue of assisted suicide - which is strongly opposed by the Catholic Church - has returned to the Houses of Parliament, following the failure of MP Kim Leadbeater's Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill to make it through the necessary legislative stages in time to become law. Members of Parliament will debate and vote on the Assisted Dying Bill, on Friday 11 September. To register your opposition, please contact your MP - even if you have already written to them about this issue before. Charity Right to Life has a quick and easy way to do this:
<https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote>
Find out more at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/faqs-assisted-suicide/>



Children's Liturgy during the 9.15am Mass is taking a break for the summer. It will return on Sunday 13th September.

Would you like to join the Children's Liturgy team to lead some sessions in the autumn? Resources, support and guidance will be provided by our friendly leaders. Please contact the parish office if you would like to help.

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.

St Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles

Exhibition, 23 August-3 September, Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge. Visit this inspiring exhibition, created by St Carlo Acutis and reflect on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, as we prepare to celebrate the first anniversary of St Carlo's canonisation.

Arundel Festival of the Arts Organ Recital:

D'Arcy Trinkwon, 31 August, 1pm, Arundel Cathedral. Join a beautiful lunchtime recital by international concert organist D'Arcy Trinkwon, playing works by Handel, Guilman, Reger, Langlais and Liszt at Arundel Cathedral. Entry is free with a retiring collection. All are very welcome.

Mass for Altar Servers, 12 September, 12 noon, Arundel Cathedral. Fr Aaron Spinelli, Diocesan Director for the Guild of St Stephen, invites all diocesan altar servers to this special Mass for all those who have served, all those who are serving and anybody who would like to serve - all are welcome. Please bring a cassock, cotta or an alb. Holy Mass will be followed by light refreshments (bring a packed lunch). Please email Fr. Aaron to confirm your place:
aaron.spinelli@abdiocese.org.uk

Pilgrimage Walk in the Steps of St Wilfrid:

Saturday 19 September 11am to 4pm All welcome for a reflective pilgrimage walk from Selsey to the medieval church at Church Norton, where St Wilfrid set up his mission to the people of Sussex. Walk and pray through beautiful shoreline countryside. Meet at 11am at Our Lady & St Wilfrid Church, Selsey PO20 0LS. The walk is about 5 miles over uneven footpaths. Please bring a packed lunch. The day concludes with tea, refreshments and discussion in the church hall in Selsey. See www.sussexpilgrimage.com for further details or phone Maria on 07413 267267.

THE EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF BISHOP-ELECT STEPHEN

The Episcopal Ordination of our Bishop-Elect will be celebrated in Arundel Cathedral at 12 noon on Monday 19 October, the Solemnity of Saint Philip Howard. Admission to the Cathedral will, necessarily, be by ticket only.

STATIONAL MASS OF THE NEW BISHOP

Recognising that the numbers will be limited for the Ordination, and wanting to meet as many people as possible soon after that day, our new Bishop will celebrate Mass at Worth Abbey at 11.30am on Saturday 24 October. Arrangements for this Mass will be finalised shortly but it will be ticket only.

PARISH GIVING 2nd AUGUST

St. Gabriel's Collection: £171.00

Our Lady of Consolation Collection: £262.00

MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 9th AUGUST 2026

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9th August	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Kuravilla RIP</i>
Monday 10th August	<u>St. John the Evangelist,</u> <u>Horsham</u> 12 noon Mass	-
Tuesday 11th August <i>Mem. St. Clare, Virgin</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass	<i>Bridget Downes RIP</i>
Wednesday 12th August	<u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.00am Adoration, Confessions & Benediction 12 noon Mass	<i>Oyeyinka Family for God's protection and mercies</i>
Thursday 13th August	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 7pm Mass	<i>Sr. Aelred RIP</i>
Friday 14th August <i>Mem. St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration	<i>Janet Tilley RIP</i>
Saturday 15th August <i>Votive Mass Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration Confessions & Benediction	<i>Michael & Elizabeth McGee RIP</i>
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th August Sol. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>'Barry' & Charles Woodward RIP</i>

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

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

	9th August	16th August
9.15am Welcomers	Shirly & Vijay Anthony	Claire Fairlie Marguerite D'Urban-Jackson
9.15am Readers	Sara Tremlett Lucy Cooper	Anne Kamm Anna Cooper
9.15am Collectors	Vicky Chandler Brian Richards	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke
Children's Liturgy	Summer Break	Summer Break
9.15am Ministers of the Eucharist	Diane Fievez Sue Pirie Tessa Richards	Sarah Cooper Karen Goldsmith Vijay Anthony
9.15am Counters	The Fairlies	Vicky McGee Brian O'Connor
9.15am Coffee	Summer Break	Summer Break
Readers 11.15am	Pat Meed Linda Thompson	Phil Bleasdale Anneli Figura

Readings for 16th August: 1st Reading: Revelation 11: 19a; 12: 1 - 6a, 10ab Psalm: 45
 2nd Reading: Corinthians 15: 20 - 27 Gospel: Luke 1: 39 - 56

Don't have cash? No problem. Use your smartphone to open our online payment portal. Simply open the camera app on your phone and point it at the QR code. This will detect a link for a website that will guide you through making your payment. Payments are accepted for: Weekly Offertory, Second Collections and Repository (Shop).

**USEFUL CONTACTS**

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