

Parish of Our Lady of Consolation and St. Gabriel

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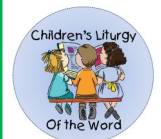
Welcome to the parish of Our Lady of Consolation and St. Gabriel.
If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Canon Tim and complete a new parishioner form available at both churches.

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.

Our **CONGRATULATIONS** go to Adrian Frisby on completing his Street Pastor training. His ministry will be blessed during today's 9.15am Mass at St. Gabriel's.



Children's Liturgy during the 9.15am Mass returns today Sunday 13th September. There will be sessions on 20th & 27th September and on 4th and 11th October.

CFG MEETING This month is on Wednesday 16th September at the home of Helen in Slinfold. If you require a lift or car share please meet in St. Gabriel's church carpark at 10am.



The September newsletter from our diocesan link is available on the noticeboards. You can also access it online at Sue's Church Page blog.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT 2026
Collectors during the offertory please would you count everyone those who attends our Sunday Masses including the choir and those on the sanctuary starting NEXT SUNDAY the 20th September, and then on 27th September, 4th & 11th October. These numbers are reported to the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION
Next Sunday 20th September for Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (Home Mission Sunday).

Lourdes Prayer Network: Mondays with Mary, 14 September, 7.30pm, online. A monthly online gathering led by our Lourdes Assistant Chaplains, extending the Lourdes experience and continuing our pilgrimage prayers. All are welcome. Sign up at <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/xegw6gak>

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.

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.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Education Sunday

13th September 2026

Year A - Divine Office Week 4

TODAY Sunday 13th September is Education Sunday, established by the Bishops in 1848, is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in the liturgical calendar of England and Wales. Education remains the largest charitable activity of the Church in this country. Our forebears rightly saw education as the principal means of handing on the faith and improving the spiritual, moral, social and cultural lives of children and young people. Catholic schools continue to be true to their historical mission. This success, however, continues to be dependent on the support of the Catholic community. We pray to Almighty God for all people involved in Catholic education, celebrate the achievements of the past and ask Our Lord to bless the work of the year ahead.

There will be a 2nd collection for the Catholic Education Service.

SYCAMORE Exploring Faith Together: Autumn Short Course

SYCAMORE PROGRAMME starting Saturday, 19th September for 7 Saturdays. There is still time to put your name forward to join the group meetings. Here is some information for those who are interested but maybe unsure.

Attending all 7 sessions provides the best experience, but don't worry if you have to miss one. You can catch up online at sycamore.fm or via the Sycamore Print Book.

Food & Dietary Needs: Food will be served at each session. Please let us know about any allergies or dietary requirements so we can cater for you.

Whilst donations are welcome, no payment is required to participate in the course.

Please email or phone the parish office to add your name. We look forward to seeing you on the 19th! If you can't come (and even if you can) please support the course with your prayers.

Registration is now open for this year's **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** preparation classes. If you have a child who is seven years old or older—typically in Year Three—they are eligible to begin this sacramental journey. Classes will begin on Saturday November 7th 2026. Registration forms can be found at the back of the church or by contacting the parish office. Please submit your forms before September 27th 2026 so we can order class materials in time. Thank you!

Is Our Lady calling to you to Lourdes in 2027?

Save these dates now if you are considering joining the diocesan pilgrimage: 23rd - 29th July for travelling by air & 22nd - 30th July if travelling by coach or Jumbulance (these dates differ from those given in the 2026 handbook).

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.

Arundel & Brighton Young Adults Retreat

Days in the Diocese - Standard ticket price £20 Young Adults (18-35) are invited to join the Youth team from the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton for Retreat Days in parishes across the diocese. An opportunity to meet other young adults outside of your own parish community for fellowship, formation and faith. Our first retreat day in the series is at St Wilfrid's Church in Burgess Hill on Saturday 26th September. To find out more and book your place go to <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/zxkhkfjh>

Friends of Arundel Cathedral Talk: People of the Sea: A Hidden World, 10 October, 2-4pm, Arundel Cathedral Centre (Cost: £15). A talk by Deacon Roger Stone BEM, a former Stella Maris Senior Port Chaplain, reflecting on ministering to seafarers and their families. Find out more and book at <https://arundelcathedralfriends.uk>

Bishop-elect Stephen Wang's Mass of

Episcopal Ordination, 19 October, 12 noon, Arundel Cathedral. Fr Stephen's Episcopal Ordination will include invited representatives from across our family of faith, with people across our Diocese invited to join the celebration online. To access Arundel Cathedral's livestream go to <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/livestream>

LOOKING AHEAD... The Abbot Stephen Ortiger Memorial Concert is being held on 22 November at 7.15pm at Worth Abbey. Cost £16.50 per person. Net proceeds from this event will be split 50:50 between the Fr Stephen Ortiger Bursary Fund and the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Lourdes Pilgrimage. See poster for details.

PARISH GIVING 6th SEPTEMBER

St. Gabriel's	Collection:	£210.62
	August Standing Orders:	£1,663.00
Our Lady of Consolation	Collection:	£301.10
	August Standing Orders:	£1,322.00

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MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 13th SEPTEMBER 2026

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th September <i>Education Sunday</i>	St. Gabriel's 9.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation 11.15am Mass	Lucy Morais RIP People of the Parish
Monday 14th September	St. John the Evangelist, Horsham 12 noon Mass	-
Tuesday 15th September <i>Mem. Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	St. Gabriel's 9.30am Mass	
Wednesday 16th September <i>Mem. Ss. Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i>	Our Lady of Consolation 11.00am Adoration, Confessions & Benediction 12 noon Mass	Annamma RIP
Thursday 17th September	St. Gabriel's 7pm Mass	Stacey Dougan & Callum Dunstall RIP
Friday 18th September	St. Gabriel's 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration	
Saturday 19th September <i>Mem. St. Theodore of Tarsus, Bishop</i>	St. Gabriel's 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration Confessions & Benediction	A private intention
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th September <i>Evangelii Gaudium Day</i>	St. Gabriel's 9.15am Mass Our Lady of Consolation 11.15am Mass	People of the Parish Chanza RIP

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

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

	13 th September	20 th September
9.15am Welcomers	Shirly & Vijay Anthony	Graham Dow
9.15am Readers	Peregrine Kiyonga Twaye Lucy Cooper	Sara Tremlett Diane Fievez
9.15am Collectors	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke	Vijay Anthony Brian Richards
Children's Liturgy	Rachel Hogarth Janet King	Kevin Rourke Jasmin Tapleras
9.15am Ministers of the Eucharist	Sue Pirie Sarah Cooper Diane Fievez	Margaret Steed Tessa Richards Karen Goldsmith
9.15am Counters	Vicky McGee Brian O'Connor	Chris & Denise Bass
9.15am Coffee	Imela Acs Jasmin Tapleras	Janet & Nigel King
Readers 11.15am	Pat Meed Carol Cooper	Gay Davenport Pat Meed
Readings for 20th September: 1 st Reading: Isaiah 55: 6 – 9 Psalm: 145 2 nd Reading: Philippians 1: 20c - 24, 27a Gospel: Matthew 20: 1 - 16		

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).

