

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.



Children's Liturgy during the 9.15am
Mass today Sunday 27th September
and then on 4th and 11th October.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT 2026

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



Tinned meat, instant hot
chocolate, soup, shampoo,
conditioner, shower gel, tinned
tomatoes & instant cup a soup.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, use parish QR code, donate online at <https://cafod.org.uk> or call 0303 303 3030. See Tayla's story at <https://vimeo.com/cafodtv/>

SECOND COLLECTIONS

4th October CAFOD Family Fast Day (2nd October)
11th October Prisoners' Sunday
18th October World Mission Sunday

PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

Please pray for Fr Sebastian Paul,
Canon Colin Wolczak, Fr. Aaron
Spinelli 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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Solemnity of St. Gabriel

27th September 2026

Year A - Divine Office Week 2

Solemnity of St. Gabriel the Archangel

O Blessed Archangel Gabriel, we beseech thee, do thou intercede for us at the throne of divine Mercy in our present necessities, that as thou didst announce to Mary the mystery of the Incarnation, so through thy prayers and patronage in heaven we may obtain the benefits of the same, and sing the praise of God forever in the land of the living.
Amen.

Next Sunday 4th October we are pleased to welcome Mgr. Richard Madders to the parish. He will preside at both the 9.15am and 11.15am Masses.

Next Sunday 4th October the congregation at both churches will celebrate the feast of St. Francis. The readings will be: 1st Genesis 12:1 - 4, Psalm 16, 2nd Galatians 6:14 -18 Gospel Matthew 11:25 - 30.

Families and young children are welcome here

Please don't feel embarrassed if your child makes noise during Mass. Sometimes a shout or a squeal is simply their way of joining in! Children are the future of our parish, and feeling at home in church starts when they are little.
If you need to step outside with your child for a breather, we understand. Please come back in whenever you're ready. Soft toys may help keep little hands busy; we ask that you leave hard toys at home.

THE CFG ANNUAL AUTUMN FAYRE

Sunday October 18th in St. Gabriel's Church hall after the 9.15am Mass. ALL proceeds will go to TEN LITTLE TOES. Gifts for ALL the stalls ----- especially the Tombola, will be gratefully received. No adult books please. Boxes will be in the porch for your donations and It would be helpful if gifts weren't brought on the day. Thank you for support.

Fr Stephen Wang shares a simple introduction to prayer

Bishop-elect Stephen offers a simple, practical introduction to prayer. "Prayer is wonderful," he says, "prayer is so important, but prayer can be hard as well. How many times have people come up to me as a priest and said, 'Father, I want to pray, but I don't know how to start. I don't know what to do, and I feel a bit stuck...'
You can watch his reflection How to Pray When You Don't Know How to Pray at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jnVi7K8bWJE>

TODAY Sunday 27th September at Our Lady of Consolation there will be Extraordinary Form Latin Mass at 3pm. All are welcome.

Lourdes Prayer Network: Mondays with Mary, 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://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

Petworth Area Churches Together Autumn Lecture 2026

7.30pm on Friday 9th October at St. Peter Ad Vincula Church, Wisborough Green. Roger Ellis will speak on 'The Church of the Future' Free Entry. Wine and Canapés. Parking in the Village Hall Car Park.

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...

Lay Community of St Benedict: Teens' Weekend - Let your light shine! 30 October-1 November, Worth Abbey (Cost: £100). For anyone in Years 7-13, a party weekend with games, a fancy dress competition and on Saturday a Light Party - celebrating the fact that we are part of the family of Saints! Find out more and sign up at <https://www.lcsb.uk/teenagers>

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.

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).

PARISH GIVING 20th SEPTEMBER

St. Gabriel's	Collection:	£166.00
	Evangelii Gaudium Sunday:	£116.82
Our Lady of Consolation	Collection:	£174.47
	Evangelii Gaudium Sunday:	£144.17

USEFUL CONTACTS

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MASSES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 27th SEPTEMBER 2026

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th September <i>Sol. St. Gabriel</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>Jacqui, Joe & Stella Mesquita RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 28th September	<u>St. John the Evangelist, Horsham</u> 12 noon Mass	-
Tuesday 29th September <i>Feast Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> NO MASS	
Wednesday 30th September <i>Mem. St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor</i>	<u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.00am Adoration, Confessions & Benediction 12 noon Mass	<i>Conversion of Jeffrey family</i>
Thursday 1st October <i>Mem. St. Therese of Lisieux, Virgin, Doctor</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 7pm Mass	<i>Al & Lilian Sanders & Sandra de Havilland RIP</i>
Friday 2nd October <i>Mem. The Holy Guardian Angels</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass	<i>Fr. Alan Sharpe RIP</i>
Saturday 3rd October <i>Mem. The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.30am Mass followed by Adoration Confessions & Benediction	<i>Intentions of Canon Tim</i>
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4th October <i>Feast of St. Francis of Assisi</i>	<u>St. Gabriel's</u> 9.15am Mass <u>Our Lady of Consolation</u> 11.15am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Intentions of Kunjumolo, Matthew & Alfred</i>

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK

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

	27 th September	4 th October
9.15am Welcomers	Lucy Cooper Claire Fairlie	Clare Muggeridge Mike Moriarty
9.15am Readers	Miss Lucy Cooper Karen Goldsmith	Ethan Dalton-Akehurst Lucy Cooper
9.15am Collectors	Vicky Chandler Jasmin Tapleras	Jacqui & Kevin Rourke
Children's Liturgy	Sarah Cooper Catherine Law	Rachel Hogarth Janet King
9.15am Ministers of the Eucharist	Diane Fievez Vijay Anthony Sue Pirie	Sarah Cooper Margaret Steed Sue Petritz
9.15am Counters	Adrian Frisby Chris Bass	The Fairlies
9.15am Coffee	Cooper Family	Debbie Thurley Gary Richards
Readers 11.15am	Linda Thompson Kate Robertson	Pat Meed Jenny Marsden

Readings for 4th October (27th Ordinary Time): 1st Reading: Isaiah 5: 1 – 7 Psalm: 80
2nd Reading: Philippians 4: 6 - 9 Gospel: Matthew 21: 33 - 43

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).



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