# OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities Year 1 for Weekdays

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Weekend 6th / 7th May 2023

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saturday 6/05 6pm	Battle	The Fifth Sunday of Easter	People of the Parish
Sunday 7/05 <u>8.15am</u>	Northiam		Intention of King Charles III
Sunday 7/05 <u>11.15am</u>	Battle		Intention of King Charles III
Monday 8/05	NO MASS		
Tuesday 9/05 6pm	Battle	Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Eastertide	No Intention
Wednesday 10/05 10am	Battle	Wednesday of Fifth Week of Eastertide	No Intention
Thursday 11/05 6am	Battle	Thursday of the Fifth Week of Eastertide	No Intention
Friday 12/05 10am	Battle	Friday of the Fifth Week of Eastertide	No Intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request

## **Introduction to the Scripture Readings for Sixth Sunday of Easter:**

- First Reading: Acts 8:5-8. 14-17
  The Holy Spirit is given to those who have accepted Christ and been baptised.
- Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

  Peter says that followers of Jesus must be prepared to suffer, just as Christ our Lord suffered for our salvation.
- Gospel: John 14:15-21

Through our love of Christ, we are drawn into the very life of the God who is Father, Son and Spirit.

## We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

*From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:* Margaret Thunder, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Michael Conroy, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Ruth Ayres, Helen Powell, Tom Dodd, Dilys Fraser, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Keith Bourne.

*From St Teresa's:* Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Brian O'Connell, Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Margot Leahy, Jacquelyn Solly, Lawrence Youlten.

Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Guy Hooper, Judith Bridge, Maureen Ashing, Henry Cheung RIP, Gerard Leahy, Mark Clemence RIP, Richard Widenka RIP, Jo Watkins.

- If you used to receive a visit from one of our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Special Ministers), please contact the office on 01424 773125 if you would like these visits to recommence, with a Minister or with Fr Richard direct on 07578 725914 or email <a href="mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk">battle@abdiocese.org.uk</a>.
- Fr Richard is happy to receive Mass Intentions, please pop them in the new letter box outside the office, or let Maggie know on 773125, e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk, thank you.
- If you wish to follow a live Mass please follow this link from our Diocesan website <a href="https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream">https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream</a> or via <a href="https://www.churchservices.tv/">https://www.churchservices.tv/</a>

Please join us in the Church on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May for live streaming of King Charles' Coronation. The Church will be open from 9.30am and refreshments will be available in the Parish Room. Everyone is very welcome!



• **Battle Foodbank** – Foodbank needs this week are Jars of Pasta Sauce; Tins of Spaghetti Hoops: Tins of Fruit; Cartons of Apple or Orange Juice and Sweet Treats not chocolate - any

toiletries are always welcomed.

- **CAFOD: Did you know** that Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love caritas is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." For decades CAFOD has spoken out against injustice. To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to <u>cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns</u>. Thanks once again for your support in encouraging your parishioners to remember our global family.
- The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am 12.30pm.
- Fr Richard and the Parish Pastoral Team send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes.

## **News from our Diocese**

The Diocese is recruiting a part time Safeguarding Administrator based at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. The successful post holder will process Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks for diocesan parishes, volunteers and teams with full training given. For an informal discussion about the role please contact the Safeguarding Office Manager, Bethany Arthur; T: 01293 651148 or E: <a href="mailto:safeguarding@abdiocese.org.uk">safeguarding@abdiocese.org.uk</a>. For further details and to apply visit W: <a href="www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/soa">www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/soa</a>. The deadline for applications is 19 May 2023.

The Diocese is recruiting a part time Senior Administrator for the diocesan Tribunal, based at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. The Tribunal team handles marriage cases, including supporting those seeking marriage annulment. The successful post holder will report to the Judicial Vicar and must have excellent interpersonal skills and a pastoral approach. Role begins 1 September 2023. For further details about the role or to apply visit W: <a href="www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/sat">www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/sat</a>. The deadline for applications is 12 noon on Friday 26 May 2023. Interviews will take place Tuesday 6 June 2023.

#### Diocesan run events

# > Online Talk for Young Adults (18-35) - Monday 15 May at 7.30pm

The next session in the series 'A Call to Holiness – Living out your Baptismal Vocation'. The title of the talk which will be delivered by Fr Rod Jones OSB is 'Removing the Splinter' and will focus on the things we may need to ask Jesus to heal, in order to allow us to follow him more closely. E: <a href="mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk">lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</a> for more information.

➤ TheASCENT for young people (15-18) – Tuesday 23 May at 7.30pm

This brilliant programme for teens includes regular retreats at Worth Abbey and a great opportunity for them to make wonderful Catholic friends to provide mutual support as they strive to live out their faith. This is an online session hosted by the Diocesan Youth Adviser for anyone who would like to find out more.

E: <u>lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</u> for details. Poster attached.

# **➤** Mental Health Champions

Our Parish communities should be places of comfort and solace for the troubled and weary, and in today's society, one of the great struggles people face is mental ill health. Would you like to support mental wellbeing in your Parish, ensuring that it reaches out to those in need? Contact <a href="mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk">lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</a> to find out more about the upcoming Mental Health Champion training days.

- ➤ Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead Wednesday 14 June 2023 11am 3pm. Bishop Richard looks forward to meeting all those of a more senior generation at our annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at West Grinstead. Please bring your friends and a picnic for what is always a wonderful day of faith, friendship and recollection. For further information and to book, please go to the Diocesan website event calendar or click on the link: Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead (14-Jun-2023) · ChurchSuite Events Poster attached.
- ➤ Engaged Couples Mass at Arundel Cathedral Friday 16 June 7pm

  Join Bishop Richard for a special Mass celebrating the momentous journey of discernment that is engagement towards the lifelong commitment made by couples preparing for marriage. Join us afterwards for a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. We look forward to meeting many engaged couples from across the Diocese and sharing in their joy. For further information and to book, please go to the Diocesan website event calendar or click on the link Mass for Engaged Couples (16-Jun-2023) · ChurchSuite Events Poster attached.
- To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar W: <a href="https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events">https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events</a>

## Externally run events/items

- ➤ SJOG Homes for Ukraine is seeking hosts to open their homes to individuals and families displaced by the ongoing war in Ukraine. As an official provider of the government programme, SJOG Homes for Ukraine provides matching, training and ongoing support to hosts and guests. This can be an opportunity for you to change someone's life and provide them with a safe place. If you are interested in becoming a host, you can register your interest here W: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/DFYUneZ7nC">https://forms.office.com/r/DFYUneZ7nC</a>. For more information about the project please visit our website at W: <a href="https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/">https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/</a>, reach out to us directly on E: <a href="https://sjog-nomesforukraine@sjog.org.uk">homesforukraine.uk/</a>, reach out to us directly on E: <a href="https://sjog.org.uk">homesforukraine@sjog.org.uk</a> or visit our Facebook page at F: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/sjoghomesforukraine">facebook.com/sjoghomesforukraine</a>.
- ➤ Chilworth Abbey Study Day Saturday 3 June 2023
  Led by Fr John Seddon OSB, of Bishop Barron's 'Catholicism', Episode 10, 'World without End: the Last things'. Mass, 9am, talks 10.15am-3.30pm. Bring a packed lunch and a friend if possible. See W: chilworthbenedictines.com for more details.

## **Cardinal Parolin to represent Pope Francis at Coronation**

The Vatican Secretary of State will represent Pope Francis at the Coronation of King Charles III. A statement released by the Holy See Press Office on Thursday said the Cardinal Secretary of State will be present in Westminster Abbey on Saturday 6 May 2023, in representation of the Pope and the Holy See.

The coronation will be the first since Charles's mother, Elizabeth II, who

died in September 2022, was crowned in June 1953.

The ceremony will be transmitted live and in full by Britain's public broadcaster, the BBC.