

**OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL,
BATTLE**

with

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities

Year 1 for Weekdays

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Weekend 17th / 18th June 2023

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 17/06 6pm	Battle	The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Grace McAdie, RIP
Sunday 18/06 9am	Northiam		Intention of Madeleine Salter
Sunday 18/06 10.45am	Battle		People of the Parish
Monday 19/06	NO MASS		
Tuesday 20/06 6pm	Battle	Tuesday of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	Mass of Thanksgiving for Martin & Pam Ashing
Wednesday 21/06 10am	Battle	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	Claire Ashing, RIP
Thursday 22/06 6am	Battle	Feast of Saints John Fisher and Thomas More	No Intention
Friday 23/06 10am	Battle	Friday of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time	John Ammon, RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

- **First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13**
The prophet lives in fear of his foes and calls on God's help.
- **Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15**
Adam's fall is redeemed by the life of Jesus.
- **Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33**
We are worth hundreds of sparrows.

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, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong.

- 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 battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- 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 <https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream> or via <https://www.churchservices.tv/>
- **Battle Foodbank** – Foodbank needs this week are tins of Pulses; Tins of Cold Meat; Tins of Hot Meat; Bottles of Squash; Pot Noodles; Tins of Pulses - toiletries and household products are always appreciated. Thank you so much. Thank you so much whatever we receive is much appreciated.
- **Volunteers needed please:** we are looking for volunteers to help set up before Mass on a Sunday morning. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church if you can help, thank you.
- **A big thank you to Madeleine!** I'm sure you will all want to join in say 'thank you' to Madeleine for the beautiful flower display in front of the altar last weekend for Corpus Christi. All your hard work is very much appreciated by everyone.
- 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

Diocesan run events

- **Mental Health Courses - course costs are (per delegate) - Half day £30. Full day £60. 2 Day certified £120 (Certified by Mental Health UK):** The sad reality is that mental health across the nation is a growing concern and reality. Recently we saw in the national press, the truly horrible indictment that suicide is the leading cause of teenage deaths in the UK. The idea of the Mental Health First Aid Course is to give delegates the skills to identify the early warning signs of a problem developing, from across the wide spectrum of mental health conditions and then to provide the direction to signpost people accordingly to the right help and support. The half day and full day course are aimed at identifying systems and exploring appropriate routes to signpost those who are experiencing the challenge and darkness of mental health. Do speak to your Parish Priest to explore the potential of this Ministry in your Parish or email simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk for more details. Planned courses are as follows (all of which can be booked via Churchsuite through the Diocesan website).
- Sat 15 July - Worth - One day Champion Course
 - 12/13/19/20 September - Online - Two Day Youth MHFA (4 evenings)
 - Sat 4 November - Worthing - Half day MH Aware
- **Catechists' Day – Saturday 23 September at 11am at Worth School:** A day of formation, prayer and conversation for existing catechists, those interested in exploring being a catechist and those who might need a little encouragement to consider this vocation. If you are involved or interested in working with Children's Liturgy, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage or RCIA, you are very welcome to come along. The doors will be open from 10.30am for refreshments, with the programme beginning at 11am. We aim to finish at around 4pm. For more information, please contact Jon Harman, Formation Adviser E: Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk Register your place here : [Catechists' Day \(23-Sep-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

Externally run events/items

- **Worth Abbey - Explore the Richness of Benedictine Spirituality - 24 June, 1-4pm**
Join Midday Prayer at 1pm in the Abbey Church, followed by a welcome talk from Abbot Mark Barrett, and sung Benediction at 3.30pm. Sessions include: accompanied walks to the Quiet Garden, Silent Prayer, Lectio Divina and talks by lay people on how the Rule of St Benedict inspires their lives. Families are very welcome (Children's activities are available) with complimentary refreshments. [Register your place here.](#)
- **Divine Renovation 'From Programmes to Pathways: Making, Maturing and Missioning Disciples' Monday 26 June at 7pm - Online**
Do you find yourself pouring time and energy into programmes that don't bear the fruit of transformed lives? Are you tired of seeing people come and go instead of maturing as disciples and getting involved in mission? You are not alone! Join Julianne Stanz, Fr. Dan Mason and Fr. Victor Vella online and learn how your parish can bring people to Jesus by embracing discipleship pathways over programmes. Register your place here: divinerenovation.org/events.

Vatican News

Pope Francis continues his recovery in hospital, has lunch with staff

As Pope Francis continues his convalescence in Rome's Gemelli hospital, after abdominal surgery, the Holy See Press Office announced on Sunday that:

"The medical staff has informed us that the post-operative recovery of Pope Francis is normal. The Holy Father continues to be afebrile and haemodynamically stable (no fever, stable heart rate and pressure); he underwent respiratory physiotherapy and continued to move about. In the course of the morning he followed Holy Mass live on television and received the Eucharist. He then went to the chapel in his private apartment, where he gathered in prayer for the recitation of the Angelus. He then had lunch with those who are assisting him during these days of his stay in the private apartment (doctors, medical assistant, nurses, staff and Gendarmerie Corps personnel)."



Young cancer patients to Pope Francis: 'Get well soon!'

Franco, Francis C., Francis D., Francesca, Isabel, Yaroslav, Ascanio, Elena, Giorgia, Martina, and Davide are now old friends of Pope Francis: so much so that when they heard Pope Francis had been admitted once again to the rooms that adjoin their ward, they felt compelled to write to him to wish him a speedy recovery and assure him, "We are waiting for you with open arms!"



The young patients of Paediatric Oncology at Policlinico Gemelli wanted to express their closeness to Francis, on the second day of his recovery from a 7 June abdominal operation. Though they could not embrace him in person, they showed their affection through cards, drawings, and even a heart-shaped sculpture bearing the words "Always with you."

"Dear Pope Francis," reads the yellow letter signed by the children, "we have heard that you have not been so well and that is why we share the same hospital. We hope very much that you will recover as soon as possible to return to your daily activities. Thank you for what you do for us and for coming to visit us several times; you are always welcome and we await you with open arms." The card was signed by "the children and young people of Paediatric Oncology," which was followed by a postscript: "We hope you will appreciate our little thoughts."

A papal tweet: Pope Francis, for his part, responded to the children, and to all those who are praying for him and offering their best wishes, with a message from his @Pontifex account, tweeted in nine different languages: "I sincerely appreciate the prayers and numerous expressions of closeness and affection received in the past few days. I am praying for everyone, especially those who suffer. I ask you to keep me in your prayers."

