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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities
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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend 15th / 16th November 2025

Saturday 15/11	5pm	Battle	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jim Barnes, RIP
Sunday 16/11	9am	Northiam		Penelope Clements, RIP
	11am	Battle		People of the Parish
Monday 17/11	NO MASS			
Tuesday 18/11	6pm	Battle	Tuesday of Week 33 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 19/11	10am	Battle	Wednesday of Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Intention of Mme Josette Vaughan President of the Souvenir Normand
Thursday 20/11	NO MASS		Thursday of Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Deceased Members of the Parsons Family
Friday 21/11	10am	Battle	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Intention of Maureen Webster
Saturday 22/11	6pm	Battle	Solemnity of Christ the King	Elizabeth Robinson, RIP
Sunday 23/11	9am	Northiam		Jamie Goold, RIP
	11am	Battle		People of the Parish

There will be a Second Collection this weekend for the Retired Priests Fund (Gift Aid)
Next weekend there will be a Second Collection for Arundel Cathedral Maintenance (Gift Aid)

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for Solemnity of Christ the King

- **First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3**

They anointed David king over Israel.

- **Second reading: Colossians 1:12-20**

He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.

- **Gospel: Luke 23:35-43**

Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Helena Powell, Tom Dodd, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Marianne Clemence, Marie & Sarah Skilton, Phil & Pauline Bedford, Dilys Fraser, Claire and Peter Bates.

From St Teresa's: Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Margot Leahy, Jacquelyn Solly, Felicity Youlden.

Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week:

Guy Hooper, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Anthony Gibbons RIP, Katie Spall RIP, Cilla Wintle RIP, Paul Weller RIP, Michael Conroy RIP, Fr Wilson RIP, Maureen Shaw RIP, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett, RIP, Pauline Fraser, RIP, Stuart Austin, RIP.

- **Stuart Austin RIP:** Please remember Stuart in your prayers, he died quickly and peacefully on Wednesday 5th November at St Peter's Nursing Home in Bexhill. Please also remember his family, who are missing him greatly.
- **Advance Notice:** The Saturday evening Mass will change to the earlier time of 5pm starting on the First Sunday of Advent, Saturday 29th November. Please make a note in your diaries.
- **Donkey Roads and Camel Treks:** A pilgrim's guide for Advent. Sister Gemma Simmonds will be giving a talk next Thursday 27th November at 2pm, at Battle – pop this in your diaries and come along to listen to this interesting and inspirational talk about her book. Gemma is a Roman Catholic sister of the Congregation of Jesus. She is an ecumenical canon of the Church in Wales, and has worked as a spiritual director and retreat giver for over 30 years. She is also a regular broadcaster on religious matters on the BBC and other radio and television networks, she also speaks internationally. Please see the poster on the noticeboard or the leaflet at the back of the Church.
- **Battle Foodbank:** Our needs this week are Bottles of Sunflower Oil; Cartons of Long-life Fruit Juice; Cartons of Long-Life Whole Milk (Blue); 500gm packets of Sugar and Sponge Puddings please - any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for all your donations they are very much appreciated.
- I have attached our reverse advent calendar, please use it to guide your donations. Your donations will then be used to provide Christmas goodie bags in two ways. One will be through our contact with local schools, to provide for families who would be going without any of these special treats this Christmas, and the second is for us to be able to provide a Christmas goodie bag to all our clients that come over a designated period in December. We

are looking for collections to take place over November so that we can start to give them out in December. We are so grateful to you for all your support of us enabling us to support our local community in this way.

- **APF Mill Hill Missions - Red Boxes: Battle**

Thank you to everyone that has handed their boxes in so far. If anyone hasn't handed their Red Box in yet, I would be grateful if you could do this as soon as possible so that I can complete our annual return.

Please can you bring your box into Mass by the end of November and hand it to Father or me. If anyone has difficulty bringing in their box, please can you let me know. Thank you.
Suzanne 07958 353722

- Please look out for the new monthly Newsletter soon to be published, starting in Advent. This will include the news from all the Communities in the East Hub of the new Moderated Parish: Churches of St Anthony of Padua, Holy Redeemer, St Martha, St Mary Magdalene, Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael, Our Lady Star of the Sea, St Teresa of Lisieux, and St Thomas of Canterbury, in Battle, Bexhill, Hastings, Little Common, Northiam, Rye, and St Leonards (East Hub).
- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday morning, in the Parish Room at 10.15am with Lindsey. Please stay for a relaxed coffee and chat afterwards too. If you would like to join, please contact the office for more information: 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- **Saying Goodbye, (part of Mariposa International (SG))** are coming to London on the 30th November at 3.30pm in Westminster Central Hall with a very special Baby loss remembrance and support service (part of an international chain of events). Mariposa International (SG)'s core objective is to support people who have lost babies at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in infancy.
So who is the service for? Anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members' or friends' loss. Whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago, everyone is welcome to attend. We have also extended the services, and gladly welcome anyone who is grieving the fact that they haven't had children. This may be due to circumstance, infertility, or for other reasons - but all are welcome. Babies and children are also invited to come with their families, as the Saying Goodbye service is truly a family event for all. To read more on the charity, please see the Saying Goodbye website, which you can find at: www.sayinggoodbye.org

Diocesan run events/news

A reminder that the Diocese sends out a weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard's Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community. Please click on the link to sign up mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist – it's a great way to stay in touch!

Deaf Community Masses 2025-6

The Diocesan Deaf Service is a pastoral service for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people across Surrey and Sussex. The Deaf Service aims to create awareness of the existence, and needs, of those who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, both in the Church and in society, encouraging the celebration of Mass and the sacraments on a regular basis, in a style appropriate to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community's needs.

- Deaf Community Mass, Saturday 6 December, St Edward the Confessor, 2 Lodge Lane, Keymer, West Sussex, BN6 8NA. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm, followed by refreshments in the hall afterwards. W: www.stwilfridsbh.com/
- Deaf Community Mass, Saturday 3 January, St John the Evangelist, 3 Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2PJ. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm. W: www.stjohnshorsham.com/
- Deaf Community Masses on 7 February, 7 March, and 4 April will be celebrated at 1pm at Our Lady of Sorrows, Lower Road, Effingham, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT24 5JP. W: www.effinghamandfetcham.org.uk/

To find out more about the diocesan Deaf Service, or attending a Deaf Community Mass please contact Maria Booker E: peterandmaria.booker@abdiocese.org.uk

Externally run events

Catholic Bishop's Conference of England & Wales - Taxation & CST webinar – 20 November at 6pm

Chaired by Bishop Richard, this webinar will explore taxation and Catholic Social Teaching with contributions from Prof Anna Rowlands, Ruth Kelly and Prof Philip Booth, the authors of CBCEW's [Render unto Caesar](#). The webinar is being held at an important time in the Government's fiscal timetable, with the Budget statement due the following week. [Click here](#) to register.

Neurodiversity and our Faith research

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales (CBCEW) and Birmingham Newman University are conducting research into Neurodiversity and our Faith. If you are an adult neurodivergent Catholic or a caregiver of a neurodivergent Catholic, they would like to hear from you. Your experiences will help them to become more inclusive and responsive to your needs. To find out more and to complete the short surveys, please visit: www.godwhospeaks.uk/neurodivergent-catholic-surveys/ If you have any questions about this research, please email E: fleur.dorrell@cbcew.org.uk.

- Fr Richard is happy to receive Mass Intentions, please pop them in the letter box outside the office, or let Maggie know on 773125, e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk
- The office is open Monday and Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 1.30pm.