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The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Weekend 29th / 30th March 2025

Saturday 29/03	6pm	Battle	Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)	Peg & Jim Barnes, RIP
Sunday 30/03	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 30/03	11am	Battle		Michael Conroy, RIP
Monday 31/03	NO MASS			
Tuesday 01/04	NO MASS			
Wednesday 02/04	10am	Battle	Wednesday of the 4th Week of Lent	No Intention
Thursday 03/04	6.30am	Battle	Thursday of the 4th Week of Lent	Margaret Mulligan, RIP
Friday 04/04	10am	Battle	Friday of the 4th Week of Lent	Elfrida Pilcher, RIP
Saturday 05/04	6pm	Battle	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Frances Norah Hare, RIP (FM)
Sunday 06/04	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 06/04	11am	Battle		Intention of Elizabeth Salter

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

- **First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21**

God's promise is one of hope: of path through the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

- **Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14**

St Paul writes that he counts "everything as loss" compared with the importance of knowing Jesus.

- **Gospel: John 8:1-11**

Jesus refuses to condemn the woman who was caught in the act of adultery.

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

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

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

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.

- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday morning, in the Parish Room at 10am 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 battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- **Battle Foodbank:** Our needs this week are Tins of Hot Meat; Jars of Pasta Sauce; Packets of Spaghetti; Tins of Sweetcorn; Packets of Sweet Biscuits; 500gm bags of Sugar and Cat and Dog Food wet and dry please - any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for your donations they are very much appreciated
- **First Aid Course:** Thank you to people who have already responded and would like to take part in this course. We still need a few more people please from both Parishes. The course is fully certified and will be funded by the Parish. Please contact Maggie on 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk. Thank you.
- **Donations for the Yellowmen of Kadongdong:** If you weren't able to make a donation to the Yellowmen Charity at Paul Weller's funeral and you would still like to, please either put it in an envelope and pop it in the post-box outside the office, or put the envelope in the collection during Mass. Alternatively you can donate online at: <https://yellowmen.org/donate/> where you can also see the amazing work they carry out working with the tribespeople in Pokot, North West Kenya, building water systems, toilets, clinics, schools, hospitals to name just a few, in this very deprived region.
- **Parish 100 Club – Congratulations to the winners of the March draw!**
£12 – Joanna Black £24 - Tony Brooks

- **The Newman Association Eastbourne & Bexhill Circle:** The next Newman talk is by Deacon Simon Kirkdale who will speak about The Diaconate and the role of the Deacon in today's church. 7.30pm Thursday 10th April, Christ the King Parish Room, 3 Princes Road, Eastbourne BN23 6HT.
- **Our Lady of Ransom Eastbourne Catholic Parish Event: Friday 11th April 2025**
Men's Way of the Cross – Over the Cliffs and Through the Night!
Join us on this 5-6 hour night walk of the stations of the cross along the hills of beachy head. As we are challenged physically in this silent endeavour so doors to our spiritual life can be opened. Following Christ in the modern world can be hard and here we play out the task of taking up our crosses to follow him. This provides an opportunity to renew our dedication and vocation as men of faith.
We gather at Our Lady of Ransom church, 2-4 Grange Road, Eastbourne, BN21 4EU
 - 9pm-10pm: Registration, Adoration and Confessions
 - 10pm – 11pm: Holy Mass
 - 11pm: We start our Way of the Cross!
 - 4am-6am (approx): We are back at the Church
 - 15 minutes for silent adoration and testimonials (if someone wishes to share) followed by a hearty breakfast in the Church hall!
 For more information go to: <https://christthekingeastbourne.org/mens-way-of-the-cross/>
- 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 12.30pm

Diocesan run news/events

- **DEANERY RECONCILIATION SERVICE WITH BISHOP RICHARD:**
Thurs 3 April, 7pm at Our Lady of Ransom Church, Eastbourne. The Bishop, to mark the Jubilee Year of Hope, will be leading a Lenten Service of Reconciliation in every Deanery. Please come and support this important prayer opportunity as we move together towards becoming a new Single Parish.
- **Liturgy of the Word with Children Saturday 26 April 10-1.30pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley:** Come and join us for a morning exploring ways of delivering Children's Liturgy with Lucy Hall. How can we engage and connect with our youngsters as we prepare them to be fully immersed in the gift that is the Eucharist? Come along and share ideas with your fellow catechists and build your network of support and friendships across the Diocese. For more information, please contact our Marriage and Family Life Adviser, Simon South E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk or phone M: 07415 306222.
- **Bishop Richard is leading a special Jubilee Year pilgrimage to Walsingham this summer (Friday 6 June to Sunday 8 June),** with people across our community of faith invited to mark the 60th anniversary of our diocese and Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year. Dating from around 1061, this was once one of the four principal shrines of Christendom,

along with Rome, Jerusalem and Compostela. Today, the Shrine attracts some 150,000 pilgrims during the pilgrimage season, with about 35 major pilgrimages from Catholic dioceses, parishes, societies and associations. Walsingham is a great Marian Shrine of the Incarnation and a place of pilgrimage for all who would rejoice with Mary at the great joy of the Annunciation. To find out more and book your place, please click here: abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/ocoptzuu

- **Young Adult Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome:** Join our pilgrimage for young adults aged 18-30 to celebrate the special Jubilee year. Celebrate with other like-minded people, as we travel to the beautiful city of Rome and reflect on the theme ‘Pilgrims of Hope’. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for information. CLOSING DATE 31 MARCH
- The Diocesan website events calendar, through which places for events can be booked, can be found at W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>
- 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 do encourage parishioners to sign up it’s a great way to stay in touch! You can click on the link to sign up mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist

External Events

- **CAFOD's Big Lent Walk Update:** John Reid would like to thank everyone for the support given to him as he attempts his walk of 200km in the 40 days of Lent. As of Sunday 23 March, he has accumulated 82.55 Km in the 16 days of Lent so far, so he is marginally ahead of his target. Thanks to the generosity of his supporters, donations to CAFOD of £700 have been made already, more than three times his target of £200! THANK YOU EVERYONE. Of course (!) donations can still be made either directly to John at Holy Family. or via this link: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fundraising/cafod-big-lent-walk-20252025>
- **CAFOD in Eastbourne and St. Leonards Deanery invite you to a Jubilee Year Reflection and Workshop** on Saturday, April 5th at St. Wilfrid’s Church, South Rd, Hailsham BN27 3JG. Curious about the Jubilee Year 2025? Discover its biblical roots and explore the meaning of this year’s theme, “Pilgrims of Hope”, in our lives today. The event begins with Adoration at 10am, followed by the Rosary, Reflection, and Workshop, and concludes with a light lunch at 1pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for prayer, reflection, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!