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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 1 for Weekdays



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend 20th / 21st June 2026

Saturday 20/06	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5pm	Battle	Michael Conroy, RIP
Sunday 21/06		9am	Northiam	People of the Parish
		11am	Battle	Elizabeth Salter-Ferlaino, RIP
Monday 22/06	Saints John Fisher & Thomas More	10am	Battle	Leslie Bradshaw, RIP
Tuesday 23/06	Tuesday of Week 12 in Ordinary Time	6pm	Battle	Jack Morgan, RIP
Wednesday 24/06	The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	10am	Battle	Intention of Madeleine Salter
Thursday 25/06	Thursday of Week 12 in Ordinary Time	NO MASS		
Friday 26/06	Friday of week 12 in Ordinary Time	10am	Battle	Intention of Richard and Kate Grun
Saturday 27/06	Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles	5pm	Battle	People of the Parish
Sunday 28/06		9am	Northiam	Annie Cowley, RIP (FM)
		11am	Battle	Lillian & Stanley Parsons, RIP

**There will a Special Collection for Day for Life this weekend
Next weekend there will be a Special Collection for Peter's Pence**

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

- **First Reading: Acts 12:1-11**

Now I am sure that the Lord has rescued me from the hand of Herod.

- **Second reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18**

There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.

- **Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19**

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

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

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

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:

Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett RIP, Pauline Fraser RIP, Stuart Austin RIP, Gretta Johnson RIP, Brian Le Gassick, RIP, Elizabeth Salter-Ferlaino, RIP, Philippe Bedford, RIP

- **Battle Foodbank Summer Project:** We are so appreciative of the support that our local churches offer to us, and as such, we want to continue to support those most in need in your communities, too. For the last couple of years, our Summer Picnic Project has been a great success. We provide food parcels to any local family that needs us, and alongside that, we provide a picnic provisions bag, full of enjoyable snacks, sandwich items, juice cartons, and some fun summer toys and sunscreen to ensure the kids can stay safe in the sun. Funding allowing, we also hope to provide a small grocery voucher to those using the foodbank and receiving a picnic parcel, so they can buy fresh foods to go with their picnic. If anyone can donate money online, every £1 that you give will be doubled as we have match-funding from local company Penn Elcom, who are very generously sponsoring this up to £2500.

Here is the link to give online - <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/bexhill-battle-foodbank-summer-picnic-project-1>

Our hope is to reach the target of at least £2500, which would become £5000 with the match-funding. That will allow us to be generous to around 100 families over the summer holiday period in Bexhill, Battle and our surrounding Rother villages (we do not supply St Leonards, Hastings or Eastbourne areas).

If people are unable to give money, maybe they could donate an item or two next time they are in a shop. Or they could join up with others at work or in a social group to collect a bag full, and we can arrange to collect it.

This is open to anyone if they are struggling and cannot buy enough good-quality food to feed their family.

With Blessings, Michelle and all the team

Bexhill & Battle Foodbanks

- Foodbank Number: 01424 322541 / 07866 570468
- Email: info@bexhill.foodbank.org.uk
- Website: www.bexhill.foodbank.org.uk
- **Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9am - 2pm**
- **Open Foodbank Sessions for collecting food -**
- Bexhill - Tuesday 1-3pm // Thursday 10-12noon // Friday 3-5pm
- Battle - Wednesday 1.30-2pm
- **Battle Foodbank needs this week:** Cartons of Red, Blue and Green UHT Long life Milk; Small jars of coffee; Tins of Mackerel and Sardines and Packets of family cereals please - any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for all your donations they are very much appreciated.
- **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
- Fr Richard is happy to receive Mass Intentions, please pop them in the letter box outside the office, or let Maggie know on 773125 or battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- The Parish Office is open on Monday & Thursday mornings 9.30am-2.00pm.

News From Across Our Deanery

Fr Stephen O'Brien, Parish Priest at the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, Bexhill-on-Sea, presented parishioner and CAFOD volunteer, Christina Lucey, with a papal apostolic blessing on Sunday 31 May, in recognition of over 25 years of faithful service to the Catholic charity, with Jenny Finlayson, CAFOD's representative in the Diocese, thanking Christina for her longstanding



support.

Christina's service to CAFOD has taken many forms over the years and has included organising parish fundraising collections, local events, petition signings, organising "Parliament in your Parish" during lockdown, liaising with local MPs and undertaking CAFOD's Big Lent Walk, she has also attended campaign rallies in London and regularly attends online webinars and local CAFOD deanery meetings. Christine Allen, CAFOD Director and CEO, said: "It is an honour to receive Pope Leo's blessing, this highlights the significant role that volunteers play in strengthening communities and building a better world. Volunteers such as Christina continue to inspire all of us through their service. Their example reminds us of the importance of working for the common good."

Children from St Mary Magdalene Catholic Primary School in Bexhill were delighted to welcome Dr Kieran Mullan MP last week.

The visit provided an excellent opportunity to showcase the school community and celebrate the achievements of pupils at the school.

Pupils were able to share work linked to "Care for Creation", including their involvement in beach cleans and wider activities that demonstrate their



commitment to looking after the environment. In addition, Dr Mullan enjoyed a performance with one of the songs accompanied by sign language actions, further showcasing the creativity and inclusivity of the school's curriculum. Dr Mullan commented very positively on the school, praising the excellent behaviour of the pupils, their confidence and eloquence when discussing learning, and the high standard of work evident throughout the school community. He was particularly impressed by the children's thoughtful responses to questions and the pride they demonstrated in their achievements. He also enjoyed observing the rich and varied curriculum opportunities available across the school. Reflecting on the visit, Deputy Head Dermott McArdle said: "We are incredibly proud of the way our pupils represented St Mary Magdalene's throughout the visit. Their conduct, enthusiasm and sense of community reflected the values that underpin our Catholic ethos and demonstrated the very best of our school."