

**OUR LADY IMMACULATE &
ST MICHAEL, BATTLE**
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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities

Year 1 for Weekdays



Saints Peter and Paul
Weekend 27th / 28th June 2026

Saturday 27/06		5pm	Battle	People of the Parish
Sunday 28/06	Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles	9am	Northiam	Maureen Stack, RIP
		11am	Battle	Lillian & Stanley Parsons, RIP
Monday 29/06	Monday of Week 13 in Ordinary Time	10am	Battle	Richard Powell, RIP
Tuesday 30/06	Tuesday of Week 13 in Ordinary Time	6pm	Battle	Jane & Joseph Kirgan, RIP (FM)
Wednesday 01/07	Dedication of the Cathedral	10am	Battle	Barbara High, RIP followed by coffee & cake
Thursday 02/07	Thursday of Week 13 in Ordinary Time	NO MASS		
Friday 03/07	Saint Thomas, Apostle	10am	Battle	Fr Edmund Loman, RIP (FM)
Saturday 04/07		5pm	Battle	People of the Parish
Sunday 05/07	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9am	Northiam	Nancy Lindisfarne, RIP followed by coffee & cake
		11am	Battle	Intention of Rose-Marie O'Brien

There will a Special Collection for Peter's Pence this weekend

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10**

Behold, your king is coming to you, humble.

- **Second reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13**

If by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

- **Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30**

I am gentle and lowly in heart.

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

- **Christians in Battle Songs of Praise - Sunday 5th July 2026 at 6pm**

The theme is 'Hope', all the Churches from Battle will be taking part and choosing their own songs or hymns. If there are any musicians or singers from our parish who would like to take part, please contact Vincent Wade at vincent581@btinternet.com as soon as possible please. The venue will be **St Mary's Church** and there will be refreshments after in the Benedicta Whistler Centre. Everyone is very welcome to go along.

- **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.

Diocesan run events/notices

Young Adults' Retreat Day on Saturday 26 September 2026 10am-6.30pm at St Wilfrid's Burgess Hill. Tickets start from £20pp: Young Adults (18-35) from across the UK are invited to join the Youth team from Arundel and Brighton Diocese for a Retreat Day. A jam-packed day of prayer, formation, friendship, and fun as together, we will seek hearts open to His healing presence, trusting that Jesus desires to bring freedom, restoration, and transformation to our lives. As we encounter Him, we pray to discover true peace within ourselves, to become peacemakers in the world around us, and to be renewed with an apostolic fire burning brightly within our hearts. Lunch and refreshments are included in the ticket price. To book your place or find out more visit the Diocesan website events page or use this link: [Young Adults Retreat \(26-Sep-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) Participants are very welcome to join the Parish Mass at 6.30pm, with social time at a local pub to follow.

External news

CAFOD School volunteers required: Do you enjoy working with children and young people? Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in our Catholic schools to bring alive their sense of global justice? Could you give an assembly or a workshop in a local school? Supported by CAFOD with training and resources, you will discuss issues of global justice, Catholic social teaching and add to parish and school life whilst complementing the work of teachers, priests and catechists. Contact the CAFOD A&B office: Jenny Finlayson T: 07710 094448 E: arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk W: cafod.org.uk [Sign up to volunteer](#)

LATEST DEANERY UPDATE:

As the new larger parishes come into being across the Diocese, clergy are encouraged to embrace opportunities for delegation, including developing the skills and gifts of lay staff and volunteers to enable the clergy to focus on their primary mission and achieve balance in their life and ministry. This will also engage and empower laity into new roles and ministries. The new parishes will make decisions collectively. The key will be working in synodality. This emphasises relationships, collaboration and listening to the voices of all. To enable our clergy to lead, and for communities and parishioners to feel connected and involved, there will need to be some new structures, roles, teams, and communication channels. *Diocesan Pastoral Team*