

OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE
with
ST TERESA OF LISIEUX, HORNS CROSS

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 2 for Weekdays

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Weekend Mass Times

6pm Saturday 31st October

- Battle

(Fronsia Macradonna RIP)

9am Sunday 1st November

- Northiam

(Richard Meade RIP)

10.45am Sunday 1st November

- Battle

(Fr Michael McGlade RIP)

10.00am Monday 2nd November

- Battle - All Souls

(Albert & Leonora Ashing RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
after 6pm Mass Saturdays

Private Prayer Sessions - Battle
Monday, Wednesday
Friday 10am - 11am

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Solemnity of All Saints
Weekend 31st October/1st November

Service of Holy Communion Wednesdays in Battle at 10am
followed by Private Prayer

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

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Margaret Thunder, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Jim & Ruth Ayres, Jack Morgan, Richard & Brenda Widenka.

From St Teresa's: Keith Bourne, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster.

- **Faith & Friendship Group.** It has been suggested that the group meetings should start again via Zoom! Many of us have begun to use technology more and more over the recent months, but if you are unsure how Zoom! works, please let Maggie know if you are interested and technical help will be available, phone 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk. If there are sufficient numbers, it is hoping that we can recommence meetings in November.

- **If you used to receive a visit** from one of our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, (Special Ministers) and this is no longer the case, or if you know of someone that is sick or housebound, and would appreciate the prayers of our Parish, please let the office know on either 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- **Prayer Intentions:** During these uncertain and worrying times, there are many people out there who are suffering in one way or another, whether it be through illness or loneliness due to self-isolating, taking an exam, or for any reason at all. Many of these are non-parishioners or non-Catholics but would appreciate and benefit from all our prayers. If you know of somebody you would like to be added to our list, please either e-mail the office: battle@abdiocese.org.uk, or pass their name on to one of the stewards or to Fr Paul after the weekend Masses.

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

Edwyn Simmonds, Una Wade, Margaret C, Weislaw, Rowena, John B

- Fr Paul is happy to receive Mass Intentions, they will be said privately, unless you would specifically like them to be said at one of the weekend masses, in which case you will need to contact the Parish Office. Please either give them directly to Fr Paul after Mass or let Maggie know of any future Intentions on 773125, e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk, or drop a note through the Presbytery door, thank you.
- In cases of special need Fr Raglan Hay-Will may be contacted in Eastbourne on 01323 723222.
- **When You Join Us at Mass this Weekend.** So that we can all feel safe, please observe the instructions of the stewards, and ensure that you wear a face covering at all times when in Church. A steward will guide you at Communion time and the Priest will place Holy Communion on your hand. You may place your Offertory Thanksgiving in the collection plate which will be available as you leave the church. We need to follow the Government and Diocesan Guidelines on social distancing, so if you know you intend to join us at Mass in either of our churches one weekend, it will be a great help if you let us know so that we can allocate you a place, preferably by e-mail to battle@abdiocese.org.uk, or phone 01424 773125 by 9am on Thursday, as the office closes at lunchtime on Thursday. If you are new to the Parish, please let us know and we will send you a New Parishioner Form. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **If you cannot attend Mass** and 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/>
- **Offertory.** There is a Special Collection this weekend for the World Communications Day. (Gift Aid). Next weekend (7th/8th November) there is a collection for the Cathedral Maintenance Fund.
- **Preparation for Sacraments.** This is your last chance to enrol in next year's programme of preparation for First Holy Communion - the closing date is 1st November. Please contact the office or speak with Fr Paul after this weekend's Mass.

- Jack Morgan.** Our lovely Jack is leaving us this weekend to live near his daughter, he has sent us this message, it would be lovely if some of you could write to him to wish him well. 'To all those Parishioners who know me. I will soon be leaving Battle to go into a care home up in Staffordshire. This is a catholic care home where I can go to mass every day and is much closer to my daughter, Frances. I will be very sad to leave Battle and all the people I have known over the years. I will especially miss the Church, Fr Tony and the wonderful congregation. My address in Staffordshire will be:
Oulton Abbey Care Home, Kibblestone Road, Oulton, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 8UT.
God bless you all and keep you safe in these difficult times.' *Jack Morgan*
- APF Mill Hill Missions - Red Boxes Battle**
There is still time to hand your Red Box in to the church or office, if you are having trouble bringing yours, please let me know. The office is open Monday and Thursday mornings from 9.30am - 12.30pm. *Thank you - Suzanne: 775565.*
- St. John's Seminary, Wonersh.** Many of you will have heard that St John's Seminary in Wonersh is to close in its present form. The Seminary has served the Church for 130 years and there is great sadness that formation must now end at the site. Unfortunately, there was no new intake this September. With the seminarian body numbering just 17 the community is small, with the building and staffing costs too high to sustain. Arrangements have been made for the remaining seminarians to join the community at Allen Hall, Chelsea in September 2021.
Archbishop John Wilson and Bishop Richard are committed to providing priestly formation that will serve the people of our Dioceses and parishes into the future. St John's will remain a legal entity so that consideration can be given to the ways in which the tradition of priestly formation established at Wonersh in 1891 will continue.
The Trustees of St John's are extremely grateful to rectors, staff and seminarians, past and present, and to all those who have supported the Seminary over the years. We ask our Diocesan church family to pray for vocations to the priesthood, keeping our seminarians in their thoughts and prayers over the coming months.
- Anti- Modern Slavery** 18th October was Anti-Slavery Sunday. The diocese has been steadily building up its campaign against modern slavery, and in conjunction with this we have issued the first of what we hope to be regular updates on the current progress. The newsletter is on the new diocesan website and can be found here - https://assets.website-files.com/5ecba8204966c2777264a947/5f89626454d227195af8b974_Modern%20Slavery%20Issue%201%20v2.pdf You may have also seen the item in the regular e-bulletin from the diocese (You can sign up on the diocesan website) <https://abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/news>
Our hope is to extend the number of people across the diocese who are aware of the tragedy of modern slavery that exists in our communities and we would ask you to especially make people aware in your parish. We hope as time progresses to be able to offer awareness sessions and would be keen to hear from you if you would like to host an event to raise awareness in your area at some point in the future. Please let Tessa Ricketts know on tessa.ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk Anyone else that you find who is interested in becoming a supporter and receiving regular updates can also contact Tessa to sign up. We welcome any suggestions you might have to help raise awareness across our diocese. Thank you".
David Farey - Chairman of the Diocesan Steering Group on Modern Slavery.

- Supporting the Bereaved Course 2021** Around the Diocese many parishes are developing a bereavement befriending team, to accompany and support those experiencing grief and loss. They provide a vital service where people with a common faith can walk with others on this painful journey. Do you feel that you are being called to this Ministry? Do you have a good ear for listening? Are you able to empathise with people? Are you able to maintain confidentiality? If you feel drawn to supporting fellow parishioners, please speak to your Parish Priest about being considered for the Diocesan Supporting the Bereaved Course. A commitment to attending every session is needed (Eight Tuesdays across January to March 2021). If you wish to speak to someone about what the course entails and to register your interest in joining the programme please call Rev Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Project Worker, on 07415 306222 or email on simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. Thank you.
- Pope announces a consistory for the creation of 13 new cardinals**
 On 28 November, the Church will have thirteen new Cardinals.
 Pope Francis's announcement came as a surprise, after the recitation of the Angelus of Sunday, 25 October. He communicated the news regarding the creation of the new cardinals to the faithful present in St Peter's Square, as well as to those connected throughout the world.
 Two of the new Cardinals work in the Roman Curia: the Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops, Maltese Mario Grech and the Italian Marcello Semeraro, former Bishop of Albano and the new Prefect for the Congregation of the Causes of Saints.
 Six other pastors in the Church throughout the world are joining them: the Archbishop of Kigali, Rwanda, Antoine Kambanda; the Archbishop of Washington, United States, Wilton Gregory; the Archbishop of Capiz, in the Philippines, Jose Fuerte Advincula; the Archbishop of Santiago, Chile, Celestino Aós Braco; the Apostolic Vicar of Brunei, Cornelius Sim; the Archbishop of Siena, Italia, Augusto Paolo Lojudice.
 In addition, the Pope has also appointed the current Guardian of the Franciscan Sacro Convento in Assisi, Mauro Gambetti, Felipe Arizmendi Esquivel, Archbishop Emeritus of San Cristóbal de Las Casas (Mexico); former Apostolic Nuncio Silvano Tomasi, former permanent observer at the United Nations in Geneva who then worked in the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development; Capuchin Father Raniero Cantalamessa, preacher of the Papal Household; and the pastor of the Shrine of Divine Love, Father Enrico Feroci.
 Cardinals wear the colour red which indicates their willingness to sacrifice themselves *usque ad sanguinis effusionem*, that is, to the point of shedding their own blood, in the service of the Successor of Peter, and even though they reside in the remotest regions of the world, they are appointed to a parish in Rome so that they are under a parish church of which the Pope is Bishop.

Events & Saints of the Week

The Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day) - 2nd November

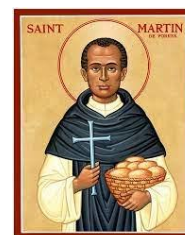


Today we renew the hope in eternal life, truly founded on Christ's death and Resurrection. "I am risen and I am with you always", the Lord tells us, and my hand supports you. Wherever you may fall, you will fall into my hands and I will be there even to the gates of death. Where no one can accompany you any longer and where you can take nothing with you, there I will wait for you to transform for you the darkness into light. Christian hope, however, is not solely individual, it is also always a hope for others. Our lives are profoundly linked, one to the other, and the good and the bad that each of us does always affects others too. Hence, the prayer of a pilgrim soul in the world can help another soul that is being purified after death. This is why the Church invites us today to pray for our beloved deceased and to pause at their tombs in the cemeteries.

(Pope Benedict XVI)

St Martin de Porres, Religious - 3rd November

St Martin de Porres (1579 - 1639) was born in Lima (Peru), the illegitimate son of a Spanish nobleman and a former slave. He became a Dominican lay brother and was exemplary in his care for the sick, his love of the poor and his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.



St Charles Borromeo, Bishop - 4th November

St Charles Borromeo (1538 - 1584) was born into a noble family at Arona, on the shores of Lake Maggiore (Italy). His uncle was Pope Pius IV and this ensured his quick promotion within the Church; aged only 21 he was created Cardinal Priest of Santa Prassede, although he was only ordained when in 1564 he became Archbishop of Milan. He zealously applied the teachings of the Council of Trent to his diocese, establishing seminaries and schools and renewing the life of the clergy. During the plague of 1576 he was active in the care of the sick.



The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm. If you have yet to do so, please send Maggie in the office your updated contact details, as we would prefer not to have to send too many letters but use e-mail for contact if possible.

The Parish Pastoral Team send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes.