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BATTLE**

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**Cycle B for Sundays and Solemnities**

**Year 1 for Weekdays**

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**Solemnity of the  
Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)  
Weekend 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024**

<b>Saturday 01/06 6pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sunday 02/06 9am</b>	<b>Northiam</b>		<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Sunday 02/06 11am</b>	<b>Battle</b>		<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Monday 03/06</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>		
<b>Tuesday 04/06 6.30pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Tuesday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Wednesday 05/06 10am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Thursday 06/06 6.30am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Thursday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Friday 07/06 10am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Saturday 08/06 6pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Sunday 09/06 9am</b>	<b>Northiam</b>		<b>Annie Cowley, RIP (FM)</b>
<b>Sunday 09/06 11am</b>	<b>Battle</b>		<b>People of the Parish</b>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request**

## **Introduction to the Scripture Readings for 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15**

Adam and Eve are tempted in the garden by the serpent.

- **Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

We believe that God, who raised the Lord Jesus to life, will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and that there is an everlasting home built by God for us, in the heavens.

- **Gospel: Mark 3:20-35**

Jesus tells us that our sins will be forgiven and that everyone who does the will of God is a brother or sister or mother of Jesus.

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

***From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:*** Margaret Thunder, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Michael Conroy, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Ruth Ayres, Helen Powell, Tom Dodd, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Marianne Clemence.

***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:**

Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Guy Hooper, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Anthony Gibbons RIP, Katie Spall RIP.

- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday in the Parish Room at 10am with Lindsey. New members always welcome! Please stay for a relaxed coffee and chat afterwards too. Contact the office for more information: 01424 773125 or [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk).
- **We need more Readers for the Sunday 11am Mass at Battle please.** It doesn't have to be every week, but we are very short of people to cover if our regular readers are away, and it would be lovely to give new people a chance if they wish. Please let Fr Richard, Kate or the office know, if you would like to put your name down. Very many thanks.
- **Sheila Kaye Smith Memorial Day at St Teresa's Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 12pm-3.30pm.** Please join us to celebrate the memorial of Sheila Kaye Smith, just bring a plate to share and a chair (if you have one), and pray for a sunny day! Looking forward to seeing you there.
- **Battle Foodbank** – we are still quite well stocked but are low on Sponge Puddings; Plain Sweet Biscuits; Chocolate Treats and 500gm bags of sugar please any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you whatever we receive is very much appreciated.
- To date we have seen such a great collaboration with the churches in our local community, as we all seek to support those most in need, and so we are getting in touch with you again to ask if you would share our latest project with your church community. This new project is called the Schools Summer Picnic Project. We will provide food parcels to any local family that needs us and alongside that we want to provide a picnic provisions bag, full of healthy snacks, sandwich items, juice cartons, fresh fruit and some fun summer toys, sun hats and sunscreen to ensure the kids can stay safe in the sun. If you can donate money online, every £1 that you give will be doubled as we have been accepted for match-funding from the

East Sussex Community Wellbeing Fund.

Here is the link to give online - <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/bexhill-battle-foodbank-summer-picnic-project/backers#start> Or for more information through

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bexfoodbank/posts/pfbid05dagPdjb87xK8jPSJTuaAkMFxHuU5p4NKWLQF8h2Ge2XhM79P1ZqfcQKjaLgTeiNl>

Our hope is to reach the target of at least £2000 which would become £4000 with the match-funding. That will allow us to be generous to 60-80 families over the summer holiday period in Bexhill, Battle and our surrounding villages. 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.

- **The Leprosy Mission is hosting a ‘Splendid Tea Party’ this Saturday 1st June, from 2-6pm.** We are planning a delightful afternoon filled with scrumptious treats, steaming cups of tea/coffee and wonderful company. This special event is being held at the Brownbread Horse Rescue Centre, Brownbread Street, Battle TN33 9NX and we would love you to join us! Tickets cost £6 for adults and £3 for children and include unlimited cups of tea/coffee and a slice of cake. To purchase your tickets online go to: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-leprosy-missions-splendid-tea-party-tickets>
- 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](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk), thank you.
- The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am – 12.30pm.
- Fr Richard and the Parish Pastoral Team send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes.

### News from our Diocese

#### Diocesan run events/news

- **Mental Health Awareness Seminar – Saturday 15 June 10-4pm, Burgess Hill. Cost £30**  
Being aware of the challenges and signs of the struggle many people have with their mental health is becoming more and more important in our modern world. We are pleased to announce that in association with Mental Health England we are running a one day course in mental health awareness. The course has been heavily subsidised by the Diocese. For registration please follow the link via the QR code or through the attached booking link: [Mental Health Awareness Seminar \(15-Jun-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#).  
If you wish to discuss your engagement with this event before booking please contact Simon South, Diocesan Advisor E: [simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk)
- **Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead – Wednesday 26 June 11-3pm**  
A day of sharing and prayer with other Grandparents led by Bishop Richard, to include Mass, Benediction, Rosary, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat. Please bring a packed lunch and a travel mug if possible. Arrival from 10.30am for refreshments. As always please car share if possible, as parking is limited. Places can be booked through Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead (26-Jun-2024) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

#### External Events

- **The Friends of Arundel Cathedral Summer Event - Friday 14 June 6.30pm:** The annual

summer event of The Friends of Arundel Cathedral takes place on Friday 14 June, with Vespers at Arundel Cathedral with Arundel Cathedral Choir followed by Summer Drinks in the Collector Earl's Garden, Arundel Castle. Tickets are £30 each (members £25) and can be obtained by emailing the Friends' Administrator on E: [aruncathfriends@btconnect.com](mailto:aruncathfriends@btconnect.com)

### **Vatican News**

#### **Pope meets with young Roman priests: “Do not tire of doing good”**

This was the Pope's second meeting with clergy from Rome, after the one on May 14 with priests who have been in ministry for 40 years and more. Today, the Pope met with newly ordained priests, those who have been serving for less than ten years. The encounter was hosted by the Pious Disciples of the Divine Master, an order of religious sisters, and the Pope received an affectionate welcome from the nuns, amidst greetings, gifts, and blessings. Then, a closed-door dialogue with the priests on pastoral issues, which began with a prayer written by Pope Paul VI.



**Welcome from the nuns:** “Thank you, thank you. How many novices do you have?”. The Pope immediately began conversing with five nuns, both Italian and foreign. It was hard to hear the exchange because loud applause had already erupted from inside upon spotting the white cassock. All the nuns, with the older members of the community in the front row, many in wheelchairs, were lined up in the pews ready to greet the Pope.

**Greetings and Gifts:** Francis made a double round to shake hands with everyone, then received a white balloon – like those hanging outside the entrance of the house – from a child, to whom he then gave his blessing, along with a sweet. Taking a basket, the Pontiff also distributed sweets to the nuns. One shouted, “Your Holiness, today I turn 84. Will you bless me?” The Pope placed his hand on the head of an elderly nun who whispered something in his ear while holding his hands.

**Dialogue with the priests:** “Thank you for your words,” the Pope said, looking at the large group in the chapel. “I give you my greetings and blessings. Do not tire of doing good!” The Pope received a chasuble and a book from the Pious Disciples, who celebrated their centenary in February. Entering the Church dedicated to Jesus the Divine Master, the Pope was greeted by the young priests (also with loud applause). Some, explained Bishop Michele Di Tolve, delegate for the care of the diaconate, clergy, and religious life, were ordained as recently as 2024. Francis opened the meeting with a prayer and the reading of the day's Gospel. After that, the closed-door Q&A session, mainly concerning pastoral issues, began.

**Meetings in his diocese:** Today's meeting is the second with the clergy of the Pope's diocese. From September 2023 until early May, he made a tour of the various prefectures of Rome to meet parish priests and prefects and hear from them the challenges, difficulties, beauties, and gratifications of their work. All this in a diocese that, as the Argentine Pontiff has often said, has become a “mission territory.” This is something that – and it is the Pope himself who has repeated this on various occasions – “is always very good for a bishop.”