OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE with

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St Philip Howard,
Earl of Arundel, Patron of the Diocese
Weekend 18th / 19th October 2025

Saturday 18/10	6 р т	Battle	St Philip Howard, Earl of Arundel, Patron of the Diocese	Pedro & Carlotta Fernandes, RIP
Sunday 19/10	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 19/10	11am	Battle		Intention of Catherine Zielicka
Monday 20/10	NO MASS			
Tuesday 21/10	6 р т	Battle	Tuesday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 22/10	10am	Battle	Wednesday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time	Frances Bradshaw, RIP
Thursday 23/10	9.45am	Battle	Thursday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time	Michael Conroy, RIP
Friday 24/10	10am	Battle	Friday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time	Sir John & Lady Keeling, RIP (FM)
Saturday 25/10	6pm	Battle	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Paul Weller, RIP
Sunday 26/10	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
	11am	Battle		Deceased Brothers of Hastings & Bexhill 66 Catenian Circle

There will be a Second Collection for World Mission Sunday this weekend

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- First Reading: Sirach 35:15b-17, 20-22b
 The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds.
- Second reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
 There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.
- Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

 The tax collector went down to his house justified, rather than the Pharisee.

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

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: 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, Claire and Peter Bates.

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, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett, RIP, Pauline Fraser, RIP.

- **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.
- **Battle Foodbank:** We are fairly well stocked but could still do with Bottles of Sunflower Oil; Tins of Hot Meat (not pies) and Packets of Tampax or similar please any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome thank you for all your donations which are very much appreciated.
 - ** Please note Tuesday evening Mass is now at the earlier time of 6pm **
- Knights of St Columba, Hastings and Rother Council 630 Charity Autumn Quiz At Holy Redeemer Church Hall, this Saturday 18th October, 7.45pm prompt start. £6 per ticket or £20 for a family of four, includes light refreshment, bring your own wine or beer and a raffle. All proceeds for Mary's Meals and Food Bank. Tickets from Sean 07874061235, Fidelis 07946689934, David 07479985968, Brian 07934408043.
- Parish 100 Club: Congratulations to the winners of the October draw! £12 Lizzie Chirnside £24 Alan Gavin
- **Rwanda Christmas cards and gifts:** By popular demand Sally Chaplin will be selling the lovely Rwanda cards and gifts after the Northiam and Battle Masses on Sunday 9th November. Please pop the date in your diaries!

• World Mission Sunday - 19 October. This year, we will be focusing on Myanmar and the work of missionaries who are offering help and hope to communities who are suffering. Current political, environmental and humanitarian challenges have left thousands of people killed or injured and millions displaced from their homes.

Missionaries in Myanmar serve a population facing multiple challenges – political, environmental and humanitarian – which have left thousands of people killed or injured and millions displaced from their homes.

Since the military coup in February 2021 the country has descended into turmoil.

The military junta continues to deliberately bomb villages, schools,



hospitals, and even churches to suppress dissent. The iron grip on power has crippled the economy, disrupted essential services, and pushed millions into poverty. Recent natural disasters have further strained this already fragile nation.

In a special video message our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, invites you to take part in World Mission Sunday on 19 October this year.

Pope Leo is urging every Catholic and every parish across the globe to unite in prayer and practical support for missionaries who work alongside communities in need in the most remote and troubled parts of our world.

In recalling his missionary experience in Peru, Pope Leo says:

When I served as a missionary priest and then bishop in Peru, I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities.

The Pope explains how your prayers and support on World Mission Sunday are vital in spreading the Gospel and in supporting the Church's outreach and mission in very practical ways. Your support, coordinated by Missio, helps build churches, chapels and schools and supports missionaries as they enable people to experience God's compassion and love through their care and the witness of their lives.

Please join me in responding to our Holy Father's call to 'commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus, our Hope, to the ends of the earth.'

• Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: Mens' retreat, 4 & 11 February 2026

A fantastic opportunity to experience St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in a 5-day, shortened form. The retreat will be guided by the monastic community of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France), who were founded with the specific charism of offering this version of the Exercises and with a particular apostolate to men. The retreat is open to men in all states of life, who wish to seek God's will through a deepened detachment from the world. Please see full information by following the link below.

https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-retreat-spiritual-exercises-of-st-ignatius

Diocesan run events

Ministry of Consolation

Do you have a good listening ear? Do you feel you could support those who are struggling with loss or bereavement? We are recruiting for our training course to become a member of the Ministry of Consolation team of volunteer befrienders. The course runs online for a total of 7 weeks on each Wednesday throughout January and February 2026(9.30am-1.30pm). To find out more contact E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. Application process ends on 15 November 2025.

- 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 1.30pm.