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BATTLE**
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Cycle B for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 1 for Weekdays



**The 11th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**
Weekend 15th / 16th June 2024

Saturday 15/06 6pm	Battle	The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Grace McAdie RIP & Veronica Molloy, RIP
Sunday 16/06 9am	Northiam		Canon Charles Walker, RIP (100th birthday)
Sunday 16/06 11am	Battle		People of the Parish
Monday 17/06	NO MASS		
Tuesday 18/06 6.30pm	Battle	Tuesday of Week 11 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 19/06 10am	Battle	Wednesday of Week 11 in Ordinary Time	Claire Ashing, RIP
Thursday 20/06 6.30am	Battle	Thursday of Week 11 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Friday 21/06 10am	Battle	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	Deceased members of the Linnett Family
Saturday 22/06 6pm	Battle	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 23/06 9am	Northiam		Intention of Ieda Rodriguez and Joanna Rowan
Sunday 23/06 11am	Battle		Intention of Madeleine Salter on her 93rd birthday

There will be a Retiring Collection this weekend for Day for Life

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **First Reading: Job 38:1. 8-11**

Creation is only a metaphor for God, a sign of something greater than we can know.

- **Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-7**

We are a new creation, because God has given us in Christ a new kind of love.

- **Gospel: Mark 4:35-41**

It is easy for Christ to have the wind and the sea obey him. The obedience of human beings is harder to obtain.

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 Youlten.

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.

- **Moving towards Becoming a Moderated Parish:** In the autumn (November) we will formally begin the journey into becoming a Single Parish from Eastbourne to Rye, bringing together what are now 8 separate parishes. The clergy are already reflecting on the good resources we can share, how to work closely together, how to collaborate in mission, and identifying good leadership from within our communities. As the journey unfolds, we will all have a part to play. May the Holy Spirit bless and guide us every step of the way.
- **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.
- **Sunday 16th June at St. Teresa's Northiam:** Coffee and cake after the 9 a.m. Mass for Canon Walker (it would be his 100th Birthday on the 15th June). We have copies of the lovely book that he wrote, if anyone would like to take one. Everyone welcome!
- **A big Thank you to all Parishioners from Rose-Marie and Michael O'Brien** for all the Masses, prayers and kind wishes received. They are very much appreciated.
- **Also a big Thank You from Anne Bishop**



for her farewell gift, good wishes and little celebration after Mass last Saturday. She was always at Mass ready to help, and will be missed by all. We wish her and Don good health and happiness in their new home. Thank you to Theresa for the lovely photos.



- **Battle Foodbank** - we are still quite well stocked at the moment so wondered whether we could just ask for donations of items from the Schools Summer Picnic Project please: 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. Or 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 – all donations can be Gift Aided.

Here is the link to give online - <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/bexhill-battle-foodbank-summer-picnic-project/backers#start> Thank you so much.

- **Eddie sends Greetings from Fr Pat**

As many parishioners know, I have been going backwards and forwards to Kenya for the past 25 years during which time I met Fr Pat Murunga who later came to the UK and for a number of years covered for Fr Tony when the latter was on holiday.

Last week Fr Pat, now based in a place called Kakamega (a town 30km above the equator) led the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Namugongo shrine a large property covering the site where St. Charles Lwanga and his companions, who included pages at the royal court, were burned alive by the order of Kabaka (King) Mwanga II of the Buganda kingdom. Some 300 pilgrims journeyed with Fr Pat, sleeping on the floors of churches and schools.

Once the pilgrimage was over and despite having walked 320km, Fr Pat drove up to Marich to join us for three days work in the Marich and Mbarara area. Fr Pat is well known in the area as he was a parish priest in Psigor and Lomut, two of the West Pokot parishes.

Fr Pat asked me to pass his greetings on to all those who remember him. During his Mass on Mondays, he remembers and prays for the people of this Parish. Formerly a parish priest, he now divides his time between two Seminaries where he teaches philosophy and theology in one and Latin and Greek in another.



Kakamega Pilgrims

- **Newman talk with Father Kevin Dring:** 'Sexuality and gender issues within contemporary Catholic thought' on Thursday 20th June. The venue is St. Martha's Church Hall, Cooden Sea Road, Little Common, Bexhill TN39 4SP. Entrance Free. 7pm for 7.30pm to 9pm. Father Kevin is Parish Priest at Our Lady of Ransom Church Eastbourne. For further information please contact: Alex 0797 632208; Barbara 01424 219788; John 01323 726334

- 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, 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

- **Santa Marta Group – Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation – Saturday 29 June 11-1pm at St Peter’s Hall, Shoreham:** By kind invitation of Bishop Richard Moth all are invited to attend a presentation and discussion on Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking – Communities and Parishes. In 2014 Pope Francis instructed Cardinal Vincent Nichols to lead the work of the Santa Marta Group as an important mission for the Catholic Church. It now has partners in over 40 countries; from acorns oak trees grow. Places can be booked through the attached link Santa Marta Group - Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation (29-Jun-2024) · ChurchSuite Events If you wish to discuss your engagement with this event before booking please contact Tessa Ricketts, Diocesan Advisor E: tessa.ticketts@abdiocese.org.uk
- Pope Francis often highlights the importance of Grandparents and the elderly in our communities. We are celebrating them with two special events this Summer:
 - Grandparent’s Pilgrimage to West Grinstead – 26 June 11am – 3pm at The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead:** Led by Bishop Richard, a day of prayer including Benediction and Mass, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat and cake, at our Diocesan Shrine. Please sign up through the link provided Grandparents' Pilgrimage to West Grinstead (26-Jun-2024) · ChurchSuite Events or through the Diocesan website.
 - Celebrating the Feast of Sts Joachim and Anne - 20 July 3pm at Arundel Cathedral:** This Mass is held to honour the annual day Pope Francis has instituted. We are encouraging both natural and parish families to bring their more senior members of the community to join Bishop Richard in thanksgiving for all they do to sustain our faith through their lives and witness. Please sign up through the link provided. Celebrating the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne (20-Jul-2024) · ChurchSuite Events or book through the Diocesan website.
- You can find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese, through the Diocesan website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>
- The Diocese sends out a weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard’s Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community. Please click on the link to sign up mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist - it’s a great way to stay in touch!