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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities  
Year 1 for Weekdays



**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter)**  
**Weekend 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

<b>Saturday 11/04</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter)</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sunday 12/04</b>		<b>9am</b>	<b>Northiam</b>	<b>Amelia Brasier &amp; Annie Wood, RIP (FM)</b>
		<b>11am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Carmel Warboyes, RIP</b>
<b>Monday 13/04</b>	<b>Monday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>No Intention</b>
<b>Tuesday 14/04</b>	<b>Tuesday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Intention of Isabelle Salloum</b>
<b>Wednesday 15/04</b>	<b>Wednesday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Martin Worboyes, RIP</b>
<b>Thursday 16/04</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>			
<b>Friday 17/04</b>	<b>Friday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Bernard Chasty, RIP (FM)</b>
<b>Saturday 18/04</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Paul Weller, RIP</b>
<b>Sunday 19/04</b>		<b>9am</b>	<b>Northiam</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
		<b>11am</b>	<b>Battle</b>	<b>Martin Folan, RIP</b>

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

## **Introduction to the Scripture Readings for 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

- **First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33**

It was not possible for him to be held by death.

- **Second reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21**

You were ransomed with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish.

- **Gospel: Luke 24:13-35**

He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**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, Phil & Pauline Bedford, Dilys Fraser, Claire and Peter Bates, Helen Ashing.

*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:**

Jean Douglas RIP, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett RIP, Pauline Fraser RIP, Stuart Austin RIP, Gretta Johnson RIP, Brian Le Gassick, RIP, Elizabeth Salter RIP.

- **Gift Aid Envelopes for 2026:** The envelopes for the coming year are available at the back of both Churches. Please note your number may have changed as most people are now donating via Standing Order. If you would like to set this up instead of using a weekly envelope please e-mail Maggie at [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk) and I will send you the relevant form – thank you!
- **Battle Foodbank needs this week:** Tins of Tomato Soup; Sweets (not chocolate); Bottles of Squash and Cartons of Long life Soya and Oat Milk please - any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for your donations which are very much appreciated.  
Opening times: 1.30pm - 2pm with a referral voucher
- **Battle Pantry:** Members can choose to pay £2.50 or £5.00, and for that they get four times the value in food and other essential items. They get to pick what they want, and everything is fresh and in date, and is there to help those struggling with the cost of living.  
Opening times - 12noon - 1pm

Venue: St Mary's Church Upper Church Hall (back of the car park).

Foodbank Number: 01424 322541 / 07866 570468

Email: [info@bexhill.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@bexhill.foodbank.org.uk) Website: [www.bexhill.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.bexhill.foodbank.org.uk)

- **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](mailto: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](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk).
- The Parish Office is open on Monday and Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 2.00pm.

### **Diocesan run events/news**

**Marriage Catechists & Ambassadors' Formation Day, Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge, Saturday 18 April 10.30am – 3pm** For all those involved in the Marriage Preparation process across the Diocese or anyone who is keen to support and build the understanding of sacramental marriage in their parishes. Join us for a day of sharing, listening and learning from the many teams across the diocese; sharing your experience and ideas from the important work you are doing. We will also be discussing ways of engaging, educating and raising the understanding of a sacramental marriage with the young adults of our parishes. Please bring a packed lunch. To register, go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: [www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events) or scan the QR code on the poster. If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: [simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Diocesan Finance Spring Webinar - Saturday 25 April at 11am.** People across Surrey and Sussex are invited to join Fr Jonathan How and members of the Diocesan Finance Team for a Spring Webinar, aimed at all those supporting the work and mission of the Church in parish finance. The morning will include a range of topics and updates, with opportunities for Q&A. Register your place here: [us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_zjQ9C6zYTSSQ3IrDS6vRgw#/registration](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zjQ9C6zYTSSQ3IrDS6vRgw#/registration)

**Volunteers needed for Young Adult Retreat days - Would you be interested in being a small group leader, refreshment maker or prayer minister at our diocesan Young Adult retreats?** The Diocese of Arundel and Brighton are looking to run Young Adult retreat days for those aged 18-35 across the diocese. Each will be a day of Faith, Fellowship, Formation and Food! But we need your help...if you are aged 18+ and are interested in supporting these events, please email the Diocesan Youth Project Officer, Bex Driver E:[bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk)

## **External news**

### **One Hope Project Academy**

The OHP Academy is a six-month online worship school for aspiring worship leaders, musicians and songwriters who want to invest in their leadership, grow in their practical gifting in order to serve in their context and go deeper in their journey of faith. One Hope Project has over a decade's experience in leading worship, writing songs and equipping others and they want to share their learning with you! Most importantly they have spent a number of years following Jesus and want to encourage you on your journey of following Jesus too!

Applications close 31 August 2026, start date 23 September 2026. If you are interested in taking part in the OHP Academy, please email [info@onehopeproject.co.uk](mailto:info@onehopeproject.co.uk). Email Bex Driver, Diocesan Youth Project Officer E: [bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk) to discuss the support offered by A&B Diocese alongside the course.

### **Our New Deanery**

The New Deanery will be overseen by a Clergy Team, moderated by Fr Kevin Dring. The team will work closely with Hub Secretaries, Hub Leadership Groups and lay representatives to support pastoral planning, governance and the shared mission of the Parish. The West Hub covering Eastbourne, Polegate, Hamden Park, Hailsham and the East Hub; St Leonards, Hastings, Bexhill, Battle and Rye.

#### **East Hub Secretary: Elizabeth Fitch**

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#### **West Hub Secretary: Cheryl Wood**

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**New Parish Website:** [www.eastbourne-stleonards.org.uk](http://www.eastbourne-stleonards.org.uk)

### **New Deanery Updates**

As a Catholic community, a “community of communities”, we’re called to a life of discipleship: to follow Jesus, learn from him, become like him, and join him in his mission to love and serve others. In the journey of discipleship, we are always being invited to deepen our faith, hope and love. One of the key priorities for us as we continue to move forward together in the Church’s Mission, is to look for all good ways to help everybody, of all ages, in our communities continue to deepen their Faith. As we enter the Season of Easter, we will begin to share through newsletters good and varied resources that you can access to help grow in your faith. Especially we pray for the many adults who will have been received into the Church with us at Easter. They are an inspiration for us all! – *Fr Kevin*