

**OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL,
BATTLE**

with

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities

Year 1 for Weekdays

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Weekend 7th / 8th October 2023

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 07/10 6pm	Battle	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	John & Doreen Grun, RIP
Sunday 08/10 9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 08/10 10.45am	Battle		David Wilkins, RIP
Monday 09/10	NO MASS		
Tuesday 10/10 6.30pm	Battle	Tuesday of week 27 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 11/10 10am	Battle	Wednesday of week 27 in Ordinary Time	Stephen Grun, RIP
Thursday 12/10 6.30am	Battle	Saint Wilfrid	No Intention
Friday 13/10 10am	Battle	Friday of week 27 in Ordinary Time	No Intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10**

The prophet shares his vision of a heavenly banquet to which all are invited.

- **Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20**

The joys of heaven outweigh whatever hardships we may be suffering now.

- **Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

Not everyone chooses to accept God's invitation; indeed, some are not yet ready.

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, Keith Bourne.

From St Teresa's: Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Brian O'Connell, 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.

- If you used to receive a visit from one of our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Special Ministers), please contact the office on 01424 773125 if you would like these visits to recommence, with a Minister or with Fr Richard direct on 07578 725914 or email 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, e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk, thank you.
- If you 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/>
- **Battle Foodbank** – Foodbank needs this week we are low on Tins of Tomatoes, Fish, Hot and Cold Meat; Pot Noodles, Children's Cereals; Packets of Biscuits and Sweet Treats please - any toiletries, toilet rolls, household products and nappies are always appreciated - thank you so much.
- **The Church is now left open** to allow you to go in at any time you want to for private prayer, or just a sit down. Please be aware there is CCTV set up at the back of the Church for health and safety reasons, as well as security.
- **Change of Tuesday and Thursday Mass times:** Please remember that Tuesday Mass times have now changed to 6.30pm and Thursday Mass times have now changed to 6.30am.
- **CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal – Harvest Collection at Masses this week**
Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelope in church or give online at cafod.org.uk

- **Next Weekend (14th/15th October) we will celebrate Prisoner's Sunday** – a National Day of Prayer and Action for prisoners and their families. Prisoners' Sunday is an important opportunity for us all to direct our thoughts and prayers to the needs of prisoners and their families, and those who work to support our brothers and sisters affected by the criminal justice system. There will be a Second Collection for Pact (please use the Gift Aid envelopes provided at the back of the Church)
- **Your parish and the deanery urgently need parishioners to help run a short Marriage Preparation Course for engaged couples.** The course is one designed by the diocese that couples preparing to marry have to attend as a condition prior to marriage and all materials are provided. It is run over four 2 hour sessions on the dates and times that you would choose. You can be couples or individuals to run the course and all training would be given. It is an enjoyable course and one where you, with your experience of marriage, have a great deal to offer the couples looking to spend the rest of their lives together. If you would like to join this important ministry, please contact Fr Richard.
- 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

- **CPT Small Grants Available** - The Charles Plater Trust (CPT) small grants round opened last month with grants of up to £5,000 available to fund year-long initiatives that tackle need in parishes, deprived communities, or amongst marginalised groups. The closing date for applications is 10 October - to find out more visit the charity's website: www.plater.org.uk/our-grants
- **'Shapes of the Church to Come'**, A Guildford Knights of St Columba talk with [Monsignor Dr Michael Nazir-Ali](#), 21 October, 2.30pm-4pm at [St Hugh of Lincoln Church, Knaphill](#) (cost £5). Monsignor Nazir-Ali will explore about how the Church is shaped by the Gospel, and how Apostolic Teaching is received and lived in different cultures and contexts. Contact E: Guildfordknightsofstcolumba@gmail.com to register your place.
- **A&B Lighthouse, Saturday 11 November, 2:30pm-6:30pm at St Wilfrid's School, Crawley, RH11 8PG.** People across our community are invited to join the first A&B Lighthouse event. 'Lighthouse' is where the charismatic community from across the diocese can gather to worship, celebrate Holy Mass, pray together, and receive prayer through the laying on of hands. The afternoon includes a special talk from Joe Livingston, an international evangelist from Glasgow who has been given a powerful ministry of healing and deliverance. To find out more contact E: dabcdsc@gmail.com.
- **Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass to mark the Feast of Blessed Carlo Acutis on Thursday 12 October at St Peter's Church, Portland Road, Hove.** St Peter's is home to the diocesan shrine of Blessed Carlo Acutis and is the only Church in the diocese where his feast is celebrated. Mass at 7pm will be followed by an opportunity to venerate the relic of the Blessed. There will be drinks in the Parish Hall to follow. All are invited.

➤ **Anti-Slavery Day - Thursday 18th October**

Slavery On Our Doorstep: Our Diocese of Arundel and Brighton will be marking Anti-Slavery day, October 18 by holding an event to raise awareness about modern slavery. We invite you to 'Come and find out how modern slavery is very much here in our local area, and how we can respond.' Learn more about the Modern Slavery Ambassadors network and how you might be able to join in. There will be speakers from Sussex Police, Justice and Care, Hope at Home, and Sussex and Surrey Modern Slavery Ambassadors. All are welcome to come together to support and network.

When: 6.30 - 8.00pm

Where: Fitzherbert Community Hub, 2 Bristol Road, Kempton.

Light refreshments will be provided.

For further information please email: Tessa Ricketts, Caritas social action advisor at Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk

- **A Quick Journey through the Bible' - free study course at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth :** This new Chilworth Abbey Study Morning has started at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth, offering the easiest way to understand the Bible, using Jeff Cavin's 'A Quick Journey through the Bible'. The next date will be on Saturday, 28 October 2023. It's led by Fr John Seddon OSB and will focus on Part 2, covering Genesis 1-11 and the Early World. Catholic Holy Mass with Chilworth's Benedictine monks is at 9am followed by Video and Talks from 10.30am-12.15pm. It's free to attend and there is no need to book. Bring a friend if possible. Visit the monks online for more information. at <http://www.chilworthbenedictines.com>

Vatican News

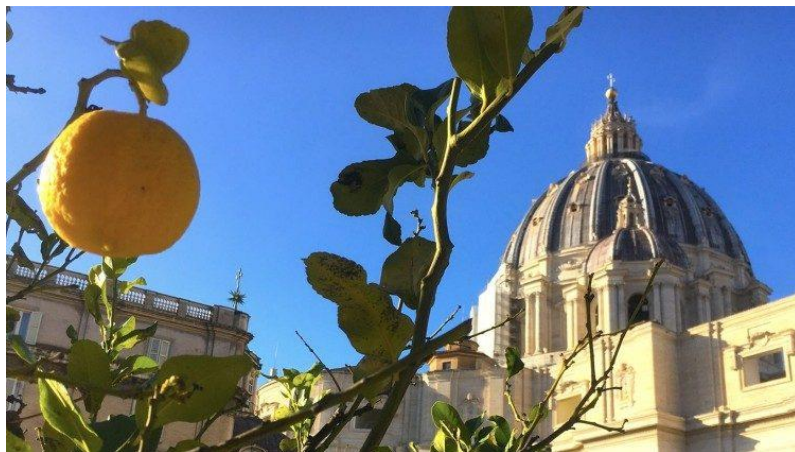
Fr. Giordano Piccinotti appointed new President of Apsa

Pope Francis has appointed 48-year-old Salesian priest, Fr Giordano Piccinotti as the new president of the Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See (Apsa). The former Apsa Under Secretary succeeds Bishop Nunzio Galantino who has headed Apsa for the past five years and who turned 75 on 16 August.

Fr Piccinotti was born on 23 February 1975 in Manerbio, in the northern Italian province of Brescia. On 12 September

2004, he made his perpetual profession in the Salesian Society of St. John Bosco and was ordained a priest on 17 June 2006. He holds a Licentiate in Spiritual Theology from the Salesian Pontifical University in Rome. He is the Director of the "Opera Don Bosco nel Mondo" Foundation based in Lugano, Switzerland; procurator of the "Istituto Elvetico Opera Don Bosco" Foundation, also in Lugano; executive director of the "Opera Don Bosco" onlus Foundation in Milan; member of the Council of the "Stiftung Don Bosco in Der Welt in Schaan", Liechtenstein; treasurer of the Board of Directors of the NGO, VIS. The Pope had appointed him Under Secretary of Apsa in January this year.

"At the end of my five-year mandate," Bishop Galantino told Vatican Media, "I thank the good Lord and Pope Francis for the experience I have had in a field that is rather on the margins, if not extraneous, to my usual commitments: that of the Administration of the Patrimony of the



Apostolic See. The constant trust placed in me and the competent dedication of all my collaborators have allowed me to carry out the mission entrusted to me, after the fine five-year period spent in the Italian Episcopal Conference (CEI) as Secretary General".

"A lot of expectations have always been placed on Apsa," the prelate observed, "and from many quarters. Sometimes they were even exaggerated. Answers can only be given (...) when we work together. And I have had the experience of working together and with generosity. I feel a duty of gratitude to everyone. From those who welcomed me at the beginning of my mandate to those who have stood by me in recent years".

"In these last few years, commitments have increased," he emphasised, "going even beyond ordinary administration. Starting with the Motu Proprio with which the Holy Father transferred some competencies of the Secretariat of State to Apsa, in terms of administration. A great commitment was required for the (unfortunately) much-publicized investment in London and the 'rescue' of the Fatebenefratelli-Isola Tiberina Hospital".

"I am happy," Bishop Galantino said, "that to continue and develop the commitment and mission of Apsa, the Pope has chosen a person who has competence and great love for the Church. He already knows the reality and the people well. And this is a great advantage. For everyone. I am also happy," he concluded, "that the changeover comes on the heels of the positive results of the Pwc audit on Apsa's solidity".