

OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE  
with  
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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities

Year 2 for Weekdays

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### Weekend Mass Times

6pm Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March -  
Battle (Joy Scothern, RIP)

9am Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March -  
Northiam (People of the Parish)

10.45am Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March -  
Battle

(Intention of Mark Clemence)

10am Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March -  
Battle (Celebrant's Intention)

Sacrament of Reconciliation after  
6pm Mass Saturdays

## THE SECOND 'TRANSFIGURATION'

### SUNDAY OF LENT

Weekend 12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022

#### Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

- **First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18**  
God offers the promise of a future full of hope to Abram, who shows himself to be a person of faith.
- **Second Reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1**  
We are called to remain faithful in our following of Christ.
- **Gospel: Luke 9:28-36**  
On the mountain, Jesus is revealed to his disciples in his glory.

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

**From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:** Margaret Thunder, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Michael Conroy, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Jim & Ruth Ayres, Richard & Brenda Widenka, Helen Powell, Tom Dodd, Dilys Fraser, Anthony Gibbons, Rosemary Parkes, Suzanne McAdie.

**From St Teresa's:** Keith Bourne, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen & Cyril Webster, Dominic Leahy, Rodney Atkinson, Brian O'Connell.

#### **Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week:**

Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Jack Morgan, Guy Hooper, Di Bean RIP, Judith Bridge, Maureen Ashing, Henry Cheung, Trish Archutowski RIP, Gillian Mitchell RIP.

- If you feel you need to contact Fr Paul for any reason, his phone number is: 01323 670156.
- If you used to receive a visit from one of our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Special Ministers), please contact the office if you would like these visits to recommence, 01424 773125 or [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk) with a Minister or with Fr Paul, who is happy to make home visits.
- Fr Paul is happy to receive Mass Intentions, please either give them directly to Fr Paul after Mass or let Maggie know of any future Intentions on 773125, e-mail [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk), or drop a note through the Presbytery door, 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/>

**Children's Liturgy:** Children's Liturgy has now restarted during the 10.45am Mass at Battle. If you have any children that have missed this during the restrictions and would like to join into these sessions again, please bring them along.

- **CAFOD**

- **Family Fast Day - Lent Appeal**

Every child should grow big and strong. Family Fast Day was last Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support mums around the world, like Amie in Sierra Leone, with expert training in growing and making healthy food. Your small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate in Church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting CAFOD website: [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent). There is also a link on the website ([cafod.org.uk/fastday](http://cafod.org.uk/fastday)) to a very short and uplifting video which you may like to watch.

- **DEC/CAFOD - Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal**

More than half a million people have fled their homes to escape conflict in Ukraine - leaving behind jobs, belongings and loved ones, they need shelter, food and water. Life for the people of Ukraine has completely changed. Homes, schools and hospitals have been destroyed.

With your help, we can be ready to support the families who are in desperate need. Any donation you can give will make a difference to the Ukrainian people and will be matched by the Government, thus doubling your donation.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal>



- **Lent 2022 Fundraising Challenge:** This year's challenge is to walk 5kilometres per day in Lent - 200km in all - to help eradicate hunger in the world: a daunting task, but sadly a necessary one. TEAM FORGE (Vicky Chainey, Ingrid Finch & John Reid) have once again accepted the challenge, and hope to raise at least £500 for this essential work. Donations may be made in the usual way via at [Team Forge CAFOD Walk Against Hunger | Walk against Hunger | CAFOD](#) (Gift Aid if possible), or by cash to any Team Forge member.

- **Lenten Lunch Wednesday 16th March from 12pm - 2pm in the Benedicta Whistler Centre at St Mary's Church.** Monies raised will be given to MU overseas work to support families in need, which may now extend to Ukrainians of course. We have promises of 5 different soups, so please join us to share fellowship over a bowl of soup!
- **Rwanda Action Greetings Cards and Craft Sales This Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March**  
Sally has just returned from Rwanda with some lovely new designs ideal for Mothers' Day and Easter. She hopes that you will support poor widows and orphans in their cooperative in South West Rwanda and buy some cards and gifts after Mass this Sunday:
  - St. Teresa's after the 9 a.m. Mass
  - Battle after the 10:45 Mass

### News from our Diocese

- **Confirmation Catechist Reflection & Formation Day**  
Join us for a day of Lenten reflection led by The Catholic Bible School. You will have the opportunity to stop, pray, and spend time with the Lord during this season of renewal. You will also discover new and exciting ways to help young people connect to their faith.  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 10am-3.30pm St John the Evangelist Horsham Cost £5 email [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) for details.
- **Beginning Experience Weekend:** If you are single again following divorce, separation or the death of your partner, a residential weekend to help you to heal will be held from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. If you would like more details, please ring Freda 01322-838415 or Maura 07795-498445 or email [besouthofengland@gmail.com](mailto:besouthofengland@gmail.com).
- We are very pleased to let you know that we have opened online applications for the 2022 **Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage from 29 July - 4 August 2022** by Air, or for those who need assistance: 28 July - 5 August 2022 by Redshirt Coach / Jumbulance / Helper Coach. Online applications for all those who do not require any assistance in Lourdes or on the journey can be found on our website [lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk](http://lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk) or you can [click here](#).  
Paper applications for those who require assistance will be posted out in the new year. If you or someone you know would like to receive an Assisted Pilgrim Application Form, please email [office@ablourdes.org](mailto:office@ablourdes.org) with the name and postal address. The closing date for online applications is 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022.  
We are receiving several applications from Pilgrims who will require assistance to join this year's Lourdes Pilgrimage, but at this point we are short of Helpers, Nurses and Doctors to assist with their Pilgrimage. The Pilgrimage Office is happy to answer any questions anyone has prior to applying. The application form they should use is available on our website: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/home>
- **Flame Youth Conference - 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023**  
The theme will be 'Rise Up' and will see the return of Guvna B as well as some acclaimed national and international speakers. **We will be attending as a Diocese**, so please e-mail [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) to reserve your place.

- **Worth Abbey Retreats this Spring**

**Finding Stillness: 14 -17 March, Cost: £330 pp (3 nights).** Come away to a quiet place to find stillness and God's presence. Discover in the Benedictine tradition how stillness and stability can offer ways of opening up to God and living life at a deeper level.

Book your place W: [www.worth.co.uk/retreats](http://www.worth.co.uk/retreats) E: [retreats@worth.org.uk](mailto:retreats@worth.org.uk) T: 01342 710318

**Lent Reflection: 29 - 31 March, Cost: £220 per person.** Take time out during Lent to review your life and ask where God is calling you to change; to simplify things. Exploring the desert father tradition and the writings of John Cassian to examine thoughts and feelings and to see how it talks to us in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB, a member of the community at Worth.

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**Time Out: individual self-led retreats:** 6 - 8 May, 17 - 19 June and 18 - 22 July, Cost: £90 pp, per night. A chance for some time away to process, to reflect and to pray. There is no set programme other than group Lectio Divina at 9.30am, the usual monastic timetable of divine office and liturgy and the opportunity to meet with one of the community for reconciliation or a chat. These dates are set aside from the normal retreat programme to offer a bit of sanctuary for your own private retreat, with plenty of time to visit the Abbey Church for private prayer and reflection or explore the beautiful Worth Abbey estate.

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### SAINTS OF THE WEEK

#### **Feast of St Patrick, Bishop, Missionary - 17<sup>th</sup> March**

St Patrick (385-461) was born into a Christian Roman-British family. His first encounter with Ireland was as a slave after he was captured by raiders at the age of sixteen. After escaping, he probably studied in Gaul and was ordained priest. Around 432 he returned to Ireland as a missionary bishop and succeeded in consolidating the faith in large parts of the country.



#### **Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Not a single word of his is recorded in Sacred Scripture and yet St Joseph is one of the greatest and most popular saints, large because of his humility and his closeness to Our Lord. He died before the beginning of Jesus' public ministry and, since he probably died in the presence of Jesus and Mary, is venerated as the patron of a good death. Blessed Pius IX named him patron of the universal church and Blessed John XXIII added his name to the Roman Canon.



- The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm.
- The Parish Pastoral Team send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes.

## Vatican News

### **Pope appeals for peace in Ukraine and open humanitarian corridors**

Pope Francis makes a heartfelt plea for peace in Ukraine, guaranteed humanitarian corridors, and for all people to come to the assistance of the war victims, especially the mothers and children fleeing.

Pope Francis made the following appeal for an end to the hostilities in Ukraine and that humanitarian corridors be assured so those fleeing can reach emergency aid and shelter. He made the appeal during his Sunday Angelus

address in St. Peter's Square where 25,000 pilgrims were on-hand, some bearing Ukrainian flags.

*"Dear brothers and sisters,*

*Rivers of blood and tears are flowing in Ukraine. It is not merely a military operation, but a war, which sows death, destruction and misery. The number of victims is increasing, as are the people fleeing, especially mothers and children. The need for humanitarian assistance in that troubled country is growing dramatically by the hour. I make a heartfelt appeal for humanitarian corridors to be genuinely secured, and for aid to be guaranteed and access facilitated to the besieged areas, in order to offer vital relief to our brothers and sisters oppressed by bombs and fear. I thank all those who are taking in refugees. Above all, I implore that the armed attacks cease and that negotiation - and common sense - prevail. And that international law be respected once again! Let us pray together for Ukraine: we have its flags in front of us. Let us pray together, as brothers and sisters, to Our Lady, Queen of Ukraine. Hail Mary...*

*The Holy See is ready to do everything, to put itself at the service of this peace. In these days, two Cardinals went to Ukraine, to serve the people, to help. Cardinal Krajewski, the Almoner, to bring aid to the needy, and Cardinal Czerny, interim Prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. The presence of the two Cardinals there is the presence not only of the Pope, but of all the Christian people who want to get closer and say: "War is madness! Stop, please! Look at this cruelty!" "*



### **Two Indian nuns of Mother Teresa vow to stay with Ukrainians**

Two Indian Missionaries of Charity (MC), nuns of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, have decided to stay in Ukraine to serve the people amidst the full-scale military invasion by Russia that began on 24 February.

Natives of Northeast India's Mizoram state, Sisters Rosela Nuthangi and Ann Frida have expressed their decision to stay on in Ukraine, risking their lives to serve the injured and those fleeing the war.

The Superior General of the MC in Kolkata (formerly Calcutta), Sister Prema, contacted the two nuns on March 2, asking them to move to a safer place by road. But the two preferred to remain where they are to help the people in whichever way possible. The sisters have informed their relatives of their safety in spite of the great danger.

