

OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE
with
ST TERESA OF LISIEUX, HORNS CROSS

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 2 for Weekdays

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Weekend Mass Times

6pm Saturday 22nd August -
Battle (Carol Lynn RIP)

9am Sunday 23rd August -
Northiam (Lily D'Souza RIP)

10.45am Sunday 23rd August -
Battle (Maggie Lobo RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
after 6pm Mass Saturdays

Private Prayer Sessions - Battle
Monday, Wednesday
Friday 10am - 11am

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Fr Paul is happy to receive Mass Intentions for the weekend Masses.
- Mass Intentions passed to Fr Tony earlier this year will be said by Fr Paul privately, unless you would specifically like them to be said at one of the weekend masses, in which case you will need to contact the Parish Office.
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, or drop a note through the Presbytery door, thank you.
- In cases of special need Fr Raglan Hay-Will may be contacted in Eastbourne on 01323 723222.

Mass Procedures for the Weekend 22nd / 23rd August

- Arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass.
- Work on the Parish room roof has now been completed so the one-way system is back in operation at Our Lady Immaculate and St Michael, entrance will be through the Sacristy and exit will be via the main door. Please observe the instructions of the Stewards when entering or exiting the church.
- The churches in Battle and Northiam are using the '1 metre plus face covering' regulations. *Please ensure that you wear a face covering at all times when in Church.*
- Holy Communion will be a host placed in the hand (not on the tongue). A Steward will tell you when to approach the altar. You will see a small table at the head of the aisle. Stand close to this table and the priest will give you a Communion Host. The steward

will show you back to your seat. If you are sitting on the aisle side of the bench, allow the wall side parishioners to enter the bench first: do not change places.

- When Mass is over – please wait in your bench until a Steward asks you to leave and maintain a one-metre separation and please keep your face covering in place until you leave the church. Please do so as quickly as possible as the Church has to be sanitised after Mass before the next Mass or prayer session.
- Collection plates will be available as you leave the Church.
- A continued thank you to our Church Stewards who enable us to keep the Church open.
- Please dispose of used masks and gloves in the white bins in Church and not in the house recycling bins.

- **Booking for Mass in future weeks**

At present, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended. For those able to attend, and if you wish to attend Mass in either of our Churches, for the foreseeable future you must first register, preferably by e-mail to battle@abdiocese.org.uk, or phone 01424 773125 by 9am on the Thursday of the week prior – the earlier you can do this, the better please. This is necessary to ensure compliance with Diocesan Guidelines on social distancing in our small churches. **Please note booking after lunch on Thursdays does not help as by then the office is closed, please book early in the week.**

- **Home Visits.** At present home visits by Ministers have been suspended. Parishioners will be informed as soon as they are able to visit.
- **Baptisms and other Sacraments** – Please contact the Parish Office with any requests.
- **Church in Battle Open for Private Prayer.** The church is our spiritual home, and parishioners are encouraged to attend if they can on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am – 11am. More stewards please!** Let Maggie know by e-mail: battle@abdiocese.org.uk if you can spare an hour on any of these mornings.
- **If you cannot attend Mass** and wish to follow a local live Mass, Fr Eamonn Monson from St Mary Star of the Sea in Hastings, will stream his 10am Mass on You Tube (in the search bar type in Eamonn Monson). Arundel Cathedral streams Mass here [live stream](https://www.churchservices.tv). <https://www.churchservices.tv> is also a source of streamed Masses.

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

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Jim Ayres, Jack Morgan.

From St Teresa's: Keith Bourne, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster.

Gift Aid Envelopes

If you are booked into the weekend's Mass your current year's Gift Aid envelopes will be left at the back of the Church for you to collect. Please only collect your own box.

Prayers for Lebanon and Belarus

The Holy Father has asked that we remember the people of Lebanon and Belarus in our prayers. The Pope stated in his Angelus *"My thoughts also go to the dear [country of] Belarus, I am following attentively the post-electoral situation in that country."* Pope Francis called for *"dialogue, the rejection of violence, respect for justice and rights"* in Belarus as mass protests continue to take place following last week's disputed presidential election. *"I entrust all of Belarus to Our Lady, Queen of Peace."*

Saints of the Week

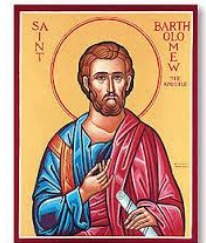
Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin – 23rd August

St Rose (1586-1617) was born in Lima (Peru). Influenced by the example of St Catherine of Siena, she lived a life of prayer and penance and joined the Third Order of St Dominic. The first canonised saint from the Americas, she is venerated as the patron of Latin America and the Philippines.



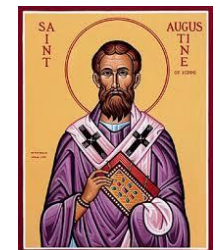
Feast of St Bartholomew, Apostle – 24th August

Born in Galilee, one of the twelve apostles. He is probably to be identified with Nathanael, whom Philip called to follow Jesus. Tradition says that he preached the gospel in India and was martyred there.



St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church – 28th August

Born at Thagaste in North Africa in 354, Augustine was a brilliant young man whose early life was wild and unsettled. He was converted by the prayers of his mother, and baptised by St Ambrose, bishop of Milan, in 387. He returned to Africa, and lived an ascetic life. He became Bishop of Hippo. His many writings present a theology and a spirituality that are exceptional, and have had great influence.



Summer Holiday Food Project

This project is being run by a group of volunteers from the Battle Churches. We are offering weekly food parcels to local families whose children have free school meals and who will struggle to feed them during the 6 weeks when schools are closed (July 27 – Sept 5). Our aim is to make sure the children have something suitable to eat at lunchtime. The project is an addition to the support already being offered by Battle Foodbank.

We shall need donations of food and cash to buy food. If you would like to donate or can volunteer to help pack and deliver food parcels, please contact Alison Hassell for more information. Email: hassellaj@gmail.com Tel: 774737 or text 07783 671624

The office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am – 12.30pm. If you have yet to do so, please send Maggie in the office your updated contact details, as we would prefer not to have to send too many letters, but use e-mail for contact if possible.

The Parish Pastoral Team send all parishioners their prayers and good wishes.