OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE

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Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities Year 1 for Weekdays

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Weekend 29th / 30th April

King Charles' Coronation Next weekend, The Coronation will be shown live in the Church, Hall available for refreshments. Mass times for Sunday 7th will be Northiam at 8:15am and Battle at 11:15am. Please make a note in your diaries!

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saturday 29/04 6pm	Battle	The Fourth Sunday of Easter	Peggy Barnes, RIP
Sunday 30/04 9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 30/04 10.45am	Battle		Jerry O'Donaghue, RIP
Monday 01/05	NO MASS		
Tuesday 02/05 6pm	Battle	Saint Athanasius	Intention of Mary Oliver
Wednesday 03/05 10am	Battle	Saints Philip & James, Apostles	No Intention Followed by coffee & cake in the Parish Room
Thursday 04/05 6am	Battle	The English Martyrs	No Intention
Friday 05/05 10am	Battle	Friday of the Fourth Week of Eastertide	No Intention

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for Fifth Sunday of Easter:

• First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

Trusting in the Holy Spirit, the Church grows in number.

• Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Christ is the cornerstone of our faith.

• Gospel: John 14:1-12

Jesus tells his disciples not to be troubled. He will show us the way.

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, Dilys Fraser, 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, Lawrence Youlten.

Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Guy Hooper, Judith Bridge, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins.

- 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 new 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 are Jars of decaf coffee; UHT Milk; Tins of Fruit; Tins of Tomatoes; Pot Noodles; 500gm bags of Sugar; Toilet Rolls; Washing Up Liquid and Washing Powder/capsules.
- Coffee & Cake this Wednesday in the Parish Room after the 10am Mass. Everyone is very welcome!
- Missio Red Boxes, Battle: In 2022, Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael raised £761.29 through our Red boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our missionary community here at Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of projects such as the Fundonq Mission station in Cameroon has enable Fr, Leon, a Mill Hill Missionary, to help children learn in a safe environment and instil values that empower them to turn away from conflict and towards faith in God. Visit mission.org.uk to find out more about how your support changes lives for the better.
- 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

The Diocese is recruiting a part time Safeguarding Administrator based at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. The successful post holder will process Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks for diocesan parishes, volunteers and teams with full training given. For an informal discussion about the role please contact the Safeguarding Office Manager, Bethany Arthur; T: 01293 651148 or E: safeguarding@abdiocese.org.uk. For further details and to apply visit W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/soa. The deadline for applications is 19 May 2023.

The Diocese is recruiting a part time Senior Administrator for the diocesan Tribunal, based at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. The Tribunal team handles marriage cases, including supporting those seeking marriage annulment. The successful post holder will report to the Judicial Vicar and must have excellent interpersonal skills and a pastoral approach. Role begins 1 September 2023. For further details about the role or to apply visit

W: <u>www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/sat</u> . The deadline for applications is 12 noon on Friday 26 May 2023. Interviews will take place Tuesday 6 June 2023.

Diocesan run events

- ➤ Liturgy of the Word with children Free training for Liturgy Leaders Saturday 13 May 9.30am 1pm at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley.

 This is an opportunity for both those who are new to this as well as the experienced.

 Why do we have a Liturgy of the Word for Children? How can we best deliver it as a Liturgy at an appropriate level? What resources are there? How can we use this to help families
 - develop their faith at home? If you are interested in any of these questions please do join us. If you wish to discuss your engagement with this training before booking please contact Katherine Bergin, Diocesan Advisor E: Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk
- ➤ Mental Health Champion Training Day Saturday 10 June 9-4pm. Cost £60 at St John the Evangelist church hall, Springfield Road, Horsham

This one day course trains you as an MHFA Champion, giving you:

- An understanding of common mental health issues
- Knowledge and confidence to advocate for mental health awareness
- Ability to spot signs of mental ill health
- Skills to support positive wellbeing

It is hoped that these skills will empower you to lead on projects in your Parish to improve wellbeing in the community.

The course is accredited by MHFA England and you will receive a certificate of attendance. If you wish to discuss your engagement with this course before booking please contact Lizzie Wakeling, Diocesan Advisor E: <u>Lizzie.Wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</u>

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar W: https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events

Externally run events/items

Worth Abbey

> Praying the Eucharist - 25-27 April - Fr David Jarmy OSB

Since the Second Vatican Council enormous time and energy has been put into renewal of the liturgy – mainly through encouraging active participation. In recent years we seem to have reached another stage – where emphasis has changed to ask the question, how do I pray the Mass? What difference does this make to my life?

This retreat will help you ask some of these questions and more importantly move into a deeper prayerful way of celebrating the Eucharist. We will be re-discovering some of the major teaching of the early Church Fathers and becoming more aware of the richness of symbolism which brings the Eucharist to life. "I am increasingly aware that the decisive question is not so much how believers experience the liturgy, but whether believers live from the liturgy" – Goffredo Boselli. The retreat will help you understand the Eucharist more, fully interiorise it more effectively and live it more authentically.

- > Time Out: Individual self-guided retreats 15-18 May, 26-30 June, 1-6 August. Cost: £90 per person, per night, minimum booking 2 nights.
 - Spend time at Worth Abbey enjoying the rhythm of the monastic prayer and liturgy, time in reflection and the peace of the Sussex countryside. There is no set programme other than the monastic liturgy, to which you are warmly invited and an optional daily Lectio Divina session. There is also opportunity meet with a monk for reconciliation or a chat.
- ➤ Places are limited for all retreats, so book your place early to avoid disappointment. For further information please contact T:01342 710318, E:<u>retreats@worth.org.uk</u> or W:worth.co.uk