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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities  
Year 2 for Weekdays

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### Weekend Mass Times

6pm Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Battle  
(Intention of the McAdie Family)

9am Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July - Northiam  
(Denis Meares, RIP)

10.45am Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July -  
Battle - (Jack & Ruth Parsons,  
RIP)

10am Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July -  
Battle (Jack Morgan RIP)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation  
after 6pm Mass Saturdays**

## THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Weekend 23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022

### Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

- **First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32**  
Abraham, the friend of God, asks God to have mercy on a sinful city.
- **Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14**  
Paul assures us that God's forgiveness of sin is total and absolute.
- **Gospel: Luke 11:1-13**  
Jesus teaches those who follow him to call God "Father" and invites them into his own life of prayer.

### **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, Jim & Ruth Ayres, Richard & Brenda Widenka, Helen Powell, Tom Dodd, Dilys Fraser, Anthony Gibbons, Suzanne McAdie.

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

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

Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Jack Morgan, Guy Hooper, Judith Bridge, Maureen Ashing, Henry Cheung, Gerard Leahy.

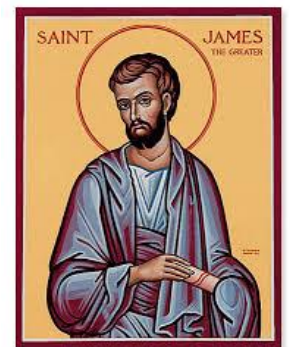
- If you feel you need to contact Fr Paul for any reason, his phone number is: 01323 670156.

- 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, with a Minister or with Fr Paul, who is happy to make home visits, on 01424 773125 or [battle@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:battle@abdiocese.org.uk).
- 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/>
- **Don't forget coffee and cake in the Parish Room next Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August, after Mass - everybody very welcome!**
- There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion Service next Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> July, as Fr Paul will be away - please join us as usual.

### Saints of the Week

#### **Feast of St James, Apostle - 25<sup>th</sup> July**

St James (+44), the son of Zebedee, was called by the Lord together with his brother St John. He was one of the three apostles, along with St Peter and St John, who witnessed the Transfiguration (Mt 17:1) and the agony in the Garden (Mt 16:37). He was condemned to death by Herod Agrippa and beheaded in the year 44, the first of the Twelve to be martyred. His reputed shrine at Santiago de Compostela (Spain) remains a popular pilgrimage centre.



#### **Memorial of Sts Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 26<sup>th</sup> July**

These names are given to the mother and father of the Blessed Virgin Mary by a tradition dating back to the second century. As St John Damascene wrote: 'O blessed couple. All creation is in your debt. For through you is presented the noblest of gifts to the creator, namely a spotless mother who alone was worthy for the creator.'



#### **Memorial of Sts Mary, Martha and Lazarus - 29<sup>th</sup> July**

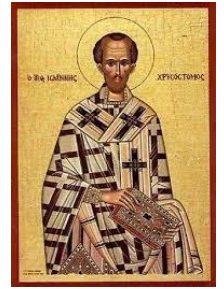
On January 26, 2021, Pope Francis ordered the inscription of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus into the General Roman Calendar, to replace the existing celebration of Saint Martha alone. Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus are celebrated each year as an Obligatory Memorial on July 29.

St Martha (first century) was the sister of Mary and Lazarus. Her house at Bethany was often visited by the Lord, who encouraged her to unite her busy life of work with a life of contemplation. According to tradition, St Martha was eventually driven out of Palestine and settled in Provence (France).



## **Memorial of St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor – 30<sup>th</sup> July**

St Peter Chrysologus (c.380-c.450) was born in Imola (Italy) and appointed Bishop of Ravenna in 433. He remained close to the imperial family, with whom he is depicted in a mosaic at Ravenna, and was called 'Chrysologus' or 'Golden Worded' by the Empress Galla Placidia. He is best remembered for his eloquent homilies as well as his battles against heresy. He was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1729.



- 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.

### **News from our Diocese**

#### **Diocesan run events:**

- **A Day at the Seaside for Young Adults (18-35) (rescheduled) Saturday 20 August at Our Lady Star of the Sea, East Preston at 11am**  
A day at the seaside with Fr Stephen Ortiger! Fr Stephen, a Benedictine monk who is currently working in Parish Ministry is looking forward to celebrating Mass and then spending the day with the young adults of our Diocese. After Mass we will walk along the sea front to a beach side cafe where we will share lunch together.  
Contact E: [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) for more information.
- To find out about events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>
- The diocesan Inclusion Adviser Margaret Fraher is available to advise about access to all diocesan, deanery or parish, liturgies, events, and groups and can be contacted by individuals or parishes regarding specific needs and how best to meet them, E: [margaret.fraher@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:margaret.fraher@abdiocese.org.uk) or M: 07508459315. When signing up for an event on the diocesan website please remember to specify if you have a particular need or challenge, so that Margaret can get in touch with you.

#### **Externally run Diocesan events at Worth Abbey:**

- **The Abbot and Monks invite you to the Worth Abbey Festival - 'A Place of Beauty and Joy'. Bank Holiday Monday 29 August 2022 from 1pm – 4.30pm Admission Free**  
This special Open Day will celebrate the beauty that is Worth, sharing the monastic offices with the monks in the Abbey, including music from the Abbey's resident, internationally acclaimed organist. There will be a guided walk through the Worth estate with pauses for prayers and reflection, tours throughout the day exploring the historic rooms in Worth School, visits to St Bruno's Retreat Centre and the Open Cloister programme of weekday and weekend retreats, activities for children and afternoon refreshments on the South Terrace overlooking the Sussex High Weald. Families welcome – plenty of car parking.  
For more information visit W: [worthabbey.net](http://worthabbey.net) or email E: [pilgrims@worth.org.uk](mailto:pilgrims@worth.org.uk) or call T: 01342 710370.
- **Finding Stillness: 20-23 September Cost £330 per person**  
'Be still and know that I am God' (Psalm 46). Come to Worth Abbey and encounter this refreshing and empowering stillness. Through the Benedictine tradition, discover how



stillness can be part of your everyday life and how transformative it can be. The retreat will include: teachings in lectio divina and stilling the mind, as well as an opportunity to have a 1:1 meeting with a member of the monastic community. To book and pay for your place for either event go to W: [www.worth.co.uk](http://www.worth.co.uk) For further information contact us: T: 01342 710318  
E: [retreats@worth.org.uk](mailto:retreats@worth.org.uk)

### Vatican News

#### **Pope Francis: Digital media raises serious ethical issues**

Although modern means of communication can be "a powerful means of fostering communion and dialogue within our human family," they can also become "places of toxicity, hate speech, and fake news," warns Pope Francis, in a message to the lay communications network SIGNIS, which is holding its annual World Congress in Seoul in August.



"It is appropriate," the Pope says, "that, in these days marked by new outbreaks of violence and aggression in our world, you have chosen as the theme of your World Congress 'Peace in the Digital World.'"

**Serious ethical issues:** Pope Francis notes, "The use of digital media, especially social media, has raised a number of serious ethical issues that call for wise and discerning judgment on the part of communicators, and all those concerned with authenticity and the quality of human relationships." SIGNIS, he continues, "can play an important role" in meeting this challenge, especially through "media education, networking Catholic media, and countering lies and misinformation."

In his message, the Pope encourages SIGNIS members to persevere in their efforts by helping people "develop a sound critical sense, learning to distinguish truth from falsehood, right from wrong, good from evil, and to appreciate the importance of working for justice, social concord, and respect for our common home." At the same time, recognizing that many communities have limited access to "the digital space," he calls on SIGNIS communicators to make "digital inclusion a priority" in their planning.

**The value of listening:** The Holy Father also calls attention to the importance of listening "as the first and indispensable ingredient of dialogue and good communication," an issue he highlighted in his message for World Communication Day 2022.

*"Communication is not just a profession, but a service to dialogue and understanding between individuals and larger communities in the pursuit of a serene and peaceful coexistence."*

Listening, he says, "is likewise essential to the synodal journey that the whole Church has undertaken in these years," recalling the ongoing Synod on Synodality that will culminate at the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in October 2023. "It is my hope," Pope Francis says, "that, in your communication, you will contribute to this process by assisting the holy and faithful people of God in our commitment to listen to one another, to the Lord's will, and to grow in the awareness that we participate in a communion that precedes and includes us."

*"In this way, your efforts to foster 'Peace in the Digital World' will help to create an ever more 'symphonic' Church, whose unity is expressed in a harmonious and sacred polyphony."*