OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL, BATTLE

with

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend 25th / 26th October 2025

Saturday 25/10	6 pm	Battle	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Paul Weller, RIP
Sunday 26/10	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 26/10	11am	Battle		Deceased Brothers of Hastings & Bexhill 66 Catenian Circle
Monday 27/10	NO MASS			
Tuesday 28/10	6 pm	Battle	Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles	No Intention
Wednesday 29/10	10am	Battle	Wednesday of Week 30 in Ordinary Time	Leslie Bradshaw, RIP
Thursday 30/10	9.45am	Battle	Thursday of Week 30 in Ordinary Time	Deceased Members of the Finn Family
Friday 31/11	10am	Battle	Friday of Week 30 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Saturday 1/11	6рт	Battle	Solemnity of All Saints	Brian Knowles, RIP
Sunday	9am	Northiam		Patricia Meares, RIP Followed by coffee & cake
2/11	11am	Battle		People of the Parish
	2pm	Northiam		Blessing of Graves

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for Solemnity of All Saints

- First Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
 Behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages.
- Second reading: 1 John 3:1-3 We shall see God as he is.
- Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a
 Blessed are the poor in spirit.

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

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Helena Powell, Tom Dodd, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Marianne Clemence, Marie & Sarah Skilton, Phil & Pauline Bedford, Dilys Fraser, Claire and Peter Bates.

From St Teresa's: Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Margot Leahy, Jacquelyn Solly, Felicity Youlten.

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

Guy Hooper, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Anthony Gibbons RIP, Katie Spall RIP, Cilla Wintle RIP, Paul Weller RIP, Michael Conroy RIP, Fr Wilson RIP, Maureen Shaw RIP, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett, RIP, Pauline Fraser, RIP.

- **Blessing of Graves at St Teresa's Cemetery:** The Blessing of the Graves will be held at St Teresa's on Sunday 2nd November at 2pm, followed by refreshments.
- **Battle Bonfire Night 8th November:** Advance notice the Saturday evening Mass on 8th November will be at the earlier time of 5pm. This will allow everyone to get home before the roads are closed for Battle Bonfire.
- **Rwanda Christmas cards and gifts:** By popular demand Sally Chaplin will be selling the lovely Rwanda cards and gifts after the Northiam and Battle Masses on Sunday 9th November. Please pop the date in your diaries!
- Advance Notice: The Saturday evening Mass will change to the earlier time of 5pm starting on the First Sunday of Advent, Saturday 29th November. Please make a note in your diaries.
- **Battle Foodbank:** Our needs this week are Bottles of Sunflower Oil; Cartons of Long-life Fruit Juice; Cartons of Long-Life Whole Milk (Blue); 500gm packets of Sugar and Sponge Puddings please any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome thank you for all your donations they are very much appreciated.
- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday morning, in the Parish Room at 10.15am with Lindsey. Please stay for a relaxed coffee and chat afterwards too. If you would like to join, please contact the office for more information: 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk.

• APF Mill Hill Missions - Red Boxes: Battle

I am now undertaking the annual return when we ask all Battle/ Northiam Red Box holders to hand in their box at church to be emptied so that I can complete our annual return. Please can you bring your box into Mass over the next couple of weeks or by the end of November and hand it to Father or me. If anyone has difficulty bringing in their box, please can you let me know. Thank you. Suzanne 07958 353722

• Thank you for supporting CAFOD's Family Fast Day!

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal. Your donations in our parish collection and online are helping families like Waré's in Ethiopia. CAFOD's local partners worked with Waré's community to build an underground water tank that now provides safe water for 300 families. Your support this Harvest will help more communities have better access to safe water. You can read more about Ware's story here: cafod.org.uk/harvest

Diocesan run events/news

A reminder that the Diocese sends out a weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard's Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community. Please click on the link to sign up mailto:mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist – it's a great way to stay in touch!

Externally run events

St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth - get to know your local Benedictine monastery. *A month of beauty, faith and reflection in the peace of the Surrey Hills*. St Augustine's Abbey is a Roman Catholic Benedictine monastery near Guildford, Surrey and the monks welcome members of the public of all faiths and none. Sunday Mass is at 10am (followed by coffee), daily Mass is at 9am, daily Divine Office is seven times daily. Experience the ancient wisdom of monastic life - stay in our monastic guest house (by donation).

Saturday 8 November 2025 - 10:30am - 12:20pm

Public talk — Spiritual Dimensions to the Aesthetic Response: Antonello da Messina's The Virgin Annunciate. Talk with illustrations by Fr Raphael Daley.

Saturday 15 November 2025 — 10:30am – 12:2pm

The Mystery of God (session 3: "The Divine Attributes"). Monthly faith formation series (based on Bishop Robert Barron's series) led by Fr John Seddon OSB.

Thursday 20 November 2025 - 7 – 8:20pm

Public talk — A. E. Housman: Scholar, Poet, Enigma. An evening talk by Rt Rev Dom Paulinus Greenwood OSB. Immediately after the talk, attendees are welcome to attend Compline with sung Gregorian Chant in the Abbey Church (approx. 8:30–8:50 pm).

Saturday 22 November 2025 - 10am - 12 noon

Indigenous Spirituality: North America (USA & Canada) - part of the six month exploration series led by Sheila Longman. (This is the North America / First Nations session.)

Wednesdays (most weeks) - 7:30pm - 8:15pm

Lay Ecumenical Christian Meditation Group - weekly Christian meditation in the Assisi Room; no booking required. Attendees are invited to join Compline with sung Gregorian Chant in the Abbey Church afterwards (8:30–8:50 pm).

Venue for all talks: Assisi Room, St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8QR

Early advance booking is essential for all talks (limited capacity of 30) via http://www.ticketsource.co.uk (search 'Chilworth Abbey')

Sunday 14 December 2025 3.30pm - Advent Carol Service with traditional Gregorian Chant Sunday 14 December 2025, 3.30pm

- 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
- The office is open Monday and Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 1.30pm.