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Weekend 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

22 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 02/09 6pm	Battle	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Veronica Molloy, RIP
Sunday 03/09 9am	Northiam		No Intention
Sunday 03/09 10.45am	Battle		People of the Parish
Monday 04/09	NO MASS		
Tuesday 05/09 6pm	Battle	Tuesday of week 22 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 06/09 10am	Battle	Wednesday of week 22 in Ordinary Time	Intention of the Deceased Parents of Joe Hanson Followed by Coffee & Cake in the Parish Room
Thursday 07/09 6am	Battle	Thursday of week 22 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Friday 08/09	NO MASS		
Sacrament of Reconciliation available after all Masses and upon Request			

## Introduction to the Scripture Readings for The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9 We can save one another's lives of faith.
- Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10 Love is the answer to everything.
- Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20 Jesus teaches us to try to resolve our differences, knowing that he is always among us.

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, 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 & Felicity Youlten.

**Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week:** Una Wade, Frances Cresswell, Guy Hooper, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Anthony Gibbons.

- 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 <u>battle@abdiocese.org.uk</u>.
- 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, thank you.
- If you wish to follow a live Mass please follow this link from our Diocesan website <a href="https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream">https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream</a> or via <a href="https://www.churchservices.tv/">https://www.churchservices.tv/</a>
- **Battle Foodbank** Foodbank needs this week are 500 gm packs of Sugar, Tins of Potatoes or Instant Mash; Tins of Hot Meat Pies; Tins of Fish; Jars of Honey and Children's Cereals please any toiletries, toilet rolls, household products and nappies are always appreciated thank you so much.
- Please join us for coffee and cake in the Parish Room after Mass the 10am on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, at Battle. Everyone is very welcome.
- There will NO MASS on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September, there will be a private family only funeral for Lawrence Youlten at St Teresa's that morning. There will be a Memorial Service which will be open to all friends and Parishioners, the date will be arranged in due course.
- **Eastbourne & Bexhill Newman Circle:** Father Mike Hagan will be giving a Talk "The Sign of the Times" on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 7.00 for 7.30 9.00pm at Our Lady of Ransom Church Hall, Eastbourne BN21 4EU. This Talk is part of the Faith Enrichment Programme, arranged in conjunction with the Eastbourne and Bexhill Newman Circle. All are welcome to attend.
- The Lima amount donated for July from the Parishioners of St Teresa's came to £85-00 and the grand total since 1999 is £19,205,12. Thank you all for your continued generosity.

• Janet Brodrick-Ward is making marmalade for charity and would like any clean, empty jam jars with lids 370g size. If you have any, could you please leave them at the back of the Church for Janet to collect, thank you.

# • Rwanda Action Quiz Night - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

**Venue**: Vinehall School **Time:** 6:30 pm for 7 pm start

There will be a bar and an exciting raffle; competitors may bring their own snacks or picnic. Each table of 8 players costs £100, or individuals wanting to join a table £12.50 each (please contact Sally if you want to join a table at <u>scpeasmarsh@hotmail.com</u> and she will arrange it). **Payment**: Rwanda Action Sort code: 20-27-91 Account No: 50874531

- 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

#### **Diocesan run events**

Youth Mental Health First Aid – 4 evenings on-line – Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13, Tuesday 19 and Wednesday 20 September 6pm – 9.30pm

This Youth Mental Health First Aid course is for everyone who works with, lives with or supports young people aged 8-18. It will teach you the skills and confidence to spot the signs of mental health issues in a young person, offer first aid and guide them towards the support they need. In doing so, you can speed up a young person's recovery and stop a mental health issue from getting worse. Our course won't teach you to be a therapist, but we will teach you to listen, reassure and respond, even in a crisis - and even potentially stop a crisis from happening.

But more than that, we aim to give you the information and skills to look after your own mental health so that you can set an example for young people. By giving you the tools to have these conversations, we hope to empower you to create a mentally healthy, supportive environment in your family, school, peer group or community. Let's create a future where mental health is treated as a normal part of life, in the same way as physical health. A future where every young person has access to support if they need it. The course is accredited by MHFA England and you will receive a certificate of attendance. Attached is the booking link Youth Mental Health First Aid - 4 Evenings Online (12-Sep-2023) · ChurchSuite Events If you wish to discuss your engagement with this course before booking please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Advisor E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

Catholic Young Adults: Dating & Relationships – starts Monday 18 September - online The Diocesan Youth Adviser, Lizzie, is hosting a short course on the Theology of the Body, and exploring what it means to navigate society's dating culture as a young Catholic. The course starts on Monday 18 September, lasts for 4 weeks and takes place online - we look forward to welcoming you whoever you are, whether you are happily single, in a relationship or looking for love! We also encourage young married couples to join, as you will learn more about how God wants to bless your marriage.

E: <u>lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</u> for more information.

Youth Ministry Training Course – 16 September & 7 October at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley

Do you want to see more young people engaged in your Parish? Are you a Confirmation Catechist looking to learn more about how to engage and evangelise teenagers? Do you feel called to set up a youth group? If the answer to any of these is yes, then you need to attend the two day training course hosted by our Diocesan Youth Adviser, Lizzie Wakeling. E: <u>lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</u> for details.

### Catechists' Day – Saturday 23 September at Worth School

A day of formation, prayer and conversation for existing catechists, those interested in exploring being a catechist and those who might need a little encouragement to consider this vocation. If you are involved or interested in working with Children's Liturgy, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage or RCIA, you are very welcome to come along. The doors will be open from 10.30am for refreshments, with the programme beginning at 11am. We aim to finish at around 4pm.

For more information, please contact Jon Harman, Formation Adviser E:

<u>Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk</u> Register your place here : <u>Catechists' Day (23-Sep-2023)</u>. <u>ChurchSuite Events</u> A poster is attached for display in your parish.

## Altar Server Mass – Saturday 23 September at Arundel Cathedral

Fr Aaron Spinelli, Diocesan Director for the Guild of St Stephen, invites diocesan altar servers to a special Mass at Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 23 September at 12 noon, led by Bishop Richard. The Mass is for all those who have served, all those who are serving, and anybody who would like to serve - all are very welcome. Fr Aaron requests attendees bring a cassock/cotta or an alb (if possible), and a packed lunch. There is no need to register, though attendees are asked to E: <u>aaron.spinelli@abdiocese.org.uk</u> to confirm numbers. Please note that children need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian/carer and that Fr Aaron/the Cathedral cannot take responsibility for unaccompanied minors.

A Day of Reflection for Grandparents – Tuesday 26 September 2023 11am-3.30pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley

Life experience comes at the price of the hard knocks and joyful moments and Fr Stephen Ortiger will help us to explore those and how we can see the hand of God in our lives. Our Youth Adviser, Lizzie Wakeling, will offer some helpful hints and tips into communicating with young people and tuning into what they may find helpful as they navigate their way in life. Attached is the booking link <u>A Day of Reflection for Grandparents (26-Sep-2023)</u>. <u>ChurchSuite Events</u> If you wish to discuss your participation please contact the Marriage and Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin E: <u>Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk</u>.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 30 September 2023 11.30am-2pm at Our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne

Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass at 11.30am followed by a small drinks reception. Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows and revel in the joy that marriage can bring. Family and friends are very welcome. Attached is the booking link <u>Marriage Anniversaries Mass (30-Sep-2023) · ChurchSuite Events</u> If you wish to discuss your participation please contact the Marriage and Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin E: <u>Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk</u>. A poster is attached for display in your parish.

- Anti-Slavery Day Slavery on our doorstep! Hidden in plain sight Wednesday 18 October – Fitzherbert Community Hub, Brighton Come and find out how modern slavery is very much here in our local area and how we can respond. Speakers from Sussex Police, Justice and Care, Help for Homes and Sussex and Surrey Modern Slavery Ambassadors. Light refreshments provided. Attached is the booking link <u>Anti Slavery Day - Slavery on our doorstep! Hidden in plain sight. (18-Oct-2023) · ChurchSuite Events</u> For more information, please contact Tessa Ricketts, Caritas Social Action Network Adviser E: tessa.ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk
- St Philip Howard Mass at Arundel Cathedral 22 October at 3pm. People across our Diocese are invited to join the annual St Philip Howard Mass at Arundel Cathedral followed by refreshments at the Cathedral Centre. There will be an opportunity to view materials from

the recent Arundel Museum exhibition 'Arundel Cathedral 1873 - 2023'. All are welcome, booking is not required.

## > Would you like to learn more about the Catholic Faith?

As part of the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies, different subjects are taught in depth over Saturdays in Crawley. These include the Scriptures, the Person of Jesus Christ, the Church and its sacramental life and moral understanding. The modules can be attended separately or can build as part of the Certificate. These courses, beginning in October run to April and suit anyone who is interested in developing knowledge of their faith, whether personally or to support a ministry. For more information, please contact the Formation Adviser, Deacon Jon Harman E: jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk

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

# Vatican News

# Pope entrusts Apostolic Journey to Mongolia to Our Lady



Pope Francis travelled across Rome on Wednesday afternoon to make a brief stop at the Basilica of St. Mary Major.

This is the 111th time the Holy Father has visited the Papal Basilica to pray at the icon before, or upon his return from, an Apostolic Journey.

The Pope took a moment to pray before the ancient icon of Maria Salus Populi Romani, according to the Holy See Press Office.

He entrusted his upcoming Apostolic Journey to Mongolia to the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Holy Father departs on the afternoon of Thursday, 31 August, for Ulaanbaatar and returns to Rome on Monday, 4 September.