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*Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the hour of battle,
be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil*

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1/2 JUNE 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	6.00pm	James McLaughlin RIP (JMcl)	<i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
Sunday	9.30am	People of Parish	<i>World Communications Day</i> <i>Please join us for coffee after Mass</i>
Monday	9.30am	Private Intention (AW)	
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	<i>St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>
Wednesday	9.30am	Billy Rice RIP (JMcG)	<i>Rosary after 9.30am Mass</i>
Thursday	9.30am 10-11am	Craig Smart RIP Adoration	<i>St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr</i>
Friday	11.00am	Funeral Mass of Madeline Callaghan	<i>No morning Mass</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	People of Parish	

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 – 5.45pm, Wednesday after Mass and on request.

Please pray for parishioners and loved ones who are sick: Bob Whiting, David Napper, Kerry Thomson, Moira Clark, Hilary Kepa, Alex Woods, Catherine Beviss, Barry Parsons, Pat Fitzpatrick, Dave Hall, Denise Caruana, Chris Romanchek, Alan Roberts, T L Mallillin, Tony Holley, Tim & Claire Key, Geoffrey Clark, David Jarman, Brian Johnstone, Susan B, Cathy H, Michael Lambe, Antoinette McLaughlin, Robert Gibson, Lucie Elliott, Leslie Sarcoe, Joan Nixon, Seamus Lardner, Anne Jewson, Joan Worthington, Mary Wilson, Janet Stephens, Terry Kilgallon.



For those who have died recently: Craig Smart, Madeline Callaghan, His Holiness Pope Francis, Ian Penny, Dennis Lamb, Ann Edwards, Barbara McKenna, Steve Dunn, Sue Dixon, Peter Goldsworthy, Deirdre Hussey, Enid Parsons, Fr Terence McLean-Wilson, Michael Hanrahan, Fr Ollie Heaney, Kathleen Osborn, Jill Juster, Christina Spanton, **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Katie Leahy, Guillermo Gallego Sr, Christy Barron, John Roberts, David Myers, Barney Wilcox, Rosemary Howard-Tripp, Roland McMillan, Gertie Chapman.

Thank you for your generosity last weekend
2nd Coll(Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese): £107.10

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES

Our weekend Masses and the Tuesday Holy Communion Service are being Live Streamed and Recorded. These are available for 7 days on our YouTube channel [St Michael's Catholic Church Worthing](#). Please note that you will appear in the live stream/recording if you are serving on or stand on the sanctuary/altar at any time or sit in the benches behind the reader's lectern. Please ensure you give consent for any children visible in the recording by signing a parental consent form which

can be found in the entrance foyer and on our [website](#). Please hand completed forms to Father Chris.

WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

We have a car park at the rear of our church which you are encouraged to use, to keep good traffic access in Hayling Rise for our neighbours, buses, and emergency vehicles. Please keep visibility on our driveway clear by not parking close to the entrance either on the driveway or on Hayling Rise. *The car park may be*

closed on weekdays during our current building works, please park thoughtfully on Hayling Rise in this instance and allow turning access for large vehicles. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative advises that, in accordance with Diocesan guidelines, until we have DBS checked volunteers to run Children's Liturgy, then **a parent/guardian must attend with their child** and ensure they take responsibility for them during that time. Any parishioners who would like to join the liturgy rota, please speak to Fr Chris.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY – 27 May 2025

'Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts'

In the first days of Pope Leo XIV's pontificate, he has spoken frequently of the need for peace. In an audience with media professionals days after his election, he made a call for communication to foster peace by caring for how people and events are presented. He invited those present to promote a different kind of communication, one that "does not seek consensus at all costs, does not use aggressive words, does not follow the culture of competition, and never separates the search for truth from the love with which we must humbly seek it. The way we communicate is of fundamental importance, we must say 'no' to the war of words and images; we must reject the paradigm of war." In conclusion, Pope Leo XIV echoed Pope Francis' Message for the 2025 World Day of Social Communication:

"Let us disarm communication of all prejudice and resentment, fanaticism and even hatred. Let us disarm words, and we will help disarm the world." For more info visit www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd/

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

There is a meeting for parents on **Wednesday 4 June**, at 7.30pm in the Hall. The next session of preparation for the children will be on **Saturday 7 June** at 10am in the Hall, followed by 9.30am Mass on **Sunday 8 June**. The full programme can be viewed on our website in the Sacraments/Eucharist section here.

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH SHOP – FIRST COMMUNION

St Michael's Church Shop has a large selection of First Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts. Please ask if we do not have what you are looking for and we will try to order it for you. All of our goods are competitively priced and the profits from sales support St. Michael's Parish.

PLANNING TOGETHER FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR NEW PARISH

As a Deanery family we have been invited by Bishop Richard to prepare for the future, when we will become one large parish, and become the New Parish of Worthing, a community of communities. On Tuesday 13 May in our Deanery Meeting at St Romeros, we warmly welcomed Fr Irek Stadler to St Mary's, as our new Moderator, and we began to plan together for the future and to begin to meet together within each of our parish communities. And so **we warmly invite parishioners here at St Michael's to a meeting on Monday 2 June at 7.30pm** to explain how does the future look, and what implications are there for each of our existing parishes within the current Deanery. An opportunity to raise thoughts, ideas, and questions and possible solutions. And the advantages of collaborating with other parishes, and how we can grow in our involvement in the Mission of the Church.

FR PETER

Parishioners may be pleased to know that Fr Peter will be holidaying with Jan and John Gribben for the first two weeks of July. If everything goes to plan Fr Peter should be at St Michael's for Mass on July 5/6 and July 12/13. *Jan and John Gribben, 01903 872249*

BUILDING RESTORATION WORKS - ST MICHAEL'S REROOFING

The final phase of our restoration works started from Tuesday 27 May and will last up to 15 weeks.

- Access to the drive and car park may be restricted at various times throughout the works whilst materials are delivered, skips exchanged, etc.
- Car park capacity will be reduced as the northern end will be a base for the contractors. **You are welcome to park on the field if that is a viable option for you, unless it is very wet**, leaving the car park available for the less able and **avoiding excessive parking on the road**.
- **Pedestrians and drivers** – please comply with signage to ensure everyone's safety.

A sheet with the full information of the **BUILDING RESTORATION WORKS** is available on the website home page and in the link [here](#). This is also where updates, including **short notice alterations to usage or Mass times**, will be posted.

FACES OF RESILIENCE

Sunday 15th June 2-5pm, Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Vermont Drive, East Preston BN16 1JU

Come and see photographs in the hall and listen to a 'Living Book', vividly telling the stories of Ukrainian women fleeing war and seeking refuge in the UK. Join us in prayer in the church at 3pm for refugees, people seeking asylum and peace in our world.

CAFOD EVENT - Save the Date

There will be a CAFOD Fish & Chip and Quiz evening on **Saturday 5 July** from 7.15pm in the Parish Hall with Quiz Master Deacon Mark. Tickets will be on sale from 15 June. Put the date in your diary.

ENGLISH MARTYRS PRIMARY SCHOOL SUMMER FIESTA

Sunday 29 June, 10-3pm

Suitable for all ages. Come and celebrate summer! £10 wristband for unlimited inflatables and rides. BBQ, beer, ice cream, pick n mix, penalty shootout, games and bungee trampolines! Raffle tickets on sale Sunday 15 June after Mass.

BOTTLE TOMBOLA

Planning is already underway for our Parish Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 22 November! Donations of bottles for the tombola stall, (alcoholic or non-alcoholic but unopened!) would be welcomed and can be left in the box provided in the foyer located near the St Michael's fundraising noticeboard. Thank you.

WALK THE AUGUSTINE CAMINO FOR MARY'S MEALS

Monday 1st September – Sunday 8th September 2025

Join us for the whole pilgrimage or walk with us for a day

During this Jubilee Year we would be delighted if you joined us as Pilgrims of Hope on some or all of the Augustine Camino, starting at Rochester Cathedral and finishing at the Shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. The pilgrimage will take us to four of the designated Jubilee churches and shrines in the area: The Friars, Aylesford, St Jude's Shrine, Faversham, St Thomas of Canterbury, Canterbury, St Augustine's Shrine, Ramsgate. To find out more details or to book your place on the pilgrimage, please contact Roy Peachey, the Mary's Meals Supporter Engagement Officer for Kent, Surrey, Sussex and South London, on roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk or 07593 447297.

RETIRING COLLECTION

This weekend the retiring collection is for World Communications Sunday. No retiring collection next weekend.