St Michael's Parish

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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

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20/21 SEPTEMBER 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

| Saturday | No Mass | | No 6pm Mass today |
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| Sunday | 9.30am | Madeleine McGrath RIP | Evangelii Gaudium Day |
| | | | Please join us for coffee after Mass |
| Monday | 9.30am | Kathleen Lyons RIP | |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | Holy Communion Service | St Pius of Pietrelcina, 'Padre Pio' |
| Wednesday | 9.30am | Bill & Angela Kelly-Homer RIP | Our Lady of Walsingham |
| | | | Rosary after 9.30am Mass |
| Thursday | 9.30am | Hugh Potkins RIP | |
| | 10-11am | Adoration | |
| Friday | 9.30am | Private Intention | |
| Saturday | 6.00pm | People of the Parish | St Vincent de Paul, Priest |

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

Please pray for parishioners and loved ones who

are sick: Baby Bengtson-Gear, Walter and Marie Hindle, Olga Kearney, Denis & Jackie Key, 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, 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:

Angela Kelly-Homer, Peter Shelley, Kathleen Lyons, Fr John Ryan, Cathie Moloughney, Nigel Roussell, Liz Parker, Celia Tavender, Nuala Sheerin, Fr Raymond Blake, Mary Hudson, David Jarman, Pat Abbot, Roseanne Milby and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Julie Ann O'Sullivan, Madeleine McGrath, Frank Power, Josephine Holden, Betty Horsfall, Tony Henry, Monica Wood, Stella Dymow, Julia Crouch, Norah Gaffney, Philip Allan, Pat Brannen.

Thank you for your generosity last weekend

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.

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.

FESTIVAL OF HOPE AND THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE – Saturday 20 September

People from across our Diocese will join Bishop Richard for a day of prayer, formation, and mission as our Diocese marks its 60th Anniversary at the South of England Showground Ardingly, in this Jubilee Year of Hope.

NO 6PM VIGIL MASS ON SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

PASTORAL LETTER FOR EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY

This weekend we have a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Richard. A few copies are available in the foyer or can be viewed on our website with our newsletter here.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

Exposition and Benediction next **Sunday 28 September**, 4-5pm.

FR PETER IN KENYA ~ PRAYERS

We continue to keep Fr Peter in our prayers and for the Diocese in Kenya as the Bishop is quite poorly and it is somewhat difficult there at the moment. Fr Peter was promised a Parish and the ministry he loves and in which he is so gifted, but he has been sent back to the Seminary. As we support him with our prayers that he may soon have his appointment ratified and may return to his great service in his parish communities.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC - NEW SEASON

We invite anyone interested in being baptised, received into full communion or confirmed in the Catholic Church to join us on **Wednesday evening 1st October** from 7pm in the Parish Hall for the new 'Becoming a Catholic' Programme from then until Easter time 2026. If you have not already spoken or met with Deacon Mark about this then please contact him by phone or email (see newsletter) or in person after Mass for more information and details of the programme.

BEREAVEMENT CAFE

The next Bereavement Cafe will take place on **Wednesday 8 October** at 3pm in the Parish Hall. It is an opportunity for anyone who has suffered loss to meet with others and chat in an informal setting over a cup of tea and cake. All welcome.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Diocese of A&B is renewing and developing its *Adoration Lay Committee* in order to increase the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes throughout the diocese. You are welcome to attend an Information Evening on **Thursday 2 October** at 8pm for one hour. Registration from 7pm, includes light refreshments, in St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley RH10 6RP. For further detail see poster in foyer. Please let Fr Chris know if you wish to attend.

ST OSCAR ROMERO CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM Goring By Sea, Worthing

You are warmly invited to join us for our Open Evening on **Wednesday 1 October** at 6pm. Open Morning Tours are also available via Eventbrite: https://bit.ly/StRomerosTours2025
October 3rd, 7th, 8th, 9th and 14th, at 9.15am

PARISH SOCIAL – Saturday 18 October

Saturday 18 October we are having a social evening for all the parish from 7.30pm to 10pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets £5 each. Children over 12 welcome. Please feel free to bring your own snacks and drinks. Owing to Health and Safety policy, numbers are limited to 75. Tickets on sale after Masses from next weekend, on a first come first served basis. Music will be provided by our resident DJ, Fr Chris. Richard C and his fellow musicians will play throughout the evening. *Queries to Jo 692866 or Frances 695211*.

HELP WITH COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

It is lovely to have a coffee and chat with each other after Sunday Mass and all are welcome. Volunteers prepare the teas and coffees and we are in need of additional parishioners to join the rota please. If you are able to help, please speak to one of the team, Fr Chris, contact the Parish Office or just sign up on the rota attached to the door alongside the kitchen hatch. You can sign up as a pair or an individual who we can match with another volunteer. Those currently on the rota will be happy to let you know what's involved.

COULD YOU SERVE ST MICHAEL'S ON OUR STEWARDSHIP TEAM?

We are looking for additional members for our Parish Finance Committee, which will become our new *Stewardship Team* when the Parish of Worthing is created. The Team will work on behalf of the St Michael's community and have particular oversight of the finances, buildings and site at St Michael's.

Ideally you may have some experience of finance, fundraising, grants or managing buildings, but most importantly an appreciation of the pastoral needs of our community and role of the building and site in serving those needs. We need practical, flexible people who enjoy working as part of a team. For more information or to arrange an informal chat about what's involved, do contact our Treasurer Neville at pt.worthingstmichael@abdiocese.org.uk

A FAMILY IN URGENT NEED OF A HOME

We've had a request from a family living close to St Michael's who have been renting their current house for nine years. Their property has been left in poor condition without proper repairs despite repeated requests, and this has affected the health of their youngest child which has been linked by the doctors to mould exposure. They have now been served with an eviction notice as their landlord plans to sell the house. They are in urgent need of a safe and secure place to live near St Michael's or nearby and are looking for our support. Would anyone be able to contact the Parish Office if you know of any property which could be rented by this family? Or if anyone is willing to rent directly to a family in great need, do please contact us.

GOLDEN EGG

Our Golden Egg winners for June, July & August are: June £50 – CAFOD, July £50 - Peter J, August £100 - Mary W. Congratulations to our draw winners! Many thanks for all for your continued support. Prize money is £50.00 each month and £100 three times per year. All proceeds help the church funds. We are always looking for new members, if you would like to join the draw, there are forms in the Church foyer with joining instructions, alternatively, please email me at soldenegg.worthingstmichaels@abdiocese.org.uk and I will contact you. God Bless, Katharine R

RETIRING COLLECTION

This weekend the retiring collection is for Evangelii Gaudium Sunday, formerly Home Mission Sunday. Next weekend we welcome Fr Hugh Seenan who will be making an appeal on behalf of the Missionaries of Africa (The White Fathers).