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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6/7 DECEMBER 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	6.00pm	Thomas Cooney RIP (IW)	
Sunday	9.30am	James Fitzgerald RIP (ML)	Please join us for coffee after Mass
Monday	5.00pm	Ron Hopkins RIP	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Morning Mass today, Parish Mass 5pm
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	, ,
Wednesday	9.30am	Sunna Jarman RIP	Rosary after 9.30am Mass
Thursday	9.30am 10-11am	Fr Ted Bell RIP Adoration	
Friday	5.00pm	Ellen O'Hagan RIP	No Morning Mass today, Parish Mass 5pm
Saturday	6.00pm	Christine Kinchin RIP (AC)	St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

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

Please pray for parishioners and loved ones who are sick: David Malandain, Samuel Bezarto, Bob Dines, Yvonne Henwood, Charlie Keevil, Sylvia Petty, Eileen Woodman, Pauline Nickolls, Glenis Attwell, Ve Soanes, Susan Pierce, Joanna J, Brian Pollard, Sandra Smith, Walter and Marie Hindle, Olga Kearney, Denis & Jackie Key, Kerry Thomson, Hilary Kepa, Catherine Beviss, Pat Fitzpatrick, Dave Hall, Chris Romanchek, Alan Roberts, T L Mallillin, Tony Holley, 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: Gloria Saro Gonzalez, Catherine Dawbarn, Betsy Badminton, John Kingsbury, Ellen O'Hagan, Denise Caruana, Benjamin Hibbert, Peter Kuhn, Fr Alan Sharpe, Mike Rymer, Angela Kelly-Homer, Peter Shelley, Kathleen Lyons, Fr John Ryan, Cathie Moloughney, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patricia Penn, Brian Johnson, Nora Hussey, Tony Wright, Ron Rossi, Ron Hopkins, Fr Ted Bell, Harry Ward, Ariyamalar Alagacone, Maureen Parsons, Jane Butterworth, Sunna Jarman, Mary Munnelly.

Thank you for your generosity last weekend Thank you for your generosity to the Parish in November

Offertory (Basket, Digital & Standing Orders): £3,283 General Donations: £542

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 <u>website</u>. 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.

SAFEGUARDING MINISTRY

Just a reminder to us all of our safeguarding ministry and responsibility to our children, our young people and to those who are vulnerable here at St Michael's and within our communities. Our responsibility to value everyone and to support and protect them. Mrs Joanna Malandain is our Safeguarding Representative to help and to support us in this ministry and responsibility.

HEALING SERVICE – after Masses next weekend.

ADVENT SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION - ST MICHAEL'S

On **Sunday 14 December** we warmly invite you to the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at our Advent Service of Reconciliation at 3pm, in preparation for Christmas. See the poster by the water stoop for the dates of other Advent Reconciliation Services being held in our Deanery.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

If your child is in Year 3 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion next year at the 11am Mass on **Sunday 7 June**, please would you email your details to the Parish Office, and we will be in touch when our programme is finalised.

CONFIRMATION 2026

If you are in Year 10 or above and would like to be Confirmed next year on **Sunday 5 July** in Arundel Cathedral, please would you email your details to the Parish Office and we will be in touch, as we begin to prepare the programme for next year.

DEAF COMMUNITY MASSES 2025-6

The Diocesan Deaf Service is a pastoral service for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people across Surrey and Sussex. The Deaf Service aims to create awareness of the existence, and needs, of those who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, both in the Church and in society, encouraging the celebration of Mass and the sacraments on a regular basis, in a style appropriate to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community's needs.

- Deaf Community Mass, Saturday 6 December, St Edward the Confessor, 2 Lodge Lane, Keymer, West Sussex, BN6 8NA. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm, followed by refreshments in the hall afterwards. W: www.stwilfridsbh.com/
- Deaf Community Mass, Saturday 3 January, St John the Evangelist, 3 Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2PJ. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm. W: www.stjohnshorsham.com/
- Deaf Community Masses on 7 February, 7 March, and 4
 April will be celebrated at 1pm at Our Lady of Sorrows,
 Lower Road, Effingham, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT24 5JP. W:
 www.effinghamandfetcham.org.uk/

To find out more about the diocesan Deaf Service, or attending a Deaf Community Mass please contact Maria Booker E:

peterandmaria.booker@abdiocese.org.uk

'OUR IDENTITY IN GOD' - Weds 10 December: 10:00 - 16.00

A study day on our God-designed identity; it's hard to know *who* we are until we know *whose* we are. The day will incorporate a mixture of reflection, worship and fellowship time. The cost for the day is £25, including lunch. To book visit www.dalesdown.org.uk/upcoming-events

Dalesdown Centre, Honeybridge Lane, Dial Post, RH13 8NX. Set in 20 acres of peace-filled Wealden landscape, this *non-denominational* conference centre is just off the A24, close to Old Barn Garden Centre. Phone 01403 710712.

ST MICHAEL'S MEN

The next breakfast meeting of our Group will be held on **Saturday 6 December** gathering in the hall at 8.30 for breakfast at 9.00. All men welcome. For more information contact Deacon Mark.

ST. MICHAEL'S GIVING TREE 2025 Share a Gift with the Homeless this Christmas

Winter, and especially Christmas, is a really difficult time for those who find themselves homeless with nowhere to go. Turning Tides, our local homelessness charity, provides a meal, gifts and festive cheer to the homeless, with the help of volunteers and staff. If you would like to share a gift, please select one of the suggestion tags from the giving tree, or you are welcome to donate a cafe gift card so that the homeless can choose something for themselves. Please do not wrap the gifts. More details can be found beside the tree in the foyer, with a box beneath for your gifts. I will collect donations up to and including Sunday 14th December. Thank you in anticipation of your usual generosity.

CHRISTMAS CARDS AT ST MICHAEL'S

Would you like to think that your Christmas card to your friends at St Michael's could also help people in the developing world? For the fifteenth year the parish CAFOD group would like to invite you to take one of the cards on the CAFOD display stand, sign on the front of and fix it onto the display in the entrance hall between now and Christmas day. Put the money that you would have spent on your cards to parishioners into the jar. The total money raised will be used to buy one (or more) of the CAFOD World Gifts. Look on the display in the entrance to see what your money could help to buy. Last year the parish gave £191 and that was used to buy two sets of emergency water supplies, a cow and a goat. Please, everyone, look at the display each week to see the good wishes of your friends here at St. Michael's. Many thanks, St. Michael's CAFOD group

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Wednesday 24th December:

4.30pm, Shepherds and Angels Mass

11.30pm, Vigil Carols followed by Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th December: 10.00am, Christmas Day Mass **Friday 26th December**: 10.00am, Feast of St Stephen

CHRISTMAS POSTERS

Once again the Knights of St. Columba (KSC) have the pleasure of providing the annual 'Keeping Christ in Christmas' posters. Please take one home and display accordingly. A most Holy and Blessed Christmas to you all.

RETIRING COLLECTION

No retiring collection this weekend or next weekend.

Scan this code to make an Offertory, General or 'second collection' donation to St Michael's

