

# 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*

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**11/12 JANUARY 2025**

### Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	6.00pm	People of Parish	
Sunday	9.30am	Pat Hudson RIP (J&M,N)	<b>The Baptism Of The Lord</b> <i>Please join us for coffee after Mass</i>
Monday	9.30am	Paddy Kearney RIP	
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday	9.30am	Henri Adelaide RIP	
Thursday	9.30am 10-11am 12 noon	No Morning Mass today Adoration Funeral Mass of Henri Adelaide	
Friday	9.30am	Alan King RIP	<b>St Antony, Abbot</b>
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:** Barry Parsons, Pat Fitzpatrick, Dave Hall, Keith Padwick, Denise Caruana, Chris Romanchek, Alan Roberts, Anna Thompson, Mike and Jess Donlevy, C S Reynolds, T L Mallillin, Tony Holley, Jon Webb, Peter T, Deirdre Hussey, Tim & Claire Key, Geoffrey Clark, David Jarman, Brian Johnstone, Sue Dixon, Susan B, Cathy H, Michael Lambe, Antoinette McLaughlin, Robert Gibson, Lucie Elliott, Leslie Sarcoe, Joan Nixon, Seamus Lardner, Peter Goldsworthy, Anne Jewson, Joan Worthington, Mary Wilson, Janet Stephens, Terry Kilgallon.



**For those who have died recently:** Paddy Kearney, Henri Adelaide, Gill Whelan, Leilia Murray, Alan King, Rose DeMello, Carol Shaw, **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** John Cummins, Paul Matthias, Mary Barrie, Michael Brown, Margaret & Jimmy Atkinson, Ted O'Donnell, Desmond Hercules, Philip Gilpin, George & Margaret Scott, Penny Gilbert, Harold Burgess, Derek Hutchings, Peggy Eames, Winnie Morrison, Sylvia Quickfall, John Nixon, Maurice Whelan, David Carr, Julia & Albert Crouch, Joy Ruff.

**Thank you for your generosity last weekend**

Pound a Week: £36

### 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. Thank you.

### PASTORAL LETTER

This weekend, on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we have a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Richard. There are some paper copies in the foyer and a copy is available on our [website](#).

### NEXT WEEKEND – PEACE SUNDAY

Next Sunday, 19 January, is Peace Sunday. Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Peace has been published and his theme is 'Forgive us our trespasses: Grant us your peace'. The message speaks of how we must listen to the 'pleas of an endangered humanity', how the year of Jubilee inspires us to seek the liberating justice of God in our world and how by '*opening our hearts to our brothers and sisters, we will restore God's justice on earth*' and '*move forward to achieve the goal of peace*'.

### 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.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

If your child is in Year 3 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion in 2025, please would you email your details to the Parish Office. The programme begins with a Parents' First Holy Communion Meeting on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January**, at 7.30pm in the Hall. This is followed by the first session for the children on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February** at 10am in the Hall. The full programme can be viewed on our website in the Sacraments/Eucharist section [here](#).

### CONFIRMATION 2025

We warmly welcome our young people wishing to be Confirmed this year in Arundel Cathedral on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May, to the first preparation session here at St Michael's Hall on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February**, 5-6.30pm. The full programme can be viewed on our website in the Sacraments/Confirmation section [here](#).

### DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN

Fr Terry Martin has written a report of the meeting, held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024 with representatives from all parishes within the Worthing Deanery, to explore the future of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan and the new moderated parish. Copies are available in the foyer.

### NEW LECTIONARY

A recording of Deacon Mark's talk on the new translation of the readings titled, 'New Lectionary Information Evening 20.11.24' is available on our YouTube channel [St Michael's Catholic Church Worthing](#) which can be accessed from the Parish Website Homepage. It will be available until the end of January.

### A YEAR OF HOPE: An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? Catholic talk show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more for lively start to the Jubilee. With a special appearance by Catholic band Ooberfuse. **Saturday 18 Jan**, 10:30am-midday, online. All welcome. Register for free at: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/a-year-of-hope-an-introduction-to-the-jubilee-year>.

### DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS OF THE WORD

**Saturday 25 January 11 - 4pm at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Burgess Hill.** Led by Bishop Richard. The day will include talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, and preparing to minister as a reader. There will be a time of Lectio Divina, and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass. The booking link can be found here [Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word \(25-Jan-2025\) - ChurchSuite Events](#)

### RETRouvaille

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long'i') helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work.

This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille', or to register for the next programme commencing via Zoom on ...**27 February to 2 March 2025**

Call or text 0788 7296983

Email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk) [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### NATIONAL BOARD OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (NBCW)

The January 2025 newsletter is on our noticeboard.

### SAVE THE DATE

#### Saturday 20 September 2025 Festival of Hope

Celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Diocese and the Universal Jubilee Year with your family and friends this September. We pray that this inspirational and uplifting event will ignite a spiritual renewal in our own lives and across our communities. Put the date in your diary now, because tickets will be allocated to Parishes in the new year! The event is taking place at Ardingly South of England Event Centre, tickets will be free of charge, with talks and activities suitable for all ages.

### CHURCH CLEANING

Would you be able to volunteer some of your time to help clean our church? We have a small group of volunteers who clean our church fortnightly and who are looking for new volunteers to swell their number. Please contact the Parish Office or Fr Chris if you can help.

### GOLDEN EGG

Our December Golden Egg winner of £100 is A O'Hagan. 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.

It's not too late to join, or to renew for 2025. If you pay by monthly or annual Standing Order you do not need to re-register with us. If you paid by CASH or Cheque for the year, then please contact me to arrange payment for 2025, or you can put an envelope marked 'Golden Egg' in the collection plate with your payment and name. There are some Golden Egg envelopes in the Church Foyer if you need one.

We are always looking for new members, if you would like to join for 2025, there are forms in the Church foyer with joining instructions, alternatively, please email me at [goldenegg.worthingstmichaels@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:goldenegg.worthingstmichaels@abdiocese.org.uk)

### RETIRING COLLECTION

This weekend the retiring collection will be for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) White Flower Appeal. No retiring collection next weekend.