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 PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, CANDLEMAS

1/2 FEBRUARY 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	6.00pm	People of Parish	
Sunday	9.30am	Frances Webber RIP	The Presentation of the Lord, Candlemas Please join us for coffee after Mass
Monday	9.30am	Tessa McCormack RIP	
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday	9.30am	David & Lena Porter RIP	St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Rosary after 9.30am Mass
Thursday	9.30am 10-11am	Tony Birch RIP Adoration	St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs of Japan
Friday	9.30am	Claire Gatley RIP	
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: Catherine Beviss, Barry Parsons, Pat Fitzpatrick, Dave Hall, 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: Frances Webber, Anne Jolly, Paddy Kearney, Henri Adelaide, Gill Whelan, Leilia Murray, Alan King, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frederic Hussey, John Kearney, Kathleen Foley, Katie Bett, Margaret Marshall, Toddy Kent, Michael Smyth, Michael Redding, Espedy Redding, Frank Riney, Thomas Hudson, Ivy Bevan, Anne Hudson, Margaret Kilgallon, Lena Porter, Betty Cunningham, Richard Hall, Elizabeth Iago, Bernard Smalley, Brian Taylor.

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 <u>St Michael's Catholic Church Worthing.</u> 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. 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

The first session for the children is on **Saturday 1st February** at 10am in the Hall, followed by their Mass on **Sunday 2nd February** at 9.30am, as they begin to prepare to make their First Holy Communion on Sunday 22nd June 2025. The next session of preparation will then be on **Saturday 15th February** at 10am in the Hall, followed by 9.30am Mass on **Sunday 16th February**. 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 25th May, to the first preparation session here at St Michael's Hall on **Sunday 9th February**, 5-6.30pm. The full programme can be viewed on our website in the Sacraments/Confirmation section here.

HEALING SERVICE

There will be a Healing Service after Masses next weekend.

BEREAVEMENT CAFE

The next Bereavement Cafe will take place on **Wednesday 5th February** 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.

CAFOD GROUP MEETING

The CAFOD Group is meeting on **Wednesday 12 February** at 2pm to plan the CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) Lent Fast Day and other events. All welcome to join us at 43 Cissbury Gardens, BN14 ODZ. For more information contact Jane Woods on W877801.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025

Applications for this summer's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (25-31 July by air or own transport, 24 July-1 August by coach/jumbulance) are now open on the diocesan website: https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/home

Our pilgrimage to Lourdes is one of the most significant pastoral events in our annual Diocesan calendar. Pope Francis has declared 2025 is a Jubilee year, the Lourdes theme is 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope'. We are invited to set out on our pilgrimage journey with our Lady and St Bernadette, in the 'hope born of grace, which enables us to live in Christ.' (Pope Francis, Spes non Confundit 2025)

YOUNG ADULT JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Join our pilgrimage for young adults aged 18-30 to celebrate the special Jubilee year. Celebrate with other like-minded people, as we travel to the beautiful city of Rome for opportunities to hear from, and pray with, Pope Francis on the theme of Hope. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for information

DIOCESAN YOUTH PROJECT WORKER - PART TIME

Join the diocesan Central Office Team as our new P/T Youth Project Worker. The successful applicant will be responsible for two major projects - coordination of the CYMFed Faith in Action

Awards across the Diocese, and the newly developing Young Adults programme. They will also be required to assist with engaging young people from across the Diocese in the ASCENT process (a three-year discipleship process for young people) and offer support to the Youth Adviser in enabling diocesan attendance at national and international events such as Flame and World Youth Day. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk

DIOCESAN IT TECHNICIAN – FULL TIME

The Diocese is recruiting a full-time IT Technician based at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. The IT Department supports a wide range of stakeholders. As a small team, flexibility around tasks is essential to contribute fully to this busy and often reactive service provision. The successful candidate will have experience of a similar role and a willingness to learn further skills as and when required to expand their IT knowledge.

Due to the nature of the role all hours are worked onsite at our Crawley office, with no scope for hybrid or remote working.

To find out more and apply:

www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/sphc-it

MARRIAGE HELP PROGRAM

January is the highest month for divorce proceedings as many couples want help but don't know where to turn when they have difficulties. Book now on February MARRIAGE HELP program. www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 7887 296 983

INTERESTED IN TRAINING TO TEACH?

Xavier Teach SouthEast are currently recruiting primary and secondary teachers for Sept 2025 to train across their local partnership of schools. So, if you have a degree and are passionate about working with young people, why not attend an event or speak to them today about a possible career change. www.teachsoutheast.co.uk 01932 578 682 or email Joanna Crome to find out more j.crome@xaviercet.org.uk Next event: Thursday 6th February 2025 9.30-11am Salesian school, Chertsey, Guildford Road, KT16 9LU

NEWS FROM FATHER PETER

We were delighted to receive photos from Father Peter this week, showing the church at Maliki and also a number of photos of the Christmas Meal. You will find some of them on display in the Foyer.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 22ND NOVEMBER 2025

Jo Smith has decided after many many years of organising the Christmas Bazaar to step down, but will be in an advisory capacity. She works tirelessly from January to December organising everything, so the bazaar runs smoothly. I have agreed to take over, but I do need a team of organisers, who will take on certain roles. If you feel that you could contribute to being a team organiser please contact me 07393 903838 or email sheilapadwick@gmail.com or put a note in the 'P' pigeon hole in the foyer. We do have a wonderful group of people who run the bazaar on the day, and I know they will back the change over. I do need your help, as of yet, I'm not sure what to do! With Jo at my side and the help of our Lord it should be a smooth transition. Thanking you for your help in coming forward, Sheila.

RETIRING COLLECTION

No retiring collection this weekend. Next weekend the retiring collection is for the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund and is eligible for Gift Aid.