



**The Catholic Community of
Arundel & Storrington
5th Sunday of Lent, Year A
22nd March 2026**



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Life is an important theme in John’s Gospel. He uses the word almost forty times. It’s there at the beginning: “In [the Word] was life, and the life was the light of men.” (1:4) It’s there as the main conclusion of the Gospel: “These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.” (20:31) It’s there in some of Jesus’ loveliest sayings: I am the bread of life (6:35); I am the way, the truth and the life (14:6); I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly (10:10). It’s there at the heart of today’s Gospel: “I am the Resurrection and the Life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.” (11:25-26)

As Catholics we know the value of every human life from conception to natural death. We stand for the culture of life amidst a society which often gives in to a culture of death: abortion and euthanasia. This week we have rejoiced and thanked God that the Scottish Parliament rejected assisted suicide, but are devastated that the House of Lords approved legislation to make it legal for women to perform their own abortions, for any reason whatsoever, at any point up to and during birth—we weep, even as Jesus wept. Even so, will must never give up our hope or our efforts for the culture of life. It is one way we live out Jesus’ commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

God bless, Fr Stephen

Changes to Masses this coming week: Mass on Monday 23rd March will be in the Fitzalan Chapel, Arundel. All are welcome.

Please pray for Mary Kalaher (Storrington) who died last week and Peter Smith (Storrington) who died earlier this week. Also for Reg Tonkin (Storrington) who died last week, his funeral service will take place on Tuesday 7th April at 12 noon in Storrington.

Reconciliation There will be an extended time of confession in the deanery with additional priests available as follows: Tuesday 24th March at St Richard's, Chichester after the 6pm Mass. Confession is also available on request.

Please pray for the children of our parish who will be making their first Reconciliation soon.

Stations of the Cross on Friday 20th March in the Cathedral and Friday 27th March at St Nicholas'. In Storrington this will take place after 10am Mass on a Tuesday.

Silver Sterlings and Sewing Bees next meet THIS Thursday
26th March 10am - 12noon
for general cleaning, polishing and repairs.
Please join us - Tea, Coffee, chats and laughter guaranteed! All welcome.

Gift Aid The tax year will be ending soon and for those using the weekly envelopes these are available to collect at the back of the Cathedral. If you are a taxpayer and have not already joined the parish gift aid scheme please consider doing this now. Your offertory would then go up by 25% at no extra cost to you. The easiest method is to pay by bank standing order but the envelope system is still available at the Cathedral if you would prefer to donate in cash. For those who already donate by standing order, this is a good time to review your level of giving. If you have not done this for some time have you considered the effects of inflation over recent years? Please contact Martin Hall, gift aid organiser for Arundel and Storrington if you would like further information on how to set up gift aid. Email ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk or call the Parish office.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum will be celebrated in the Cathedral for both Arundel and Storrington communities as follows:

Maundy Thursday 2nd April 8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with washing of feet, followed by watching at the Altar of Repose, ending with Compline at 11.50pm. **Sign up for the Watching** on the sheet at the back of the Church/in the porch.

Good Friday 3rd April 3.00pm The Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday 4th April 8.30pm The Solemn Vigil of Easter (first Mass of Easter).

Easter Sunday Morning Masses will take place at 9am in Storrington and 11am in Arundel on Sunday 5th April.

Further details of Prayers, Vespers and Confessions available on the Holy Week leaflet.

The Convent of Poor Clares at Crossbush will be celebrating at the following times:

Maundy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper 6.30pm

Good Friday, Liturgy of the Passion 3pm

Easter Vigil 8.30pm (advise arrival by 8.20pm as commencing in the garden)

Easter Sunday Mass 8.30am.

Chemin Neuf at Storrington Priory will be celebrating at the following times:

Maundy Thursday, Mass at 4.00 pm (including the Washing of the Feet), followed by Adoration until 6.00pm.

Good Friday: Prostration of the Cross at 4.00pm.

Holy Saturday: Mass at 6.00pm.



St Vincent
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Turning Concern into Action

There are SVP Groups in Arundel and Storrington who meet regularly and can offer help and support. If you, or someone you know, would like a friendly visit or help in any way or you would like to know more, please contact the parish office.

Easter Egg Hunt 2026 (Run by Our Lady of England Children's Liturgy Group) After 9.00am Mass in Storrington on Easter Sunday as we continue to celebrate the Risen Lord, enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt with other families in the cloister garden. Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer. All are welcome. Book in by 23rd March at [Storrington Easter Egg Hunt \(05-Apr-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

Advance Notice: Parish Course on Pope Francis's encyclical Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel). This encyclical will be read through and discussed over six Saturday mornings at Our Lady of England, Storrington commencing 18 April. Sessions will be from 10-11.30 am with tea and coffee available. Evangelii Gaudium was a key mission statement of Pope Francis, and Pope Leo declared his intention to follow Francis's programme and specifically this book in his address to cardinals two days after his election. Its importance to parishes is becoming increasingly recognised. Everyone is welcome, if you wish to take part please let Louise in the parish office know so that copies of the book can be ordered.

Marriage Catechists & Ambassadors' Formation Day, Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge, Saturday 18 April 10.30am – 3pm For all those involved in the Marriage Preparation process across the Diocese or anyone who is keen to support and build the understanding of sacramental marriage in their parishes. Join us for a day of sharing, listening and learning from the many teams across the diocese; sharing your experience and ideas from the important work you are doing. We will also be discussing ways of engaging, educating and raising the understanding of a sacramental marriage with the young adults of our parishes. Please bring a packed lunch. To register, go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: [Events | Our Diocese](#) If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

'Beloved' Art Exhibition - 23rd - 27th March at The Parish Centre, Hislop Walk, Bognor Regis. Bringing suicide and addiction deaths into the light, an exhibition of paintings of love and hope by Bognor artist Antonia Rolls. The paintings bring consolation and light into places where we think there is none. Opens Monday 23rd March 6pm to 8pm, and daily Tuesday 24th March to Friday 27th March 1pm to 6pm. Entrance is free, all are welcome. If you would like to find out more about Antonia's work, please visit [Antonia Rolls, Artist Extraordinaire](#)

East Sussex Community Choir FREE concert Saturday 18 April at 3pm to 4pm in Arundel Cathedral. Mozart Requiem (excerpts); choral pieces by Fauré, Purcell and others. Come and enjoy an hour of glorious music from this 60-strong Lewes-based choir. Everyone welcome.

Marriage Support: If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues – Retrouvaille could be the solution. [Retrouvaille | A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages](#) [+44 797 338 0443](tel:+447973380443)

Wintershall Events: The Passion of Jesus in Trafalgar Square on 3rd April.

The Life of Christ at the Wintershall Estate from 16-20 June. They will need 3 or 4 babies to play baby Jesus. To take part, babies will need to be between 6 and 9 months old, please e-mail: admin@wintershall.org.uk if you can help.

More information about all events at [Wintershall - Experience award-winning and epic productions](#)

Hospital or housebound? If you, or a member of your family, or a friend is unable to come to Mass for any length of time, due to illness or infirmity, please do contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged. If someone is in hospital or a care home, please let the Parish Office know where and ideally which ward. The sooner we are aware of people in the need the better.

Grandparents' Formation day – Thursday 23 April 10-4pm at St John the Evangelist parish hall, Horsham Join us for what promises to be a wonderful, engaging and affirming day with guest speaker, David Wells. You will be able to listen to the inspirational experience of David Wells as evangelist, father and grandfather. A chance to meet with people from across the grandparent network of the diocese and those who are keen to bring the faith to the next generation. More details on David's talks on our faith at W: [Unleash the power within yourself | David Wells Live](#) To register, go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: [Events | Our Diocese](#) If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

HOLY MASS & OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK		Prayers For The Sick
Saturday 21st Cathedral 5.00pm	5th Sunday of Lent - Year A People of the Parish	Your prayers are asked for all who are unwell at this time, those at home, in hospital, hospices and in care homes.
Sunday 22nd Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am Storrington 4.00pm	Thomas, Agnes & Mary Drummond RIP Gérard Felix RIP Vespers and Benediction	Sacrament of the Sick Please contact Fr Stephen Tel 01903 882297 Other local parishes: Petworth: 01798 342169 Bognor: 01243 823619 Chichester 01243 782343
Monday 23rd Fitzalan Chapel 10.00am	Minna, Duchess of Norfolk RIP	 Requiem in Aeternum Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.
Tuesday 24th Storrington 10.00am 10.40am	People of the Parish Stations of the Cross	Coffee & Tea After 9.00am Mass at Storrington After 11.00am Mass at Arundel
Wednesday 25th Cathedral 10.00am	Ron and Mary Turner RIP	Liturgy of the Word with Children Takes place weekly at 9am Mass in Storrington. At Arundel this will take place at 5.00pm Mass twice a month as follows: March 21st; April 11th & 25th
Thursday 26th Storrington 10.00am Storrington 10.30am	Shanti De Zoysa RIP Confessions and Adoration to 11.30am	Music at Mass  9.00am Mass Music Group at Storrington—all welcome to rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in the church.
Friday 27th Cathedral 9.15am Cathedral 10.00am	Adoration Glenys Margarita Strudwick RIP	Rosary Wednesdays 7.00pm - Storrington Mondays after 10am Mass - Arundel First Saturday of the month 9.15am - Arundel
Saturday 28th Cathedral 10.00am Cathedral 10.30am Cathedral 5.00pm	Joyce Thatcher RIP Confessions and Adoration to 11am Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord People of the Parish	Finance If you have any questions about setting up standing orders or Gift Aid, please contact Martin Hall on ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk Martin can help with queries in both Arundel & Storrington.
Sunday 22nd Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	People of the Parish Celebrant's Intention	
Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington Mon - Frid: Adoration 6pm-6:30pm in Church Mon, Wed & Fri Mass (Maronite) 9.00am in the Church Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm Prayer Group		
Masses at the Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush Monday - Saturday: 8.30am; Sunday: 6.00pm		

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