

# The Catholic Community of Arundel & Storrington

## Pentecost

### 24th May 2026



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We celebrate today the feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, launching their mission in the world. This feast is therefore also the “birthday” of the Church. But it’s all too easy for us to think of the Church as “something” separate from the work of Christ and the Spirit—almost just as Jesus’ fan club—an optional extra for people who happen to like churchy things.

A number of years ago, the Jesuit Avery Dulles wrote a book called *Models of the Church*, in which he explored several ways of thinking about the Church. In particular he considered it as **Institution**—not just a vague idea, but a real society made up of real people, you and me; as **Mystical Communion**—focusing on our spiritual relationships with God and with one another; as **Sacrament**—not an “eighth sacrament” but, like the seven sacraments, being a sign of Christ that really makes Him powerfully present in the world, so the Church is the Mystical Body of Christ; as **Herald**—proclaiming the Good News throughout all creation; and as **Servant**—called to continue Jesus’ ministry to the poor, sick and marginalised.

The point is not that we have to choose one of these models and let the others go. Quite the opposite: they are all true; they are all vital; they all show facets of the work of the Holy Spirit in and through each one of us. What in particular do you think the Holy Spirit wants to do in you?

*God bless, Fr Stephen*

**Changes to Masses this coming week:** On Wednesday the Requiem Mass for Jo Briscoe will be at 11.00am, replacing the 10am Mass. Her body will be received on Tuesday at 4.30pm. On Thursday Mass is in the Cathedral (not Storrington) and is a celebration of all priests in the diocese who are marking a Jubilee year —all are welcome. On Friday 10am Mass will be in Storrington due to the Funeral Service of Michael Sefi at 11am in the Cathedral. Please pray for those who have died and for their families.

**Second Collection this Sunday** is for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese, this collection can be Gift Aided, is available on the donation devices or by scanning the QR code alongside this item, and will go to the Diocese of Chulucanas in Peru.



**This Sunday is Pentecost** at the Saturday evening 5pm Mass we will celebrate the Vigil of Pentecost with additional readings as well as the vigil readings. All are welcome. Mass will be a little longer than usual.

**Mass for Jubilarian Priests of the Diocese, Thursday 28 May at noon at Arundel Cathedral** All are welcome to join the priests of our Diocese who are celebrating 25, 40, 50 and 60 years of priestly ordination, to give thanks for their years of service at this special Mass in Arundel Cathedral.

**Are you interested in becoming a Catholic**, or just exploring what this entails? If so, please speak to Fr Stephen, Deacon Roger or e-mail the parish office. We have begun our “**Explorers Group**” again, running roughly once a month on Tuesday evenings in the Cathedral Centre at 7.30pm. We will be offering refreshments and conversation about our search for God in our lives in a friendly, open atmosphere, with no pressure, and all opinions and ideas welcome. No commitment is required to begin this - only a desire to discover a little more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. Dates for the forthcoming meetings are: **9 June, and 7 July**. We very much look forward to seeing you then. Why not invite a friend?

**Corpus Christi** —The Carpet of Flowers will be laid week commencing 1st June and open to the public on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th, with Mass at 5.30pm on 4th June followed by the procession to the Castle for Benediction and back to the Cathedral (weather permitting!). Here are some of the ways in which you can help:

**Stewarding** Thank you for all the offers, you will hear from us with a rota this coming week.

**Heavy lifting!** The flower team need help with lifting and moving buckets of flowers etc on: Sat 30<sup>th</sup> May - morning, Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – afternoon and most of the day on Monday and Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> June – can you offer a bit of time for this?

Contact [arundel@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:arundel@abdiocese.org.uk) or call 01903 882297 letting us know what days/times you might be able to offer. Thanks so much.

**Cakes** Can you bake a cake for the Corpus Christi refreshments at the Cathedral Centre? We always need more bakers. Cakes can be brought to the Cathedral Centre from Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. If you are making anything gluten free, please label it. You can contact Adam Vernon direct on [adam.vg@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:adam.vg@hotmail.co.uk) (**Storrington** cake makers can leave cakes in the porch on Tuesday 2nd June for collection—see Louise)

**Refreshments at the Centre** Can you help over the two days with: preparing sandwiches and serving customers with tea, coffee and cakes etc. Ideally offers of morning (9am – 1pm) or afternoon (1pm to 5pm) are helpful, but a couple of hours here and there are welcome. You can contact Adam Vernon direct on [adam.vg@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:adam.vg@hotmail.co.uk)

**Corpus Christi Prayer Ministry** - We are hoping to have a rota of people who can pray for an hour in the Blessed Sacrament chapel throughout Wed 3 and Thu 4 June, praying for the success of the celebrations, for all those who attend, and for those involved in preparing the celebrations. If you would like to help, please contact Antonia Moffat at [antonia4161@gmail.com](mailto:antonia4161@gmail.com) or by text to 07795 192750. Thank you.



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.

**Tuesday Drop In** Next meeting: **Wed 3rd June at 3pm**, in the Cathedral Centre. All welcome for tea/ coffee, friendly chat. Lifts available, please contact Maria on 07413 267267.

**Arundel Cathedral Choir** will be singing Mass at 6pm on Saturday 30 May at Westminster Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

**May Procession & Prayer for Our Lady Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 4.00pm Storrington** Come and celebrate the month of Our Lady with prayers at the shrine of Our Lady of England then a procession to the church for Evening Prayer and Benediction, followed by refreshments in the hall. All are welcome. *(Ensure you have appropriate footwear as the ground around the shrine is uneven.)*

**Friends of Arundel Cathedral Summer Celebration** Vespers at Arundel Cathedral (free) followed by drinks, canapes and a garden tour in the Collector Earl's Garden, Arundel Castle. Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm. Tickets for the garden £25 for members £30 for non members. E-mail [aruncathfriends@btconnect.com](mailto:aruncathfriends@btconnect.com) for tickets. Please be aware there are uneven surfaces and pathways in the garden.

**Grandparents Pilgrimage, The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead, Wednesday 17 June 11am – 3pm** A day of sharing and prayer with other Grandparents with Mass, Benediction, Rosary, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat. Please bring a packed lunch. To register: [Grandparents' Pilgrimage to West Grinstead \(17-Jun-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) . If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: [simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk)



**Men's Breakfast Gatherings** We are excited to launch a new, monthly Men's Breakfast Gathering at Arundel Cathedral Centre. The idea is to create a relaxed environment which provides an opportunity for us to grow in our faith by getting to know others better and building friendships. There is no agenda and no pressure but men 18 years+ will be very welcome to come along. Join us for our inaugural meeting on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> July at 8.30am. Bring a friend! If you would like to be involved in the preparation of the food and drink, contact Deacon Roger Stone: [roger.stone@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:roger.stone@abdiocese.org.uk) See the posters for more details.

**Storrington Social:** After a successful BBQ last September we'd like to build a team of people interested in planning social events in the parish. Can you help? Talk to Kerry Johnston after Mass on 24<sup>th</sup> May or e-mail the parish office who will pass your details to Kerry.

**All young adults** aged 18–30 are warmly invited to join on Sunday 31st May at 5:30pm at St Richard's, Chichester, for the next Young Adults Mass as we celebrate the end of the academic year. This will be followed by a meal together. New faces are very welcome, including those who don't regularly attend St Richard's. We've been delighted to welcome regulars from Bognor and Portsmouth this year.

**Day for Life Sunday 21 June** with the theme of the humanity of unborn children and compassion for parents who lose a child before or shortly after birth. We will hold a time prayer at the Memorial to Children Lost before Birth in the Cathedral cemetery on this day at **4pm**. The Bishops' Conference have provided resources and encourage us to pray a Novena for Life from 23 to 31 May see <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/novena-for-life/>

Arundel and Storrington Offertory Summary			
	March 2026	April 2026	Special Collection in March & April
Standing Orders (Gift Aid)	£6,658	£6,325	CAFOD Lent £1,429
Envelopes and card transactions (Gift Aid)	£1,389	£883.00	HCPT Group 154 £839
Cash	£2,162	£1,546	Holy Places £879
<b>Total</b>	<b>£10,209</b>	<b>£8,754</b>	Education of Future Priests £746
Monthly Offertory Budget	£9,500	£9,500	Thank you all for your continuing generosity.

<b>HOLY MASS &amp; OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK</b>		<b>Prayers For The Sick</b>
<b>Saturday 23rd</b> Cathedral 5.00pm	<b>Pentecost</b> Pam James RIP	Your prayers are asked for all who are unwell at this time, those at home, in hospital, hospices and in care homes.
<b>Sunday 24th</b> Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Peter & Theresa Jones and John & Georgina Hills 50th Wedding People of the Parish	<b>Sacrament of the Sick</b> Please contact Fr Stephen Tel 01903 882297 Other local parishes: Petworth: 01798 342169 Bognor: 01243 823619
<b>Monday 25th</b> Cathedral 10.00am	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church</b> Gavin Delaney RIP	 <b>Requiem in Aeternum</b> Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently.
<b>Tuesday 26th</b> Storrington 10.00am	<b>St Philip Neri, Priest</b> Paul Wright RIP	
<b>Wednesday 27th</b> Cathedral <b>11.00am</b>	<b>St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop</b> Requiem Mass for Jo Briscoe RIP	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea</b> After 9.00am Mass at Storrington After 11.00am Mass at Arundel
<b>Thursday 28th</b> <b>Cathedral 12 noon</b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</b> Diocesan Jubilarians Mass	<b>Liturgy of the Word with Children</b> Every week at 9am Mass in Storrington . At Arundel this will take place at <b>5.00pm</b> <b>Mass</b> twice a month as follows: 30 <sup>th</sup> May, 6th & 20th June.
<b>Friday 29th</b> <b>Storrington 10.00am</b> <b>Storrington 10.30am</b> <b>Cathedral 11.00am</b>	People of the Parish Confessions and Adoration to 11.30am Funeral Service for Michael Sefi RIP	 <b>Music at Mass</b> 9.00am Mass Music Group at Storrington—all welcome to rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm in the church.
<b>Saturday 30th</b> Cathedral 10.00am Cathedral 10.30am Cathedral 5.00pm	<b>Our Lady on Saturday</b> Holy Souls Confessions and Adoration <b>The Most Holy Trinity</b> Paula Starkey RIP	
<b>Sunday 31st</b> Storrington 9.00am Cathedral 11.00am	Kathleen Cole RIP & Rosemary Williams RIP People of the Parish	<b>Rosary</b> Wednesdays 7.00pm - Storrington Mondays after 10am Mass - Arundel First Saturday of the month 9.15am - Arundel
<b>Chemin Neuf at Our Lady of England, Storrington</b> 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 01903 742150 <a href="mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org">storrington@chemin-neuf.org</a>		<b>Finance</b> If you have any questions about setting up standing orders or Gift Aid, please contact Martin Hall on <a href="mailto:ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk">ga.arundel@abdiocese.org.uk</a> Martin can help with queries in both Arundel & Storrington.
<b>Masses at the Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush</b> Monday - Saturday: 8.30am; Sunday: 6.00pm		

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