



# In Touch

Journeying Together:

Collaboration

Co-operation

Co-Responsibility

Tenth Sunday in OT (year B)  
8<sup>th</sup>/ 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
No. 1386

Dear Parishioners

I hope that you and your families are well. I send you all my prayers.

In recent days the Bishops Conference of England and Wales has issued a major document concerning the control of armaments. It is entitled ***Called to be Peacemakers - A Catholic approach to arms control and disarmament.*** It builds on the long tradition of Catholic Social Teaching which urges us all to work for peace and cooperation in place of conflict. The Bishops begin with a quotation from Pope John Paul II, at his visit to Coventry : *The voices of Christians join with others in urging the leaders of the world to abandon confrontation and to turn their backs on policies which require nations to spend vast sums of money on weapons of mass destruction.* They continue to give the warning of the UN General Secretary, stating that the issue is now more urgent than ever : *Humanity now confronts a new arms race. Nuclear weapons are being used as tools of coercion. Weapons systems are being upgraded, and placed at the centre of national security strategies, making these devices of death faster, more accurate and stealthier. All this, at a moment when division and mistrust are pulling countries and regions apart.* They list the reasons why we must all become involved in rejecting this : *Public funds spent on weaponry, including by our own country, could be better used to promote the common good of humanity.*

*Weapons are fuelling conflicts across the globe with catastrophic consequences for the most vulnerable people, some of whom seek sanctuary in our communities.*

*Wars are inflicting damage to ecosystems around the world and increasing carbon emissions, with devastating implications for our common home.*

*Arms races are fomenting a breakdown of relations among the international community, making cooperation on a wide range of issues more difficult with repercussions for our own futures.*

*Above all, every human life lost to violence and conflict is a tragedy for our universal family. In Fratelli Tutti Pope Francis encourages us to recognise all people as our sisters and brothers, wherever they are in the world. We cannot, therefore, ever ignore the devastating use of modern weapons beyond our own borders.*

Please see the full document : [Called to be peacemakers](#)

Pope Francis asks for “a better kind of politics, one truly at the service of the common good”. May the Lord help each one of us to play our part to bring this to fruition.

I send my prayers and best wishes to you all. Fr Paul

## Prayers

Please pray for Veronica Adnitt and Norbert and Severina D'Souza.

Please continue to pray for our parishioners John and Sue Rutherford, Demelza Waring, Liz Hicklin, Teresa Tierney, Pamela Bagwell, Helen Sweetman, Jill Carter, Laura Rawlinson, Peter and Antee Greene, Fred Green and Hugh Hurdman.

### **Pope Francis' prayer for Peace**

*“Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love,  
you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters.  
Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance  
we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation.  
In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words ‘division’, ‘hatred’ and ‘war’  
be banished from the heart of every man and woman.  
Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands.  
Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together  
will be ‘brother’, and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.”*  
(P Francis)

### **A prayer for Christians preparing for the General Election**

*Mary, model of encounter, you heard God's call.  
Teach us to listen deeply in our polarised world.  
Mary, woman of courage, you sang joyfully of God's justice.  
Inspire us to challenge inequality and call for fulness of life for all.  
Mary, seeker of sanctuary, you fled violence and persecution.  
Be with us as we seek peace and respect for human dignity.  
Mary, mother of community, you joined the disciples at Pentecost.  
Pray that the Spirit will empower us as we act together for the common good.  
Amen.*

### **In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year “Pilgrims of Hope”, 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis.**

*“Prayer unites us; it makes us brothers and sisters.  
It is in prayer that our hearts find the strength not to be cold and insensitive in the face of injustice.  
In prayer, God keeps calling us, opening our hearts to charity.” (Pope Francis)*

*God of peace may your kingdom come. May fear strike no longer, let pain fade away, may earthly power be challenged, when it plunders the poor, and tramples on hope.*

*God of peace may your kingdom come. Help us put away the weapons of war, help us destroy the tools of destruction, let earthly power be challenged, when it plunders the poor, and tramples on hope.*

*God of peace may your kingdom come. Teach us to follow the ways of justice, teach us to walk the paths of truth, let integrity challenge the power that plunders, when it tramples the poor and pours scorn on our hope.*

*God of peace may your kingdom come. Bring peace sweet as honey, bring peace like a shield, and may we be the challenge to earthly power that plunders and tramples on hope.*

*God of peace may your kingdom come.  
Amen.  
(Linda Jones/CAFOD)*

### **Please pray for the people of Israel and Palestine and of Russia and Ukraine**

*God of peace, who are peace itself,  
and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor a violent mind receive,  
grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good.  
and that those in conflict may forget evil and so be healed.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen  
(Prayer: Roman Missal, p.1361)*

## Anniversaries

**Please pray for the Souls of –** Hugh Pointer, Lynne Hedgecock, Betty Clegg, John Paris, Bernadette Marchant, Pauline Godfrey, Beryl Paris, Daniel McNaboe and Doris Moody.  
**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.**

### Daily Readings

Monday – 1 Kgs 17:1-6 Matt 5:1-12

Tuesday – Acts 11:21b-26, 13:1-3 Matt 5:13-16 (**St Barnabas**)

Wednesday – 1 Kgs 18:20-39 Matt 5:17-19

Thursday – 1 Kgs 18:41-46 Matt 5:20-26 (**St Anthony of Padua**)

Friday – 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16 Matt 5:27-32

Saturday – 1 Kgs 19:19-21 Matt 5:33-37

### Next Sunday's Readings: **Eleventh Sunday in OT (Year B)**

1st Reading – Ezekiel 17:22-24 2nd Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

**Gospel:** Mark 4:26-34

**The Kingdom of God is a mustard seed growing into the biggest shrub of all**

### *Parish Events*

#### Dates for your Diary



**This Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> June** – Parish Brunch in Compass House after mass.

**Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> June** - A morning of study and prayer for all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. (see below)

**Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> June** – After mass in the Unity Room. A talk to mark Refugee Week given by Anna Pincus who for many years has been working on behalf of immigration detainees at the centres near Gatwick airport. Please come and find out about everything which is happening on our doorstep and ask all the questions which you have wanted to ask about immigration. (see box below)

**Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June** – The Family Catechesis groups continue in Compass House and the Unity room after mass. **(Please note new date moved from 16<sup>th</sup> due to the London – Brighton bike ride).**

**Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Parish picnic, after mass.

**Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> September** - This year the Catechists' Day will be held again at Worth Abbey & School. This year we are inviting Catechists and those involved in Children's Liturgy and all forms of adult formation. The theme will be in response to the Pastoral Plan: Call to Mission - are we Equipped for Mission? More details in the summer.

### Mark and Charlie's House Group Gathering

A very informal house group gathering in Balcombe on the last Friday of each month.

All Worth parishioners are very welcome to come, socialise, relax, have a drink and some snacks and get to know your community better. Please contact Charlie Tibble [c.tibble@stwilfrids.com](mailto:c.tibble@stwilfrids.com)

Next Date: **Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm.**

### Refugee Week Talk – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 11 am in the Unity Room

Worth Abbey Parish has invited Anna Pincus, Director of the local charity Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group (GDWG), to come and talk to us about the current state of immigration detention in the UK. GDWG supports people held in immigration detention at the two local Immigration Removal Centres – Brook House and Tinsley House. These are just up the road on the perimeter of Gatwick Airport. GDWG's volunteer visitors are there to befriend and listen to the experiences of those detained. Anna's talk will give a valuable insight into the lives of those who have fled their home countries seeking sanctuary in the UK.

### **A Day of study and prayer for all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**

On **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June**, the day will begin with mass at 9 am, and then continue in the Unity Room with coffee and times for lectio, study and prayer. The day will end with the short midday prayer at 1 pm.

All EMs are requested by the Church to have this time of prayer and formation each year, and anyone else who would like to attend will be most welcome.

### **Grandparents Newsletter**

Our Marriage and Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin, has worked with a range of contributors to create a fantastic brand-new newsletter aimed at diocesan grandparents. Writing in the very first issue, Katherine says:

"Hello grandparents, our aim is to uplift your spirits and keep you in touch with all the wonderful things that happen in the Diocese. This newsletter aims to serve as a beacon of support, offering articles, reflections, and shared experiences to enrich your grandparenting adventure. May it be a source of inspiration and encouragement, reminding you of the meaningful role you play in the lives of your grandchildren and the broader community."

A copy of *Grand News* has been emailed to diocesan parish communities and is also available to read on our website [here](#). To find out more about the work of our Marriage and Family Life team, [click here](#).

### **Looking forward to the imminent General Election CAFOD and SVP write:**

SVP and CAFOD working together in the run up to the General Election

"As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see [cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://cafod.org.uk/encounter) or [svp.org.uk/encounter](http://svp.org.uk/encounter) for more information".

The Bishops' Conference website contains information about the issues important to Catholics as we move towards the election. Please look at the webpage which can be found [Here](#)

### **Monks in the City - Season 3**

#### **Pray with us - The Divine Office at St John the Baptist's Church, Brighton**

Lauds (morning prayer) - Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat at 9am

Vespers (evening prayer) - Mon, Tue, Wed at 6pm

Special Vespers:

Nativity of St John the Baptist - **Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm**

#### **Midday Stillness (until 19<sup>th</sup> July)**

**Every Friday, noon - 1pm.** An hour of music, prayer and reflection in St John the Baptist's Church.

#### **Saturday Sanctuary**

**22<sup>nd</sup> June from 10.10am - 12.15pm.** A morning of fellowship, reflection, prayer and silence at Fitzherbert Community Hub.

#### **Monk Talks**

Join the monks for **Evening Prayer at 6pm** in the church, **followed by soup & bread supper at 6.30pm** in the Fitzherbert Community Hub with a **talk at 7pm.**

**11<sup>th</sup> June** - "Growing in the Freedom of Obedience"

**St John the Baptist's, 2 Bristol Road, Kemptown, Brighton, BN2 1AP - 07444 802368**

### **Aid to the Church in Need**

Aid to the Church in Need supports persecuted Christians in over 140 countries around the world and is currently involved in 5,000 projects.

ACN work directly with bishops, priests and religious sisters and brothers to make sure that any aid goes directly to those that it is intended for. Many of these religious members, risk their own lives every day to provide help and spiritual support to our suffering brothers and sisters.

Your kind prayers and support would be greatly appreciated. <https://acnuk.org/get-involved/donate/>

**Our chair of the Finance Committee. Giles Horner, writes:**

**2023 financial report**

Overall, the parish managed to retain a surplus of £4,398 in 2023. This was mainly due to an increase in offertory, which included several one-off donations, and was £7,154 higher than 2022. Other income and Traidcraft and events were at similar levels as in 2022. The Finance Committee is very grateful for parishioners' generous offertory support and are pleased to see a continual steady move towards standing orders as the form of giving offertory, as it brings greater clarity on forecasting of our income.

On the cost side, there were inflationary increases in staff and administrative costs as well as other running, maintenance, and utility costs which totalled £2,135 higher than in 2022. These higher costs were offset by a lower fee levied by the Diocese in 2023 and slightly lower liturgy, Traidcraft and event costs.

During 2024, we expect further inflationary increases in costs and higher Diocesan fees. We are also expecting to receive some funds from the sale of St Dunstan's.

<b>WORTH ABBEY PARISH</b>				
<b>General Account for year ending 31 December 2023</b>				
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	
	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Actual YTD</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	
Offertory General	24,189	25,534	20,069	- 1,345
Offertory Standing Orders	71,078	62,579	63,255	8,499
Tax Rebates	18,298	20,437	17,416	- 2,139
Other Incomes	2,578	2,602	2,575	- 24
Traidcraft/Event	2,338	2,197	729	141
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>118,481</b>	<b>113,349</b>	<b>104,043</b>	
Staff and administrative	22,798	22,021	16,093	777
Worth Abbey costs	44,238	44,238	41,912	- 0
Other running costs, repairs & maintenance, utilities	8,324	6,967	8,828	1,357
Liturgy Church General	7,665	7,767	6,492	- 102
Traidcraft/event	1,886	2,207	804	- 321
Diocesan Levies	29,172	29,796	25,073	- 624
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>114,083</b>	<b>112,996</b>	<b>99,202</b>	
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>4,398</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>4,841</b>	
<b>Mission support Running Well/Irundu - net income/(expense)</b>	<b>(3,890)</b>	<b>2,179</b>	<b>(2,201)</b>	

*We thank the members of the Finance Committee for their work on our behalf.*

*And we thank you all, for your generous support of our parish.*

**Our Liturgy and Music Adviser, Catherine Christmas, is producing a monthly "Scripture for Reflection and Intentions for Prayer" booklet** for people across our community of faith. Catherine writes: "There is nothing 'ordinary' or commonplace about Ordinary Time! It is so called because this is the ordered time – outside the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter – when Sundays are counted (using ordinal numbers) ... In this season we are encouraged to grow and mature in daily expression of our faith. This is a time to deepen our prayer life, to read and reflect on the Scriptures, and to unite ourselves more deeply with the Lord in the Eucharist." [Click Here](#) to read this month's resource and find out more.

#### **Message from CAFOD**

Thank you, all parishioners, at Worth Abbey for your generous support for CAFOD this year, with your total donations reaching £648.68 so far. We hugely appreciate your donations; you are supporting local experts like Dr Nasha to reach people with vital help.

Dr Nasha asked me to share this message with you. "We are incredibly grateful to you for thinking of us and helping. It's so heart-warming to know we have friends who are there for us when we need it most!".

By supporting families like Meera's, struck by climate disasters, you are putting into action Pope Francis' renewed call, to care for our common home.

Thanks to your generosity and prayers, families facing the toughest challenges – such as floods, conflict and economic turmoil – will receive the practical support they need to rebuild their lives and pursue their hopes for the future.

#### **New appeal from GDWG**

Informal (young) men's. Do you have any men's clothing - all sizes - for our clothing store? We'd appreciate donations very much. our shelves are bare and the need does not abate. If you have any clothes you can donate, please drop them off at the Parish Office.

Thank you.

#### **Church Closure**

From

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

the church will be closed for necessary Maintenance.

We expect the Unity Room will be available.

We will keep you updated.

Would anyone be able to join a group in your home area who could watch out for anyone who may not be able to attend mass for any reason?

We hope it will help to keep an open door to the parish for those who cannot be physically present, either by taking Holy Communion into their home or by simply making a social visit. Do please get in touch if you can help. Thank you very much.

**Please note that on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> the London to Brighton Bike Ride passes through Turners Hill. The Crawley Down/Ardingly road is closed to traffic during the morning and the crossroads at Turners Hill is closed. Those who are affected might like to come to the Saturday mass instead of Sunday, at 5 pm.**



## **Worth Pro Earth – A Call to Action**

### **Gatwick Airport**

Mid Sussex District Council have opposed the planned expansion of the airport and there are hundreds of objections to the proposal to massively increase the number of flights. The CAGNE (Campaign against Gatwick Noise and Emissions) website will tell you all you need to know about this hotly disputed subject – <https://cagne.org/>

### **Balcombe – oil exploration by Angus Energy**

The leave to appeal has been granted – Updates coming soon.

<https://frackfreebalcombe.org.uk/>

### **Repair Cafes**

Repair cafes aim to reduce waste by encouraging a repair culture in the community. A repair can save time, money and waste. Find out more details at your local repair café -

Lindfield repair cafe is open on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June**, at the United Reformed Church, 52 High Street, Lindfield, West Sussex RH16 2HL, visit their website for more details [Lindfield Repair Cafe](#)

Forest Row repair cafe is open on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June** at the Forest Row Community Centre, Hartfield Road, Forest Row, RH18 5DZ, visit their website [Forest Row Repair Cafe](#) for more details.

Horsham repair cafe is open on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June** at the United Reform Church, 45 Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 1PT, visit their website for more details [Horsham Repair Cafe](#)

### **World Refill Day**

16<sup>th</sup> June is World Refill Day which is a global campaign to prevent plastic pollution and help people live with less waste. A day of action uniting our global community every year on 16<sup>th</sup> June, the campaign is designed to create an alternative vision of the future and accelerate the transition away from single-use plastic towards refill & reuse systems.

#### **Why we need a refill revolution**

Our throwaway culture is polluting our planet and we need to turn off the tap when it comes to single-use plastic. Globally we use millions of tonnes every year and it's becoming clear that we can't recycle our way out of our plastic problem. Plastic is not only polluting our planet, impacting communities around the world and contributing to the climate crisis, but it's making its way into our bodies through the air that we breathe and the food we eat.

We urgently need to shift from our disposable, single-use culture to a more sustainable, circular future, with reuse & refill at the centre.

We create more than 300 million tonnes of plastic every year, half of this is single use.

Globally, less than 2% of packaging is reusable.

Less than 10% of the plastic we use has ever been recycled.

Anyone can download the free Refill app to tap into a global network of places to reduce, reuse and refill. From a coffee on your commute, to drinking water on the go, or even shopping with less plastic.

Refill puts the power to go packaging free at your fingertips.

- Free water refills - More than 274,000 Refill Stations offering water Refills globally.
- Coffee on the move - find places offering discounts and rewards for bringing your own cup.
  - Lunch on the go! Find places you take your own lunchboxes to get your food to go.
- Plastic-free Shopping - reduce pointless packaging when shopping, use the app to find refills.
- Returnable packaging - Explore ways to borrow, return and reuse through the Refill App.

To find out more visit <https://www.refill.org.uk/world-refill-day/>

WPE Welcome new members. We meet once a month on a Wednesday at 2pm in St Benedict's. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, **10<sup>th</sup> July** at 2pm. Please get in touch if you would like to attend.

*Creator God, we thank you for the wondrous gifts of creation. Inspire us to take only what we need, so that your people may benefit equally from the gifts you give us all. Amen*



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## WORTH ABBEY RETREAT CENTRE

**“All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed  
as Christ for he himself will say:  
*I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*”**

**Rule of St Benedict 53:1**

Set in 500 acres of stunning West Sussex countryside,  
Worth Abbey offers the opportunity to rest, refresh and reflect.  
Staying in our purpose-built retreat house you will receive a warm welcome,  
good food and comfortable accommodation.

Guests are welcome, from all faiths and none, who seek a closer relationship  
with God within the setting of a Catholic monastic community.

Our retreat programme is a mix of residential and day retreats with  
space for groups to run their own retreat.

For further information contact Worth Abbey Retreat Centre  
E: [retreats@worth.org.uk](mailto:retreats@worth.org.uk) T: 01342 710318 W: [www.worth.co.uk](http://www.worth.co.uk)  
Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill, West Sussex RH10 4SB.



### RESIDENTIAL RETREATS

#### **FINDING STILLNESS:**

10th-12th May 2024  
20th-23rd May 2024  
2nd-5th September 2024

#### **TIME OUT: INDIVIDUAL SELF-GUIDED RETREAT**

(min 2 nights):  
3rd-7th June 2024  
24th-28th June 2024  
12th-18th August 2024  
9th-12th December 2024

#### **BENEDICTINE IGR**

(min 3 nights):  
8th-14th July 2024  
7th-13th October 2024

#### **TAI CHI & CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:**

Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB  
9th-12th September 2024

#### **WRITING FROM THE WELL WITHIN:**

Led by Kate Green  
(Artist & Spiritual Director)  
13th-15th September 2024

#### **LIVING WITH LOSS:**

Led by Simon Holland Brown Dip.  
Couns MBACP & Fr Peter  
William OSB  
11th-14th November 2024

#### **ADVENT RETREAT:**

3rd-5th December 2024

### DAY RETREATS 10am-4pm

#### **The Life Journey Map:**

Led by Elizabeth Elliott  
Saturday 11th May

#### **C S Lewis – on Good & Evil:**

Led by Robert Elliott  
Saturday 15th June

#### **Jesus meets the Samaritan Woman at the Well**

(John 4:1-42):  
Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB  
Tuesday 24th September  
Tuesday 1st October

To book a place online or for further information contact  
Worth Abbey Retreat Centre





## *Non-Parish Events*

### **Grandparents Pilgrimage**

Pope Francis often highlights the importance of Grandparents and the elderly in our communities.

We are celebrating them with two special events this Summer:

Grandparent's Pilgrimage to West Grinstead on **26<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am – 3pm** at  
The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead

Led by Bishop Richard, a day of prayer including Benediction and Mass, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat and cake, at our Diocesan Shrine.

Please sign up through the link provided <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/h4bozjok> or through the Diocesan website.

### **Santa Marta Group – Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 11-1pm** at St Peter's Hall, Shoreham

By kind invitation of Bishop Richard Moth all are invited to attend a presentation and discussion on Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking – Communities and Parishes. In 2014 Pope Francis instructed Cardinal Vincent Nichols to lead the work of the Santa Marta Group as an important mission for the Catholic Church.

It now has partners in over 40 countries; from acorns oak trees grow. Places can be booked through the attached link [Santa Marta Group - Modern slavery & human trafficking presentation \(29-Jun-2024\) - ChurchSuite Events](#). If you wish to discuss your engagement with this event before booking please contact Tessa Ricketts, Diocesan Advisor E: [tessa.ticketts@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:tessa.ticketts@abdiocese.org.uk)

### **Mass for Engaged Couples**

Join Bishop Richard for a special Mass on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July** at 7pm in Arundel Cathedral, celebrating the momentous journey of discernment that is engagement towards the lifelong commitment made by couples preparing for marriage.

Join us afterwards for a drink's reception in the Cathedral Centre. We look forward to meeting many engaged couples from across the Diocese and sharing in their joy.

Please book here <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/tha4tc8y>

If you wish to discuss your engagement with this event please contact Katherine Bergin, marriage & Family Life Advisor E: [katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk)

### **Adoremus Saturday**

Members of clergy and people from across our diocesan community are invited to join Bishop Richard at Adoremus 2024, the National Eucharistic Congress taking place at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham, on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**. The day will include a keynote address, Mass, a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction and a range of campus activities including a Carlo Acutis presentation, Rosary Walk, and Adoration in the chapel. The Diocese is organising a coach to the venue leaving from St Wilfrid's Catholic School, Old Horsham Road, Crawley, West Sussex, RH11 8PG at 06.45am and returning to Crawley around 9pm that same day. The cost per person is £40 which includes parking at St Wilfrid's, coach travel, and entry to the event. A number of the coach seats have been booked, so please do encourage people to book soon. Registration for the event is made on churchsuite, so please ask people to visit:

[abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/8xokz3ru](https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/8xokz3ru).

Please contact Laura Maydew-Gale, E: [communications@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:communications@abdiocese.org.uk) with any questions.

**For other regular items, please see the website:**

For readings, see Universalis: [Universalis](#)

Parish Leadership Team: [Parish Leadership Team](#)

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Children's Junior Church liturgy: [Junior Church](#)

Diocesan Family Materials: [Family Materials](#)

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**In Touch:** If you would like anything to appear in 'In Touch,' please contact Maria Stribbling at [parish@worth.org.uk](mailto:parish@worth.org.uk)  
**(by Wednesday 10am)**

**Safe Spaces:** 0300 303 1056 **Web:** [www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk/](http://www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk/) **Email:** [safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk](mailto:safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk)

**If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, or if you have any prayer intentions, please let Fr Paul know.**

## REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

**Mass Times** - Saturday: 9.00 am (Concelebrated) and 5.00 pm (First Mass of Sunday),  
Sunday: 9.30 am.

Daily Mass: 5.30 pm (Concelebrated), Holy Days of Obligation: 7.30 pm.

Feast Day: 5.30 pm.



**Confessions (Sacrament of Reconciliation)** – In the Church, Sundays 08.45am – 09.15am  
(If anyone cannot come at this time, please make a special appointment with Fr Paul)

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** – Every Sunday at 6.30pm in the Church, after vespers and on  
Wednesdays from 2.30pm-3.30pm in the main Church.

**Rosary Group** – Mondays in the Abbey Church after Vespers – 7:10pm until 8:00pm. Please contact Rachel  
Davies: 07801 696354.

**Lectio Divina** – Tuesday evenings at 8pm via Zoom. Please contact Jenny Chapman  
[jenny\\_chapman@sky.com](mailto:jenny_chapman@sky.com) If you would like to join us, please contact Jenny Chapman by email or speak to  
her after Mass any weekend.

**Christian Meditation Group** – 7.00pm in the Unity Room, please contact Richard by email  
[rbrownd1@gmail.com](mailto:rbrownd1@gmail.com). Forthcoming dates are **26<sup>th</sup> June** and **24<sup>th</sup> July** (this one will be held in St Brunos)

**Vigil for Vocations** - (1st Friday). After Compline 8.30pm - 9.00pm.

**Bible Study Group** – 11am on Mondays in St Benedict's (Parish Office). Please contact the Parish Office.

Worth Abbey Parish is committed to safer recruitment. Arundel and Brighton Diocese and Worth Abbey Parish are committed to safeguarding all children and vulnerable groups at risk within its community. The Diocese aims to embed a culture of safeguarding to prevent abuse and to provide support to individuals who have been hurt by abuse, taking the necessary actions to reduce the likelihood of further harm.

**Our Worth Abbey Parish Safeguarding Reps are Charles and Ann McCarthy**

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