



# In Touch

Journeying Together:

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Co-Responsibility

Saints Peter and Paul (year B)  
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Dear Parishioners

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

Last week, **Refugee Week**, closed with a talk by Anna Pincus, director of the Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group. We are pleased to offer below the impressions of a guest in the monastery who attended, Harry Cooper.

*It is easier – and often preferable – to look away from the suffering that is right in front of us. But Christ tells us through His actions and His parables, particularly those of the Good Samaritan and the Sheep and the Goats, that we must do the opposite. If we see our neighbour suffering, we must go to him immediately and help him in whatever way we can – even if we may be ridiculed by others for doing so. And because Christ focused His loving gaze on those whom society had cast out as unclean, damaged and offensive, we must do the same. In first century Palestine, it was lepers and prostitutes who were banished to the margins of society; now it is the homeless, convicted criminals and migrants.*

*It was with this in mind that I listened to Anna Pincus, the director of the Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group, on Sunday, who had come to share with us the suffering she had encountered in that context. A gentle voice and a smiling face could not disguise the fact that Anna was clearly made of stern stuff – something of undeniable importance for anyone who offers support to those at the edges of our society, or indeed, steps into one of the two detention centres that lurk out of sight by the runway at Gatwick Airport. Each week, she and her volunteers visit the locked-up men and women and families and simply sit with them. Sometimes they talk, sometimes they don't. But what they do is restore the dignity of the people they meet, no matter wot they may be.*

*Anna described in great and disturbing detail the effects of detention on the people she had met over the years. With fewer rights than someone accused of terror offences, asylum seekers who end up in detention are dehumanised almost immediately, stripped of their rights and freedoms and given little practical support to access legal advice or even their own families. (The UK is the only country which detains people indefinitely, and this leads to serious mental illness.) I was embarrassed that I had to be reminded that asylum seekers are not criminals, but for so long they have been demonised by the media and most mainstream political parties.*

*With migration levels rising across the world, Anna's work is even more contentious than before. This became apparent during the discussion. Anna managed the discussion quite calmly, and*

*light-heartedly pointed out that she wasn't running for Parliament and so had little say over national immigration policy!*

*Given how much anger there is at the moment about immigration, reflected in the tone of the general election campaign, how are we as Catholics to navigate this issue? There is a wide spectrum of opinion about the subject, which is of course to be expected. But it is also clear that our Lord seeks peace for us and for our communities to be based on mutual love and respect.*

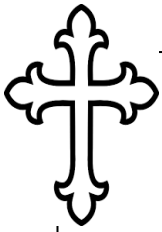
*One suggestion is to consider the 1992 Catechism of the Catholic Church, an astonishingly detailed, balanced and extensive compendium of Catholic teaching in all areas of Christian life. On immigration it has this to say:*

*The more prosperous nations are obliged, to the extent they are able, to welcome the foreigner in search of the security and the means of livelihood which he cannot find in his country of origin. Public authorities should see to it that the natural right is respected that places a guest under the protection of those who receive him.*

*Political authorities, for the sake of the common good for which they are responsible, may make the exercise of the right to immigrate subject to various juridical conditions, especially with regard to the immigrants' duties toward their country of adoption. Immigrants are obliged to respect with gratitude the material and spiritual heritage of the country that receives them, to obey its laws and to assist in carrying civic burdens.*

*I read this with great interest, not least because it appears to calmly transcend the frustratingly simplistic political binaries of 'left vs right' or 'progressive vs conservative'. It reflects deep Catholic truths: that it is incumbent on us to provide a welcome to those who are searching for security, and to treat them with dignity. But it is also entirely legitimate to expect our governments to prioritise the common good by helping immigrants to integrate in society.*

*Our country has moved so far away from the Christian ideals upon which it was established; but as Catholics, we must do what we can, and show our neighbours what it means to be a person of Christian faith. We might consider St Benedict's chapter on the reception of guests: They must be received as Christ. We can also think of Anna Pincus and all those who each week quietly go into the Gatwick detention centres to love those who have been demonised, cast out and forgotten.*



## Prayers

Please pray for Hugh Hurdman, our very faithful and generous parish gardener of many years.  
Hugh died this week. May he rest in peace.  
His funeral will be at Worth, and we will advertise the date and time as soon as we know it.

Please continue to pray for our parishioners Sue Pearson, Norbert and Severina D'Souza, Veronica Adnitt, John and Sue Rutherford, Demelza Waring, Liz Hicklin, Pamela Bagwell, Helen Sweetman, Jill Carter, Laura Rawlinson, Peter and Antee Greene and Fred Green.

### **A prayer of Pope Francis, marking Refugee Week**

*God, Almighty Father, we are Your pilgrim Church  
journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven.  
but as if we were foreigners.*

*Every foreign place is our home, yet every native land is foreign to us.  
Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven.  
Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world  
You have given us as a temporary home,  
together with our migrant brothers and sisters,  
toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.  
Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need  
becomes an encounter with Jesus, Your Son and our Lord.  
Amen.*

### **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** – Jim Higgins, Setna McQuillan, Anthony Holland, Mitch Rozum, Charles Thompson, Roy Robinson, Stephen Ray, Jeannine Hall and William Gittins.  
**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.**

### **Daily Readings**

Monday – Amos 2:6-10, 13-16 Matt 8:18-22  
Tuesday – Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12 Matt 8:23-27  
Wednesday – Eph 2:19-22 John 20:24-29 (**St Thomas**)  
Thursday – Amos 7:10-17 Matt 9:1-8  
Friday – Amos 8:4-6, 9-12 Matt 9:9-13  
Saturday – Amos 9:11-15 Matt 9:14-17

Next Sunday's Readings: **Fourteenth Sunday in OT (Year B)**  
1st Reading – Ezekiel 2:2-5 2nd Reading – 2 Corinthians 12:7-10  
**Gospel: Mark 6:1-6**  
**A prophet is only despised in his own country**

### *Parish Events*

#### Dates for your Diary



**This Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June** – The Family Catechesis groups continue in Compass House and the Unity room after mass.

**Next Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> July** – Refreshments after mass in the Unity Room.

**Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Parish picnic, after mass. Do please prepare your finest Fortnum & Mason's hamper. We will either sit on the grass or if you find it easier, do bring your own picnic furniture. If you need help to move it from the carpark there will be a team eager to step in to help.

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July** – Parish Brunch after mass in Compass House.

**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, 5<sup>th</sup> July (Please be advised of change of date for this session) at 7.30pm.**

#### 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. [Donate](#)

#### **This weekend there will be a Second Collection for "Peter's Pence".**

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond with emergency assistance to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease. This collection was started centuries ago to provide financial support for the Pope and has evolved to fund the Holy See's charitable actions for those in need.

### 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.

### 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.

**Junior Church last class will be on 14<sup>th</sup> July. Classes resume on 8<sup>th</sup> September**

### RCIA

Dear Friends, we are delighted to invite you to participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program at Worth Abbey Parish, beginning this September. The RCIA is a journey of faith, providing an opportunity for those who are considering joining the Catholic Church to learn about our beliefs, traditions, and community life.

Whether you are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, the RCIA program offers a supportive environment to explore your faith and grow spiritually. This invitation is also extended to Sponsors and those who wish to explore the foundations of their faith more deeply.

To help you learn more about the program and meet others who are also beginning this journey, we will hold an initial meeting on **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, after Mass, in St Benedict's (the Parish office). This gathering will provide an overview of the RCIA process and answer any questions you may have.

We kindly ask those interested to enquire by phone or email before July 21<sup>st</sup> to ensure we can adequately prepare for the meeting. Please feel free to reach out to me, Geoff Chapman, via email at [gchapman@worth.org.uk](mailto:gchapman@worth.org.uk) or call me at 01342 710273 for further information or to express your interest.

We look forward to welcoming you and walking together on this path of faith and discovery.

*With blessings, Geoff Chapman, RCIA Coordinator, Worth Abbey Parish*

### ELECTION

#### **We are asked to publish the following information.**

To cast a vote at the polling station it is necessary both to be registered and to have valid identification.

**The General Election on 4<sup>th</sup> July** will be the first at which photo ID has been required.

The [Electoral Commission](#) has details on its website of the forms of ID which are acceptable,

Please see an item on general election on our website - [General Election](#)

There is an excellent range of election resources available to read and download with material from [CBCEW](#), [CAFOD](#), [CSAN](#), [Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group](#) and [The Jesuit Missions](#) (which includes a Hustings Finder).

#### **In preparation for the election, Cardinal Vincent Nicolls writes to us:**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, encourages Catholics to vote in this July's General Election :

*"Engage with [parliamentary] candidates in any way that you can - you want to know what that candidate will think and say on your behalf, when that candidate gets into parliament.*

*"There are lots of questions you might want ask, there is a theme, though, that I would like to put forward and that is 'how do we seek to construct a society in which families can flourish?' that theme is the bedrock and all sorts of things flow from that...*

*"Criminal Justice depends a lot on the stability of family life; poverty and plenty and how we adjust and share the resources of our society; International Affairs and Education are important for the flourishing of family life, as are Life Issues, the beginning and ending of life, those principles that are so crucial to our mutual respect and regard for one another."*

Cardinal Nichols signposts a number of resources in the recording which offer guidance on key topics of interest to Catholics. You can access these resources and find out more on the [Bishops' Conference Website](#). The St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) have teamed up with CAFOD to offer election resources with a particular focus on tackling poverty. You can find out more on the SVP website [here](#).

**(Please see the printed sheets available by the church doors.)**

CSAN has also published a resource called *Do Justice: A Vision for Spiritual and Civic Renewal in England and Wales*. The booklet sets out a renewed vision for the nations of England and Wales, centred on Christ and Catholic Social Teaching. It is an invitation to the Catholic communities of England and Wales to fulfil ever more deeply our baptismal vocation and it is the foundation of Do Justice. It could be a good place to begin your preparations for a Catholic response to the General Election, underpinned by Gospel-inspired principles. You can access it towards the bottom of [this page](#).

### **A new lectionary has been prepared for use in the English-speaking world.**

The new translation will come into use in England and Wales on the First Sunday of Advent this year. The new edition uses the English Standard Version - Catholic Edition for the readings and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles for the Responsorial Psalms. You can find out more about the new Lectionary on the Liturgy Office [website](#), with useful FAQs included on CBCEW's website [here](#).

You can purchase a copy of the ESV Bible from our bookshop, and also a book about it by Mark Giszczak, entitled *Bible Translation and the Making of the ESV Catholic Edition* (Augustine Institute, 2022). You may also find this youtube interview helpful: [The Tale of the Bible Translations with Dr Mark Giszczak](#)

## **Worth Pro Earth**

### **The General Election**

With the important issue of a General Election on the **4<sup>th</sup> July**, WPE are going to concentrate on that for the next 3 weeks.

We steer away from politics as much as this is possible when dealing with climate and ecological issues as we focus on individual and community actions. While these are extremely important it is difficult to deny that our actions need to be supported - or at least not sabotaged - by our government.

With this in mind CAFOD have created an interesting piece on questions that we - as Catholics - should be asking any candidates we meet at hustings or on our doorsteps.

Here is one extracted from that article - the full text of which can be found on the CAFOD website [CAFOD.org.uk/encounter](https://www.cafod.org.uk/encounter) (and some hard copies of which can be found in the Narthex)

*'Some of the world's poorest communities are facing the greatest burden of the climate crisis. With millions of people already displaced as a result of extreme weather events, how would you support working with other countries to raise new taxes from the most polluting industries such as shipping, aviation and fossil fuels to support countries suffering the impacts of climate catastrophes?'*

### **Community Food Hubs**

In October West Sussex County Council launched a six-month pilot project to encourage people to take advantage of surplus food rescue services and food waste prevention education sessions, which in turn, works to reduce the amount of edible food that ends up in people's household rubbish bins. Due to the success of the pilot, working with UKHarvest and other partnerships and charities, in 2023 the programme was extended running until April 2024. The programme prevented over 37 tonnes of food going to waste, provided food to over 11,000 people with over 70% of residents saying that they reduced food from going to waste at home. The programme has been extended for a further 12 months, running once a month across every district borough until April 2025:

**Haywards Heath** (second Friday of the month from 1000-1100) next date **12<sup>th</sup> July** at  
Ascension church, 100 Vale Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 4JS

**Crawley** (third Wednesday of the month from 1000-1100) next date **17<sup>th</sup> July** at  
Broadfield Community Centre, Broadfield Barton, Crawley, RH11 9BA

**Horsham** (fourth Wednesday of the month from 1000-1100) next date **24<sup>th</sup> July** at  
Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Spierbridge Road, Storrington, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 4PG

Each district and borough will host a UKHarvest community food hub once a month where, for a small donation, people will be able to pick up a wide selection of surplus foods which would have otherwise ended up as waste from suppliers

Find out more: [West Sussex](#)

## **Worth Pro Earth (Cont.)**

### **The Lead Bishop for the Environment, Bishop John Arnold, has written:**

to the leaders of the main political parties to ask them to take environmental issues seriously during this summer's election campaign. Thanking them for their service in public life, Bishop John highlighted the urgent need to address global warming and its consequences as predictions now show the earth is warming at a faster rate than previously thought, writing:

“The challenge of climate change is urgent, and its effects are already being felt across the world, often affecting the most vulnerable communities who have contributed least to the crisis. It is a challenge that can only be addressed by global co-operation, together with support for countries that are less able to afford a transition away from carbon-intensive fuels.”

Bishop John has called on the parties to show strong leadership in the global endeavour to reduce carbon emissions; ensure the UK assists poorer countries to meet their targets and obligations; produce credible policies to reduce net carbon emissions to zero by 2050; and commit to working with key institutions like schools and faith communities to help them act as good custodians of the natural world. [Click here](#) to visit our website and read Bishop John's message in full.

### **Recycling in West Sussex**

Do you know what you can and can't recycle at home? You can find out at the following link explaining exactly what you can recycle. <https://www.youtube.com/@WSRecycles>

Take part in the survey which aims to gather information on what you know about recycling and waste prevention knowledge in West Sussex, the survey closes on 30 June, at the following link: <https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/recycling-survey>

### **Easy swaps to go plastic free**

This July help in reducing plastic waste with simple, sustainable swaps that can make a big difference. For example,

- switch from liquid soaps and shampoos to bars
  - store leftovers in reusable containers
- bring a reusable coffee cup to the office or shops.

If you do use plastic, remember to recycle what you can at home or at your local Recycling Centre. [recycling centres](#). Many supermarkets also now have collection points for plastic bags and wrapping. Find your nearest participating store here. [store recycling](#)

Plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays can be recycled at home as long as they are clean, dry and loose. Find more information on what plastics can be recycled at home here. [Recycle at Home](#)

### **Transform your kitchen waste into garden gold!**

Long summer days are the perfect time to start composting and give your garden a natural boost. Composting is a fantastic way to reduce your kitchen waste, transforming it into nutrient-rich compost that can be used to enhance your garden.

Keep a container in the kitchen to collect your food waste such as eggshells and vegetable peelings, and you could reduce your household waste by up to 10%.

We've teamed up with Get Composting to help you buy a composter at a reduced price - a 220-litre compost bin for £22 or a 330-litre one for £29. Buy your compost bin at the following link: [Get Composting](#)

### **The 'Restore Nature' March in London,**

last Saturday led by Chris Packham was an amazing, colourful and positive event. Activists from Extinction Rebellion (XR), Animal Rising and Just Stop Oil march with the supporters of over 300 respected environmental organisations including the National Trust, RSPB, the Wildlife Trusts, and Friends of the Earth marched from 4 corners of central London to Parliament Square. Positive and inspiring speeches followed on the urgent need to restore Nature in our Nation.

Protecting and enhancing our natural world is key to the maintenance of a liveable planet for all God's creatures. Scenes from the March are available to watch on YouTube and the speeches of Chris Packham and Feargal Sharkey are particularly worth watching.

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*

## *Non-Parish Events*

### **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)

### **Catholic Podcasts**

**The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW)** produces a number of podcasts throughout the year. Their main strand is called "Catholic News" but they also have podcasts covering social justice, Scripture and the Gospels with standalone series like "Journeying with Newman" looking at the life and teachings of St John Henry Newman. You can find out more on their website, [here](#)

**The Catholic Truth Society (CTS)** offers a seasonal podcast called [Beautifully Told](#), created by members of the CTS team. Available on Spotify, Apple and Google Podcasts, it offers subscribers an opportunity to "listen in on an honest conversation between two Catholic friends as they tackle the essential questions of life and faith".

**All Kinds of Catholic** launched earlier this week and is presented by Theresa Alessandro, a Catholic who has worked for two Catholic organisations. Theresa hosts the weekly Wednesday episodes with conversations with different Catholic guests exploring how each contributor lives their faith in the world today – sharing their hopes, joys and disappointments. You can find out more on the Buzzsprout website, [here](#).

### **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:**

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(by Wednesday 10am)

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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 date **24<sup>th</sup> July** (this one session will be held in Compass House)

**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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