

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISM PREPARATION

These sessions take place regularly throughout the year. Please contact the office for details and to book. The next Baptism session will be in **July (date tbc) at 8pm via Zoom.**

RECONCILIATION

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. This sacrament is regularly available in church on Saturdays after the 9.30 Mass or on request.

Children are introduced to **Reconciliation** during the year in which they make their first Holy Communion and are then invited to celebrate this sacrament of God's healing.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

The programmes have finished for this year. Registrations for 2026 will start in the Autumn.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 28 June	9.30 10.00 16.45 18.00	The Immaculate Heart of Mary (Memorial) NO MASS NO Adoration and NO Reconciliation ITALIAN MASS MASS Michael O'Neill RIP
Sun 29 June	9.15 11.15	Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles (Solemnity) MASS Maureen Hargreaves RIP MASS June Ellis RIP
Mon 30 June	9.30	St Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial) MASS For the speedy recovery of Peter May
Tue 01 July	18.30 19.30	Consecration of Arundel Cathedral (Feast) Adoration and Reconciliation MASS Good health of Ian Richardson
Wed 02 July	9.30 10.00	MASS Fr P Fitzgerald RIP (Anniversary) ROSARY
Thu 03 July	NO MASS	St Thomas, Apostle (Feast) NO MASS
Fri 04 July	9.30 10.00	MASS The David Family DIVINE MERCY
Sat 05 July	NO MASS 16.45 18.00	NO MASS NO Adoration and NO Reconciliation ITALIAN MASS MASS Lynda Ellis RIP
Sun 06 July	10.00	ONLY ONE MASS THIS SUNDAY Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time MASS Simpkin Family's intentions

Toddlers Play and Praise – Volunteers Needed

We've loved meeting on Fridays, 10–11.30am in the hall during term time. But with some helpers moving on, we need new volunteers to continue after the summer. If you're a parent or grandparent with a spare Friday morning, we'd love your support. Contact Emma at pt.walton@abdiocese.org.uk.



ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

28/29 JUNE 2025



A Message From Fr Ruslan

Dear Parishioners,
This Sunday, we joyfully celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, two great pillars of the Church. Though very different in background—Peter, the humble fisherman chosen by Christ to lead the apostles, and Paul, the zealous Pharisee transformed by grace into the Church's boldest missionary—both gave their lives for the Gospel. Their feast reminds us that the Church is built not on perfection, but on faith and conversion. Peter teaches us the power of repentance and steadfast leadership; Paul shows us the reach of God's mercy and the urgency of proclaiming Christ. May their witness inspire us to deepen our faith, to speak the truth in love, and to follow Christ with courage and humility. Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us!

With prayers Fr Ruslan and the PPC

Welcome Back, Fr Bill

This weekend, we're delighted to welcome back Fr Bill, who will be celebrating all Masses. As a former parish priest here, it's a joy to have him with us again. We're grateful for his continued support—please join us in thanking him for his ministry and warmly making him feel at home.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JUNE AND JULY

We continue to join our Holy Father in prayer for his monthly intentions:
<https://www.popesprayer.va/popes-prayer-intentions-for-2025>
In **June**, Pope Leo invites us to deepen our personal prayer life and grow in compassion:
Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

And as we enter the month of July, we pray for formation in discernment:

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

DEACON GARY CARTER'S ORDINATION and FIRST MASS

Next Sunday, 6 July, Deacon Gary will celebrate his First Mass as a priest at St Erconwald's, following his ordination at Arundel Cathedral. To mark the occasion, we're hosting a parish lunch after the 10am Mass. If you can provide food or drink, please **sign up** at the back of the church. We also need volunteers to help set up the hall and gazebos—please email the parish office as soon as possible if you can assist.

BIG CLEAN - HELP NEEDED PLEASE

We need a few volunteers **next Friday evening, 4 July**, to give the church a quick deep clean ahead of Gary's First Mass. With enough help, it should only take around 30 minutes. If you can, please come along—and bringing a Hoover would be a big help too!

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ACCOUNT NO 01126393

DONATIONS PAYABLE TO:

RCD A&B ST ERCONWALD'S
WALTON ON THAMES.

You can also donate in church using the DONA device or the QR codes in the pews. Please use Gift Aid if you can. Thank you for all your help and financial contributions!

DEAR PARISHIONERS

This section of our newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether sick, housebound or just in need of extra prayer. If you would like your name or someone you know to be added to the list, please let the office know. If you are submitting on behalf of someone else, please seek their permission first. If you are sick or unwell and would like Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter, just let us know.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Aman Allos, Tom Asbury, Teresa Azouz, Baby Elm, Roger Blishen, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Katherine Cawley, Trish Claxton, Rose Collins, Jimmy Comaughtoin, Thérèse Crumpler, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dadds, Julia Donaldson, Mary Edenborough, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Michael and Cathy Flynn, Carole Frost, Carmen Galanty, Sophie Giannini, Franky Goes, Gloria Gowen, Ann Griffin, the Hansford family, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Karen Lane, John Lydon, Rita McGloin, Oscar Menezes, Christian Misuraca, Sarah Mitchell, Maureen Moriarty, Colleen Murphy, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, Ben Piltsher, Shirley Rhodes, Deborah Russell, Evie Sagun, Anna Sartori, Michael Spears, Michelle Thomas, Eileen White, Angela Widdup, Dina Yates.

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan would like to meet parishioners who are too poorly to come to church at different times throughout the year in their homes. Do reach out to Susana in the office, Ann Meehan or Fr Ruslan so we can schedule visits.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

There will be a second collection this weekend (28/29 June) for Peter's Pence, which supports the Pope's charitable work and the needs of the universal Church. This long-standing tradition dates back to Anglo-Saxon England and today helps fund humanitarian aid, social programmes, and the mission of the Holy See.

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNINGS

Our monthly coffee mornings will take a break over the summer —there won't be one in July or August. We'll be back in September!

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK - SEA SUNDAY

The second collection next week will be for Stella Maris, the maritime agency of the Catholic Church. Its teams of chaplains provide practical help and pastoral care to seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the world. Sea Sunday is a day for people to come together to pray for seafarers and fishers, and thank them for the vital role they play in all of our lives. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/sea-sunday/>

100 CLUB

The next 100 Club draw will be on Sunday 13 July after the 9.15 Mass. If you are interested in joining the 100 Club and helping raise money for our church, please contact the office for a pack and return it before the 10th of September. New numbers will be added for the second half of the year, which is from the October draw onwards.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

Members of the PPC participated in a Formation Day last Saturday led by Deacons Nick and Jon from the diocesan team. The PPC embraced the time to pray together and reflect on how the Parish has grown over the last couple of years and how blessed we are to have so many wonderful volunteers who provide so much energy and commitment to all the various liturgical, pastoral and support groups. The PPC then discussed the challenges ahead for the parish, in particular the ongoing fundraising (for the continued renovation of the church); understanding the impact and opportunities that the creation of the larger parish (combining a number of existing parishes as outlined in the Diocesan Plan) presents will also be very important. Updates on both of these will follow.

ART CLASS

Art class for adults - beginners and intermediate levels, create college landscape and seascape **THIS SATURDAY 28 June and 5th of July** 10:30am - 1:30pm in the church hall. Tickets £5 and proceeds go towards the church maintenance fund. PL3QW3 email: loirelei.hopkins@yahoo.com mobile: 07958 403212 for more details.

YOUTH LED MASS!

Please do join mass led by the young people of our Parish this Saturday **28 June at 6pm**. If you've any suggestions or want to join in - for music, or reading or in any other way, please contact Lucy Jardine on 07740 461 785. Please pass on this message to any young people who might not receive the newsletter!

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - ANNUAL PARISH HOG ROAST/BBQ! Please join us for the annual Parish BBQ Sunday 7 September. This is always a fun way to come together as a parish, more details to follow.

APPEAL FROM THE TODDLERS GROUP

We've have quite a few babies joining our Baby and Toddler group (10-11.30 on Fridays in the hall). If anyone has a baby bouncer seat or playmat they are looking to give away please contact the office.

POPE LEO ANNOUNCES DATE OF CANONISATION

Pope Leo XIV held the first Ordinary Public Consistory of his pontificate on 13 June, with Cardinals giving their formal approval for the canonisations of eight Blessed. During the ceremony, the Holy Father announced that Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonised on **7 September**. The canonisation of Acutis, who was beatified in Assisi on 10 October 2020, had originally been scheduled for 27 April, the Second Sunday of Easter, to coincide with the Jubilee of Teenagers but was postponed following the death of Pope Francis. Please do visit a selection of Carlo Acutis' exhibition **detailling some of the Eucharistic miracles**, displayed around the sanctuary.

DIOCESAN / OTHER NEWS

CATHOLIC UNION SUMMER GATHERING

Saturday 12 July from 11 am at Worth Abbey. All welcome. The day will include an address from Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union. Coinciding with the 50th Anniversary of the Consecration of Worth Abbey Church we are lucky enough to be able to join in their celebrations. Rt Rev. Jeremias Schröder OSB, Abbot Primate of the Benedictine Confederation, will speak about the Rule of St Benedict and its relevance for today. More information, including booking details, can be found on the Catholic Union's website. Any queries or problems please contact info@catholicunion.org.uk or telephone 020 87491321.

BIG CHURCH FESTIVAL

The annual ecumenical Big Church Festival, West Sussex will take place this year **22-24 August** the Diocese will be going, more details to follow, in the meantime you can find more information on the line up here: <https://bigchurchfestival.com/lineup/>

WALK THE AUGUSTINE CAMINO FOR MARY'S MEALS

1 - 8 September - During this Jubilee Year we would be delighted if you joined us as Pilgrims of Hope on some or all of the Augustine Camino, starting at Rochester Cathedral and finishing at the Shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. The pilgrimage will take us to four of the designated Jubilee churches and shrines in the area. Please contact Roy Peachey roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk or 07593 447297 to book your place.

FESTIVAL OF HOPE/DIOCESAN 60th ANNIVERSARY

A big celebration will take place on **20 September** at Queen's Jubilee Hall, Ardingley. There are limited tickets available for each deanery/parish; we'll travel by coach together. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you are interested.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please send any newsletter/website/porch/social media items or any amendments to: comms.sterconwals@gmail.com by Thursdays at 2pm for inclusion/ uploading as appropriate. All feedback is welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

If you wish to work with children or vulnerable adults in our parish please contact Tina O'Kelly, our Safeguarding Rep for volunteers: tina@okellynet.com. See our website for further details.

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are such a huge part of our parish and we would love to welcome anyone who wishes to get involved as we grow together as a faith community and reach out to those around us. See here for details: <https://www.sterconwals.org.uk/get-involved.html>

YOUR OFFERINGS
PLATE COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE: TO BE CONFIRMED

STANDING ORDERS FOR MAY: £4768.67

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATES!

6 JUL: DEACON GARY'S FIRST MASS
10-11 JUL: PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM
AUG: PILGRIM'S WAY WALK
7 SEP: PARISH HOG ROAST/BBQ
20 SEP: FESTIVAL OF HOPE
16 NOV: FUNDRAISING CONCERT