

**NOTICES:**

**Parish Office:** Closed on 19<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**St Mary's Heritage Celebration:** 45 minute tours 10-4pm on 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. Free - donations to help restoration funds

**Prayer Ministry Team** needs more members! If you feel called to this ministry please speak to Jackie or Judy P. Next meeting: Wed 24 Sept, 2.30pm *in church*.

**St James Harvest Festival:** Sun 28 Sept 10.30am Sung Mass

**Disabled Christian Fellowship: No Meeting in September.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of the month @ Harriet Johnson Centre. All Welcome.

**Coombes Harvest Evensong:** Sun 5 Oct 3pm with Guest Preacher Fr. Thomas Cotterill followed by tea, cake & raffle in the barn.

**Lancing & Sompting Foodbank:** Food and cleaning materials only, please leave in the box in the porch. **Turning Tides:** URGENT HARVEST APPEAL. Please see notice on box in church or wish list in the porch for items needed.

**Prayer for the Vacancy:** Almighty God, rejoicing in our Baptism and the particular vocations you give to your people: We pray for more Priests and especially for the right person to become the Parish Priest for our Chalkspring Churches. Raise up, we pray, a wise, holy and faithful Priest to serve in this place. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN



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## Parish of Lancing with Coombes



### Holy Cross

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
10.30am Sung Parish Mass

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Father Michael Maine

Welcome to Mass today.  
Follow the service from this paper.

**Refreshments are served after the service - everyone is welcome to stay.**

### **For your prayers...**

**The Sick:** Joy Wood, Yvonne & Ian Parsons, Laura P, Pam Filmore, Debbie Demarco, Jo Q, Elaine Groves.

**Pray also:** Ian David, Fr Andrew Perry, David Scott, Stella, Jaxson, Adam Mitchell, Richard Pullin, Teddy Bridges, Ann & Ernest, Helen Goodman, Nick Battershill, Margaret Sands, Celia Poetz, Gill Agate, Tommy Eames, Fiona Scott, Andrew, Paula Kinsella, Brad Holland.

**The Departed commemorated this week:** Ada Golds, Christine Tvrdy, Frank Outridge, Marjorie Robinson, Paul Sands, Daisy Wood, Connie Maddocks, Joan Bowers, Janet Phillips.

**Intentions:** Caring & Sharing and those living in Hoe Ct, Mount Way & Ring Rd

### **Events and Services this week:**

**Morning Prayer everyday @ 8.00am**

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Monthly Get-together 2-3pm All Welcome.

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Sep:** 11am Said Mass.  
1-2pm Seated Fitness Class.  
3pm Cursillo Group Meet @ 22 Rossiter Rd.

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Lunch Club Highdown Garden Centre. Meet outside church for lift/share @ 11.45am

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Sept:** MacMillan Coffee Morning 10am-12noon

**Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Sept:** 10.30am Sung Parish Mass.

*All at St James unless otherwise stated.*

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**ENTRANCE HYMN** *Stand*  
**NEH79 The Royal Banners Forward Go**

**GREETING**

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
 and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**PRAYERS OF PENITENCE**

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our  
 sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate  
 these sacred mysteries.

**Lord, have mercy.** *Sung together*  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
 have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you  
 from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in  
 all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

***R. Glory to God, Glory to God,  
 Glory to God in the Highest.***

**Glory to God in the Highest,  
 and peace to his people on earth.  
 Lord God, Heav'nly King  
 Almighty God and Father,  
 We worship you, we give you thanks,  
 we praise you for your glory. *R.***

**Lord, Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take away the sin of the world,  
 have mercy on us;  
 You are seated at the right hand of the  
 Father, receive our prayer. *R.***

**For you alone are the Holy one,  
 You alone are the Lord,  
 You alone are the most high,  
 Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
 In the Glory of God the Father. *R.***

**COLLECT**

Almighty God,  
 who in the passion of your blessed Son  
 made an instrument of painful death  
 to be for us the means of life and peace:  
 grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ  
 that we may gladly suffer for his sake;  
 who is alive and reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen**

**DISMISSAL** *stand*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

+ May almighty God bless you,  
 the Father,  
 and the Son,  
 and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**FINAL HYMN** *stand*

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
 He is my light, my strength, my song;  
 This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
 My Comforter, my All in All,  
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,  
 Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
 This gift of love and righteousness,  
 Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
 The wrath of God was satisfied –  
 For every sin on Him was laid;  
 Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
 Light of the world by darkness slain;  
 Then bursting forth in glorious day  
 Up from the grave He rose again!  
 And as He stands in victory  
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
 For I am His and He is mine –  
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
 This is the power of Christ in me;  
 From life's first cry to final breath,  
 Jesus commands my destiny.  
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
 Can ever pluck me from His hand:  
 Till He returns or calls me home,  
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.



**THE LORD'S PRAYER***sit/kneel*

Our Father,  
 who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy name;  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done  
 on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread,  
 and forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us;  
 and lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 the power and the glory,  
 for ever and ever.  
 Amen

**BREAKING THE BREAD**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
 because we all share in one bread.**

**AGNUS DEI***(sung together)*

**Lamb of God: you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

This is the Lamb of God  
 who takes away the sins of the world.  
 Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
 but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*If you would like to receive a blessing instead,  
 please bring your service sheet with you*

**COMMUNION ANTHEM***Sit*

*Choir will sing: There is a redeemer*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION***Kneel/Sit*

Faithful God,  
 whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree  
 and gave us this sacrament to show forth his  
 death until he comes: give us grace to glory in  
 the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our  
 salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as  
 Lord, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**NOTICES***sit***FIRST READING: Numbers 21.4-9** *Sit*

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSE TO PSALM 22: You are the Holy One, O God****SECOND READING: Philippians 2.6-11**

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION***Stand*

**Alleluia, alleluia!** We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world. **Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: John 3.13-17**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

+ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus "No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him".

The Gospel of the Lord:  
**Praise to you, O Christ**

## **HOMILY**

### **NICENE CREED**

*Stand*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **INTERCESSIONS**

*Kneel/Sit*

Lord, in your mercy:  
**hear our prayer.**

+ Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,  
**and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*Stand*

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

### **OFFERTORY HYMN: NEH90 O sacred Head**

*Stand*

### **OFFERTORY PRAYERS**

Pray, brothers and sisters,  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept  
the sacrifice at your hands,  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

May this oblation, O Lord,  
which on the altar of the Cross  
cancelled the offence of the whole world,  
cleanse us, we pray, of all our sins.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give thanks and praise**

*The Priest continues singing the Preface,  
ending with:*

**Holy, Holy, holy Lord** *(sung together)*  
**God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer:*

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

*The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.  
At the end all respond boldly; Amen*