



ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HORSHAM PARISH NEWSLETTER

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A | 14th June 2026

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Holy Mass Open to Parishioners and Live-streamed

13th June – Saturday, The Immaculate Heart of Mary (Memorial)

10:00 am Mass - Varghese & Mary Varghese Pookombil RIP

Followed by Confession, Adoration & Benediction

5:15 pm to 5:45 pm - Confession

6:00 pm Vigil Mass - Devassy Kallrackal RIP

14th June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 am Mass - Philomena Maguire RIP

11:15 am Mass - Geoff Weaving RIP

1:45 pm - Polish Mass

5:00 pm - Italian Mass

15th June – Monday, St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor (Memorial)

12:00 noon Mass – Deceased Members of the Brown and Lown Families RIP

16th June – Tuesday, St Richard of Chichester, Bishop (Memorial)

NO EARLY MORNING MASS

(9:30 am - Mass at St Gabriel's, Billingshurst)

11:00 am Requiem Mass for Rosina Ricca RIP

(Celebrant: Fr Giandomenico)

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm – Adoration

17th June – Wednesday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 11

NO MASS

11:00 am - Funeral Service for Bruno Francisci RIP

(12:00 noon - Mass at Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis, West Grinstead)

6:00 pm - Polish Adoration

7:00 pm - Polish Mass

18th June – Thursday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 11

N.B. 10:00 am Mass - Deceased Members of the Leaver Family RIP

19th June – Friday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 11

12:00 noon Mass of Healing with Anointing of the Sick - Tony D'Amore RIP
(Followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall)

NO CONFESSION

6:30 pm - Vespers (Evening Prayer)

7:00 pm - Rosary & Adoration

20th June – Saturday, St Alban, Protomartyr of England (Memorial)

10:00 am Mass - Deceased Members of the Hayes Family RIP

Followed by Confession, Adoration & Benediction

3:30 pm - Silent Prayer (Meet upstairs in the Parish Hall for refreshments, input then into the Church for silent prayer)

N.B. 5:30 pm to 5:45 pm - Confession

6:00 pm Vigil Mass - Raymond Smale RIP

21st June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 am Mass - Raymond Smale RIP

11:15 am Mass - Pro Populo

(including Rite of Welcome for the Recently Baptised)

1:45 pm - Polish Mass

2:45 pm - Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

5:00 pm - Italian Mass

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your generous donations,
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Last Week's Collection

£3,172.93

(£1,422.93 Offertory;
£1,750 Standing Orders).

Second Collection

No Collections.

Thank You

You could add 25p to every £1
you give by joining Gift Aid.

PLEASE NOTE: VIDEO RECORDING IS NOT ALLOWED DURING MASS WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION.

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OUR VISTING SEMINARIAN, BARNABAS, WRITES

And proclaim as you go, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons.

Liturgically it has certainly been a rather exciting week. Last Sunday we celebrated the solemnity of Corpus Christi, on Friday the solemnity of the Sacred Heart, and indeed I would be remiss without mentioning the memoria of St Barnabas on Thursday! But as we return to the more regular rhythm of the Church's liturgical calendar in Ordinary Time, perhaps we can pause to reflect on the message in today's Gospel that the Apostles preached to the lost children of Israel; *The kingdom of heaven is at hand.*

There are many things that one can say about this passage. We know that the kingdom of God is here and yet is not of this world; that it is to be truly experienced in the next life, and yet also fast approaching, as we await the remaking of all things on the last day. In fact, some people have, out of an attempt to appropriate or control what the kingdom of Heaven is all about, either turned it into something worldly and political, or something merely theoretical and metaphorical, thus losing what it really is, a theological reality. Ultimately, the kingdom of God is intimately tied up with Christ's coming to us. He has come, and He is here, really, truly, substantially, and yet, He shall come again on the last day, and we are told to wait with our lamps full so that we may joyfully enter the coming wedding feast. How are we to readily anticipate the coming of Christ whilst also being in His presence? How do we wait for Christ, whilst in a sense waiting *with* Him? One of the most profound ways in which we can do this is Eucharistic adoration. In this time in which the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand, Christ's Eucharistic presence is indeed giving miraculous healing and cleansing effects to many. In Lourdes, it is significant that it is in fact during the Blessed Sacrament procession that the most people are healed rather than at the grotto or the baths, and so how wonderful it was for us to process with Our Lord in His Eucharistic presence last Sunday, bringing Him to the people in our local community! What better way to proclaim that the kingdom of God is at hand than worshipping Him in our streets!

So let us try to be mindful of Our Lord's Eucharistic presence, as we spend time with Him in the Blessed Sacrament, and as we receive Him in Holy Communion. Perhaps we can try to spend slightly more time before Him in prayer this week, or perhaps we can try to be especially reverent when receiving Him, and if possible, find an extra moment to be with Him in silence, to allow Him to continue to cleanse and cast out whatever prevents us from being closer to Him in our hearts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPDATED: HOLD THE DATE – LEAVING PARTY FOR BARNABAS: FRIDAY 19TH JUNE – Barnabas, our Visting Seminarian, will be leaving us on 23rd June, to return to the Venerable English College in Rome. On Friday 19th June, we'll be having **Evening Prayer (Vespers) at 6:30pm in the Church**, and a **Leaving Party** for him **in the Parish Hall** – a 'Bring a Dish' Shared Supper - **starting at 7pm**. Barnabas will be giving us a short talk on his experiences while he's been with us in the Parish. Everyone is welcome, so please do come along, so that we can give Barnabas one of our famous Parish send-offs and please bring a dish with you, savoury or sweet, for people to share. Drinks will be provided. There will be an opportunity to donate on the evening to a leaving gift for Barnabas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE AT 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.

CHURCH CLEANING - The church is cleaned weekly usually on Wednesday morning when there is no Mass. We are in need of more willing hands. Can you spare half an hour or an hour alternate week? Depending on the response to this appeal it may be monthly!! If you can help please give your name and contact details to the Parish Office. Thank you in anticipation.

FOODBANK COLLECTION (NEXT WEEKEND) - SVP Horsham will be collecting goods for the Horsham Matters Foodbank next weekend, **20th and 21st June**. When cupboards are empty, and money is tight, a food donation can be the difference between panic and relief. By donating food to Horsham Matters, you help local people across Horsham District get emergency support quickly, with dignity and care. All donations are much appreciated, but currently the following items are in short supply: Coffee, Custard, Long Life Milk, Rice, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Veggie Meals (Not Pulses or Beans). You can leave your goods at the back of the church on the table provided. Many Thanks.

HORSHAM COMMUNITY FRIDGE POP UP @ ST JOHN'S - SVP and friends in conjunction with Horsham Community Fridge will host this event in the Church Hall on **Saturday 20th June, 10am - 11am**. The aim of the Community Fridge is to provide people with free good food, saved from incineration or landfill. Everybody is welcome irrespective of their circumstances. To ensure everyone has a choice of food, every adult visitor is welcome to 5 free items of fresh produce plus bread/bakery items. SVP will also serve tea/coffee during this event.

THE SHRINE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION AND ST FRANCIS, WEST GRINSTEAD - On **Saturday 27th June** the parish of Billingshurst & West Grinstead will be celebrating the 150th anniversary of the opening of the Shrine church in West Grinstead. **Mass**, presided by the Most Reverend George Stack, Archbishop Emeritus of Cardiff, will be at **12 noon** with a Reception in the grounds afterwards. Address: Shrine Church of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, Park Lane, West Grinstead RH13 8LT. If you're planning to attend this, please email billingshurst@abdiocese.org.uk, so that they have an idea of numbers for catering purposes. There will be no morning Mass (or Confession) here at St John's on that day.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS - Saturday 3 October, 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral. Whether you are you celebrating a special anniversary or simply giving thanks for your marriage this year, come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. This will be followed by a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. Family and friends are very welcome. To book your free place go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events/.

LIVE SIMPLY “Live simply so others may simply live”

WEST SUSSEX RECYCLES is a new page on the County Council's website which contains lots of information about waste collections, recycling and the new food waste collections. It includes the very useful A-Z of Recycling where you can check if you're not sure if an item can be recycled or not. Visit the page (and bookmark it!) here: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/land-waste-and-housing/waste-and-recycling/recycling-and-waste-prevention/household-collections/preparing-your-household-recycling/>.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

THE COLLECT

O God, strength of those who hope in you, graciously hear our pleas, and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you by our resolve and our deeds. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

FIRST READING (Book of Exodus 19:2-6a)

In those days: The people of Israel came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: "You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."' "

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Serve the LORD with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the LORD, is God.
He made us; we belong to him.
We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the LORD,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R**

SECOND READING (Letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:6-11)

Brothers and Sisters: While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person — though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. The kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel. Alleluia.

GOSPEL (Matthew 9:36-10:8)

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon, who is

called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the offerings presented here provide for the twofold needs of human nature, nourishing us with food and renewing us with your Sacrament, grant, we pray, that the sustenance they provide may not fail us in body or in spirit. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As this reception of your Holy Communion, O Lord, foreshadows the union of the faithful in you, so may it bring about unity in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

LET US PRAY FOR

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK INCLUDING

Celia Longley, Paul Wycliffe, Charlotte Curson, Edwina Slater,
Tony Sefton, Baby Ruby, Sheila Pike, Bill Hughes,
Geraldine Garvley, Ashley Elliott, Robin Sherfield, Helen Daly,
Pat Danielian, Anne Mullarky, Vilma Marshall,
Carolyn Whitefield, Sheila Budgen, Zoe Keane,
Mark Wiesner, Brian Harris, Shane Campbell,
Laura Rawlinson (Walshe), Grace Khushi, Amanda Molloy,
Jarad Nunns, Gina Partridge, Margaret Georgeson,
Jan Davies, Alan Frendo-Cumbo,
and Katrina Sharpe.

WE PRAY FOR

Josie Kennedy RIP, Craig Boswell RIP, Rosina Ricca RIP,
Geoff Weaving RIP, Bruno Francisci RIP, and ALL HOLY SOULS.

COLLECTIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR
THE DAY FOR LIFE
(not eligible for diocesan gift aid envelopes).**

COFFEE AFTER 9:15 AM MASS HOST

NO COFFEE AFTER MASS.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Reading 1 - Prophet Jeremiah 20:10-13
Psalm - Prophet Jeremiah 20:10-13
Reading 2 - Letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:12-15
Gospel - Matthew 10:26-33