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19th April 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

Year A

## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

*Alleluia, alleluia. Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn within us when you speak to us. Alleluia.*

### From Deacon Simon

How come the disciples did not recognise Jesus? They were so close to him, they heard him speak, they heard him explain things, probably in the same way that He had explained things in the recent past; or were they too busy chatting about what had happened to them, too wrapped up in their own difficulties?

But Jesus did something that was unmistakable. "He took the bread and said the blessing; then He broke it and handed it to them"; and at this moment when they received their first Holy Communion their eyes were opened.

Even today an encounter with the wounded Christ can still has the power to transform. The example that springs to mind is Sr. Theresa of Calcutta whose encounter with the wounded Christ, present in the poor and the homeless of India, transformed her life and transformed the lives of the people that she was able to help.

This raises several difficult questions. Is the wounded Christ present here today in Adur Valley? If so where and in whom? And most worryingly am I too wrapped up in my own difficulties, too busy chatting about me and my problems, that I fail to recognise Jesus in the poor and the homeless?

Let us pray that in receiving Holy Communion this weekend our eyes and our hearts are opened to the wounded Christ, who can transform our lives and help us to transform the lives of those who need His help.

With my prayers for you all,  
Deacon Simon

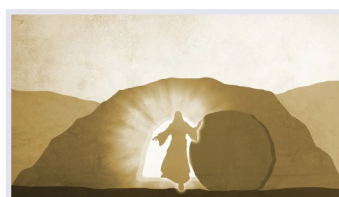
## Third Sunday of Easter

## Mass Intention

Sat 18 Apr	10.00	SP	Mass & Rosary	Kathleen McAllister RIP
Sat 18 April	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	For all Parishioners
Sun 19 Apr	09.00	SP	Mass	Michael Strudwick RIP
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Gary Callaghan RIP
Mon 20 Apr	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Monday after the 3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	09.30	SP	Mass & Rosary	Friar Joseph Therese RIP
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	Zoom	Rosary	
Tue 21 Apr	09.30	CTK	Rosary	
<i>Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday of Easter (Saint Anselm)</i>	10.00	CTK	Mass	Heather Prescott RIP
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 22 Apr	16.30	TT	Mass	
Thur 23 Apr	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Saint George</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	Ints of Ann Olliver
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	SP	Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
Fri 24 Apr	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Friday after the 3rd Sunday of Easter (Saint Fidelis)</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	Wellbeing of Maureen Cully
	10.00	SP	Adoration & Confessions	
	15.00	Zoom	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>with Stations of the Cross</i>	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Sat 25 Apr	10.00	SP	Mass	Good health of Lavinia Jordan
<i>Saint Mark</i>	10.30	SP	Rosary	

## Fourth 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter

Sat 25 April	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	For all Parishioners
Sun 26 Apr	09.00	SP	Mass	Ints of Michael & Patricia Glancy
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Ints of Allen & O'Sullivan Families



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Parish Office open Thursdays 09.00—13.00

CTK | Christ the King, Steyning, BN44 3PB

Please email/telephone to book an appointment at other times.

TT | The Towers Convent, Upper Beeding, BN44 3TF

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PARISH NEWS

PRAYER INTENTIONS, EVENTS, NOTICES

Please continue to bring your personal prayer intentions to the Prayer Boxes at SP and CTK. These prayer intentions will next be offered at the mass on Friday 1st May.

Please pray for Vince Neal RIP who has died recently. His Funeral will be at St George's in Hangleton. Please also pray for his family. May he rest in peace.

Please also pray for PEACE, for the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, vocations, enquirers to Catholicism, our First Holy Communion children and families, our Confirmation candidates, the Baptised, and the cycle of prayer for Eastertide.

From Right to Life

Let us pray for all those who care for people with disabilities, including family members and professionals, that the Lord would revive their spirits and that they would get the necessary respite care they require to relieve body and mind.

From Father Tony

Thank you to the parish for a most generous Easter gift. It is greatly appreciated.

Sat 18	SP, 9.30am: First Holy Communion children's session 5
Sun 19	SP Mass and afterwards in the Parish Room: Celebration of recent Baptisms in our parish. 4.30pm Prayer for the dignity of Human Life
Mon 20	SP Parish Room, 1.30pm: SVP Meeting
Thur 23	SP Parish Room, 10.00pm: Coffee pop-in
Sat 25	OLQP Bible Study group
Sun 26	Day of Prayer for Vocations 2 <sup>nd</sup> collection for education of future priests

Welcome to any newcomers or visitors to our Parish

Eastertide is a great place to start or come back to a faith journey. Do you have questions? Maybe it is useful for you to know that no one has all the answers. God does. We are all growing in faith, day by day. God bless you.

Celebration of Baptism in our Parish

This Sunday we welcome families who have had Baptisms in our parish in recent years.

All are welcome to the Parish Room on Sunday after mass to come together for refreshments and celebrate this special sacrament. If you are interested in finding out more about Baptism or any of the sacraments, come along and speak to Deacon Simon or Father Graham.



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Holy Hour for the Dignity of Human Life

This Holy Hour has been arranged to take place at 5.30pm (Rome time) on the Sunday afternoon of the Spring Plenary of the Bishops' Conference (19 April). We can unite ourselves with the prayer of the Bishops (4.30pm UK Time) wherever we are. More details can be found at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/holy-hour-for-the-dignity-of-life/>.

From YouCat Daily

104: Can you be a Christian without believing in the Resurrection of Christ? No. "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain" (1 Cor 15,14). (631, 638, 651)

Mass for World Peace

Friday 29 May 6.30pm, English Martyrs Catholic Church, Goring-by-Sea, BN12 4UH. People across our community of faith are invited to join Worthing Deanery Justice & Peace Group and pray for peace in our world. The Mass, celebrated by Fr Liam O'Connor, will offer an opportunity to pray for all those impacted by war, and for healing. All are welcome, there is no need to book.

Come and visit our Easter Garden at St Peter's

Our thanks go to one of our very talented parishioners, who has created this beautiful display, depicting the tomb of our Lord. We encourage you to come and spend some time here. We have some cards listing some of the important details to look for. Please take one away with you.



Saint Teresa of Avila, on mental prayer...

When I fast, I fast; and when I eat partridge, I eat partridge!