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12th July 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Alleluia, alleluia. The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower; all who find him will live for ever. Alleluia.

From Father Graham

We still have a little time to wait for our new Bishop to arrive in the Autumn, Like the whole of creation we have been "groaning inwardly" for the revealing of our new apostle and shepherd who will lead us in the way of the Good Shepherd.

Fr Stephen has a heart for sharing the gospel of Jesus. In today's Gospel Jesus speaks of sowing seed: "A sower went out to sow". That is what a sower does. The Church spreads the news about Jesus, like a sower. This is what the Church does, it is who we are. The sowing of seed doesn't seem efficient or even planned. There seems to be a lot of waste and disappointment. But the seed that does grow bears fruit abundantly.

Bishop-Elect Stephen seems to recognise this. In an interview recently he said, "As a Church, we need to have a big heart and open doors, and a flexibility. This might not be tidy. We have to take seriously the questions people are asking and be prepared to enter into those questions and offer them the wisdom of the Church and of the scriptures."

We try to do this but as a parish we need to remind ourselves constantly why we are here. We do not exist for ourselves but for Him who has given us new life. We cannot keep Him to ourselves. We must continue to sow the seeds of the gospel in old and new ways that others might receive eternal life. It is not tidy.

May God bless you. With my prayer for you everyday.

Fr Graham

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention

Sat 11 July	10.00	SP	Mass & Rosary	David Gozal RIP
Sat 11 July	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	For all Parishioners
Sun 12 July	09.00	SP	Mass	Ints of Grainne Byrd
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Gill Ness-Collins RIP
Mon 13 July	09.00	SP	Adoration	Private Intention
<i>Feria (Saint Henry)</i>	09.30	SP	Mass & Rosary	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	Zoom	Rosary	
Tue 14 July	09.30	CTK	Rosary	World Apostolate of Fatima
<i>Feria (Saint Camillus)</i>	10.00	CTK	Mass	
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	14.00	Sch	Leavers' Mass at St Peter's School	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 15 July	16.30	TT	Mass	
Thu 16 July	09.00	SP	Adoration	Ints of Christopher Wood
<i>Feria (Our Lady of Mount Carmel)</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	SP	Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
Fri 17 July	09.30	SP	Mass	Michael Owens RIP
	10.00	SP	Adoration (no Confessions)	
	15.00	Zoom	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>with Stations of the Cross</i>	
	16.30	TT	Mass	

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 18 July	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	For all Parishioners
Sun 19 July	09.00	SP	Mass	Ints of Lianna Burrows & family
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Mike Mercer RIP



"There are many challenges ahead, but I am full of hope. I've seen so many times what God can do when people pray and work together, and when they put their trust in him. If we listen to one another, and to the Lord, then he will show us the way forward."

Bishop-Elect Stephen on being appointed as the next Bishop of Arundel & Brighton.

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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 usually be offered at the First Friday mass of the month.

Please pray for the soul of Patricia (Tricia) Calver RIP of CTK. Requiem Mass at CTK on Tuesday 21st July at 12.00pm. May she rest in peace.

Please pray for all the Year 6 leavers at St Peter's School. Mass at 2pm on Tuesday.

Please also pray for PEACE, for the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, vocations, enquirers to Catholicism, our 1st HC children and families, our Confirmation candidates, the cycle of Prayer for Ordinary Time (summer) and Bishop-Elect Stephen.

Sat 11	No OLQP Bible Film Group. We will next meet in September.
Sun 12	Sea Sunday 2nd Collection: Stella Maris
Thur 16	SP Parish Room, 10.00am: Coffee pop-in
Sat 18	No mass today at SP
Sun 19	2nd Collection: CAFOD-DEC Venezuelan Earthquake appeal

SVP Summer Foodbank Campaign



Thank you to all who have donated to our Summer Foodbank Campaign. Here are the categories for the next few weeks:

5 & 12 July – **Getting Ready for Summer:** plasters, wipes, suncream etc

19 & 26 July – **Picnic Time:** cartons of juice, snack bars, and similar items

2 & 9 August – **Home for Tea:** tinned meals, pasta, rice, etc

Welcome to any newcomers or visitors to our Parish

Where are you on your 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.

If you are new to our parish, please complete one of our registration forms, which you can find in the church porch.

Sea Sunday: 12th July 2026

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is 12th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting "SEA" to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.



STELLA MARIS

If you want to learn more about the work of Stella Maris, particularly during the closure of the Strait of Hormuz, please pick up an information sheet at the back of the church. We also have Gift Aid envelopes.

From YouCat Daily

<https://www.youcat.org/daily>

305: Is being Christian a private matter?

No one can be a Christian merely for his own benefit. Coming to Jesus, seeking his friendship, and following him also means publicly professing faith in him, allowing him to speak to us and commission us.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house" (Mt 5,14–15). All of us who have been baptised and confirmed—even when we have not been specially commissioned to do so as a priest, deacon, catechist, or religion teacher—are "messengers" and "witnesses" of the Gospel. "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation" (Mk 16,15), and "make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Mt 28,19). So that we might proclaim the Kingdom of God (and not ourselves) in word and deed, God gives us the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.

From CAFOD

You can help our neighbours affected by the 24 June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives.

Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: www.cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030. Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers.

We will be having a 2nd Collection next weekend (18/19th July) for this appeal.

Bishop-Elect Stephen Wang

You can watch a video message on the Diocesan website here: [Pope Leo XIV appoints Fr Stephen Wang as new Bishop of Arundel & Brighton | News](#)

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