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9th August 2026

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH



Welcome
BISHOP-ELECT
STEPHEN WANG

Prayer for Bishop-Elect Stephen

O God, eternal and loving Shepherd, we bless and thank you for the appointment of your servant, Stephen, to our Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

May your Holy Spirit grace him with a spirit of counsel and fortitude, a spirit of knowledge and piety, so that he may gently and courageously sanctify, teach and govern the Church of Arundel and Brighton as we work together to build up the kingdom of heaven.

May he be a shepherd after your own heart, who, with compassion and wise discernment, will care for and lead your people with the joy of the Gospel.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings: 19th Sunday in OT A

1st Reading 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

Psalms 85(84): 9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14, R8

2nd Reading Romans 9:1-5

Gospel Matthew 14:22-33

To see the readings for the coming week visit www.universalis.com.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention

Sat 8 Aug	10.00	SP	Mass & Rosary	Ints of Louise Comaschi
Sat 8 Aug	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass (for Sunday)	For all Parishioners
Sun 9 Aug	09.00	SP	Mass	Michael Strudwick RIP
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Jude Green RIP
Mon 10 Aug	09.00	SP	Adoration	
St Lawrence	09.30	SP	Mass	Gerard Kielty RIP
	10.00	SP	Rosary	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Tue 11 Aug	09.30	CTK	Rosary	
St Clare	10.00	CTK	Mass	Victor-Hugo Zapata Chica RIP
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 12 Aug	16.30	TT	Mass	
Thu 13 Aug	09.00	SP	Adoration	
Feria	09.30	SP	Mass	World Apostolate of Fatima
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Fri 14 Aug	09.30	SP	Mass	Cyril Adelaide RIP
St Maximilian Kolbe	10.00	SP	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Sat 15 Aug	10.00	SP	Mass	Dorothy & Leslie Wood RIP
	10.30	SP	Rosary	
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary				
Sat 15 Aug	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass (for Sunday)	For all Parishioners
Sun 16 Aug	09.00	SP	Mass	Ints of Grainne Byrd
	11.00	CTK	Mass	Bronislaw & Halina Swiatkowska RIP
Mon 17 Aug	09.00	SP	Adoration	
Feria	09.30	SP	Mass	Bessie & Harry Donegan RIP
	10.00	SP	Rosary	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Tue 18 Aug	09.30	CTK	Rosary	
Feria	10.00	CTK	Mass	Kathleen Nesta Bennet RIP
	16.30	TT	Mass	

SP | St Peter's Shoreham, BN43 5WG

CTK | Christ the King, Steyning, BN44 3PB

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

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Parish Office open Thursdays 09.00—13.00

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



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 be offered at the next First Friday mass.

Please pray for the soul of Carol Labelle RIP, who died recently. May she rest in peace.

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.

From Right to Life

On Friday, we celebrate the feast of St Maximilian Kolbe, patron saint of the pro-life movement. We ask for his intercession as we, the church, seek to support all pregnant mothers through their pregnancies, and that we would become models of support and charity to all in society.

Fri 7 Aug	SP, 9.30am: First Friday Mass for the parish prayer intentions Divine Mercy Chapel, 4.00-5.00pm: Prayers for peace
Mon 10 Aug	Please note our online prayer groups will resume in September.

SVP Summer Foodbank Campaign

Thank you to all who have donated to our Summer Foodbank Campaign. Here is the category for this week:

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.

We have a group, 'Come & See', for people to come and discuss faith and ask questions in an informal setting. Sessions will resume again in September. All are welcome.

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

Saint Carlo Acutis Exhibition: 17 October – 1 November 2026, St Peter's

Please save the dates. We will welcome the Relics Tour and Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition of Blessed Carlo Acutis, in the Parish Room at St Peter's this autumn. More details soon.

Ecumenical Lunch Club in Steyning

Usually held every 2nd Monday of the month, come along to the Methodist church between 12 and 2pm. Next date: Monday 10th August 2026.

Pilgrimage Walk in the Steps of St Wilfrid

On Saturday 19 September 11am to 4pm, all welcome for a reflective pilgrimage walk from Selsey to the medieval church at Church Norton, where St Wilfrid set up his mission to the people of Sussex. Walk and pray through beautiful shoreline countryside. Meet at 11am at Our Lady and St Wilfrid Church, 12 Church Road Selsey PO20 0LS. The walk is about 5 miles over uneven footpaths. Please bring a packed lunch. The day concludes with tea, refreshments and discussion in the church hall in Selsey. See www.sussexpilgrimage.com for further details or phone Maria on 07413 267267.

Mobile Phones to Donate

Do you have an old mobile phone surplus to your needs? If so, please consider donating it to a parish in Ghana.

My close friend Fr. Gregory from Ghana is in the UK supplying holiday cover. He re-purposes mobile phones, giving them to people in remote parts of Ghana so they can make contact in an emergency, (spiritual or physical). Battery condition does not matter but they should have the sim card removed and be reset to factory default which wipes them clean, (I can help with this).

I can collect them from St. Peters Shoreham, Christ the King Steyning or The Towers between now and September 6th. Many thanks Deacon Simon.



From Bishop-Elect Stephen Wang

Christopher Nolan's The Odyssey has captivated audiences with its epic retelling of Homer's timeless story—but what can Catholics learn from it? In this reflection, Fr Stephen Wang shares his thoughts on Christopher Nolan's The Odyssey and explores the deeper spiritual themes behind Odysseus' journey. Drawing on the Gospel and the teachings of Jesus, he reflects on glory, home and what it truly means to follow God's call.

[Christopher Nolan's 'The Odyssey' Has a Powerful Lesson for Catholics](#)

(If the link doesn't work, search Catholic Truth Society on YouTube)

