

# Our Lady & the Saints of Sussex

## Corpus Christi

### 11th June 2023



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Today, we offer Bishop Richard's reflection for this weekend. If you would like to receive a weekly reflection from our Bishop along with news from the Diocese, sign up at: [The Catholic Diocese of Arundel & Brighton \(list-manage.com\)](https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/list-manage.com)

Dear brothers and sisters,

We celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi this Sunday, but we have the tradition in this Diocese of also celebrating the gift of the Eucharist on the Thursday, as used to be the case. This provides the opportunity for, as it were, a double celebration – at the Cathedral where the Carpet of Flowers has been a tradition since the days of Duke Henry, the founder of the Cathedral – and in our parish communities on Sunday. This year, the Carpet of Flowers reflects the 150th Anniversary of the Cathedral, the Mother Church of the Diocese since 1965 and a sign of faith, standing above the town of Arundel since 1873.

The Eucharist is the high point of our lives. It is thanksgiving – The Thanksgiving. It is the Sacrifice of Calvary, the once-and-for-all sacrifice through which our Saviour saved us from sin – made present every time the Mass is celebrated. It is the Lord's gift of Himself, first given at the Last Supper when He commanded us to 'do this in memory of me.' The Blessed Sacrament, then, is the Real Presence. Like the disciples at Emmaus, we 'recognise Him in the breaking of bread' – the bread that is become the Body of Christ, the Wine that is become the Blood of Christ. As we receive Him, we are at one with Him and because we are at one with Him, we are one with each other. This is the reality we celebrate on this great feast. It is from this celebration that we are sent forth to bring to the world around us the message that the Lord has died and is risen, the message that is the Good News for the world. The Eucharist is, therefore, the fount of our mission as Christ's people. The Lord gives us Himself that we might bring Him to others. May this Corpus Christi celebration – at our Cathedral and in our parishes – bring us to focus once more on all the Lord has done for us, on his giving of Himself to us in this wonderful sacrament and on the mission that flows from our union with Him.

With every blessing, + Richard

### Corpus Christi (11 June)

**First reading** Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

*He fed you with manna, which neither you nor your fathers had known*

**Psalms** 147 *O praise the Lord, Jerusalem*

**Second reading** 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

*That there is only one loaf means that, though we are many, we form one body*

### Sequence

**Gospel Acclamation** *Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord, Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!*

**Gospel** John 6:51-58

*My flesh is real food and my real blood is real drink*

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### Patronal Feast Day Mass at Chichester Cathedral for St Richard's Day

On Thursday 15th June at 10.30am. Our whole parish is welcome to come to Chichester Cathedral to celebrate the Patronal Feast day of St Richard. The Dean of the Cathedral, Canon Simon Holland will be welcoming us, and we will be joined by the children of St Richard's primary school. (Please note this is not the actual patronal feast day of St Richard which is on 16th June)

### Holy Hour to Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm in St Peter's church, East Wittering, there will be a service of music, readings, and prayers, led by Fr Tom for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. There is a critical shortage of priests and so we invite you to come along to pray to the 'Lord of the Harvest to send more labourers to His harvest'. [Lk 10:2]

### Confirmation

On Monday 11th June we celebrate the joyful occasion of the confirmation of Luke Sharp at St Richard's Church. Bishop Richard has authorised Fr David to administer this sacrament which will be at the 12.15 mass. All are most welcome.

**Tuesday Group, 10.45am, Bosham** (follows Adoration and 10am Mass). Exploring our faith: Bishop Barron on the meaning of Ascension and Pentecost. All most welcome for refreshments and friendly discussion.

### Congratulations...

to the following children in our parish who are celebrating their First Holy Communion this Sunday on The Feast of Corpus Christi:

**Abiel, Amelie, Ava, Alma, Eabha, Ella, Emilia, Evelyn, Florence, Joshua, Kimi, May, Olivia, Sylvie and Sylvie.**

We rejoice that over the next three weekends we will have 37 children receiving Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist, in 3 of our churches. This will mean that the 9.30am Mass in particular will be busier than usual, with the extra extended family and friends of the children. Please pray for them and their families on this next stage of their journey in faith.

**Afternoon tea for the bereaved.** Sunday 18th June at 3.00pm at St Peter's hall. Please do come along for companionship and chance a to talk amongst friends.

N.B Just a reminder that The Event which normally takes place on the third Thursday of the month in Bosham will now take place Next Thursday instead due to the St Richard Day celebrations

### Our Parish Offertory

via bank transfer:

Name: Saints of Sussex

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account No: 41076582

Reference: offertory

Via cheque made payable to:

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**[www.saintsofsussex.com/regular-giving.html](http://www.saintsofsussex.com/regular-giving.html)**



### Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex Offertory collections and other fund raising

Offertory*	April 2023
<b>Cash/Cheques/Envelopes</b>	
Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex	£5,106
<b>Bankers Orders</b>	£7,727
<b>Credit and debit card transactions</b>	£656
<b>Total</b>	<b>£13,489</b>
<b>Gift Aid Rebate</b>	<b>£0</b>

\*These figures do not include the Easter offerings for the Parish clergy In addition, generous donations in March totalled £832 for Holy Places, £435 for Sanctuary, £782 for the Education of Future Priests and £120 for Father Joe. Donations for Ukraine are still very welcome. Please remember to gift aid your donations if you are eligible. Thank you all for your continuing generosity.

### **Black Sheep Barn garden opening**

Jim Buckland and Sarah Wain write: "Many thanks to all of you who supported our garden opening last Sunday. Thanks to you the day was a great success and we generated £1444.25 to add to the Heating Fund. A good time seemed to be had by all and now I don't have to do any gardening for a week or two!"

It was a memorable and most enjoyable day. We are most grateful to Jim and Sarah for opening their garden and for the delicious tea and cakes. Many thanks to the many parishioners who gave their support—it was an excellent turnout.

### **Save the dates (more details to follow)**

#### **2nd July**

Our Parish Day Mass will be held at 11am on Sunday 2nd July on the St Richard's School Field.

#### **5th August**

St Peter's Annual Summer Fete will be held on 5th August from 12pm.

### **Catechists' Day – Saturday 23 September at 11am at Worth School**

A day of formation, prayer and conversation for existing catechists, those thinking of becoming a catechist and those who might need a little encouragement to consider this ministry. If you are involved or interested in working with Children's Liturgy, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage or RCIA, you are very welcome to come along. The doors will be open from 10.30am for refreshments, with the programme beginning at 11am. We aim to finish at around 4pm. For more information, please contact Dc Jon [Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk) Register your place here : [abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/](http://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/)

'Prayer Springs Eternal', an overview of the Communion of Saints, is the title of a book published by Richard France, a parishioner at St. Richard's. It is on sale in the repository in the church porch, price £8.

**St Philip Howard Catholic School** is currently recruiting for a Learning Support Assistant and Curriculum Support Tutor. If you want to contribute to the education and life-chances of our young people, and want to join a strong and supportive staff, we'd love to hear from you. All the details of our vacancies can be found on our website ([www.sphcs.co.uk](http://www.sphcs.co.uk)).

**Please pray for our sick parishioners:** Adrian Stringer, Agnes Martin, Anthony Nageon De Lestang, David Mortby, David Owgan, David White, Eamonn Hackett, Frank O'Donnell, Gerald McGregor, Gerry Beurgoyne, Jean Thorpe, Jenny Edwards, Jill Serna, Hilary Huffell, Kinga Buckley, Lois Bleasdale, Magda and Carlo Gallanti, Margaret Beazley, Mary Eveleigh, Max Foreshow, Nell Hassett, Nicola & Rene Coutts, Nick Jarman, Patrick Hill, Paul Carney, Peter Habgood, Rita Rooke, Roz Davies, Susan Line, Suzie Walker, Valerie Davis-White, Virginia Maxwell  
*Please let the office know of any changes*

### **Pop-in Prayers at Our Lady, Bosham**

Starting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June, a new parish group will be getting together on the second Monday of the month at 2.30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption to read the Gospel of the day followed by a brief meditation, personal prayers of intercession and five decades of the Rosary, accompanied by music and song. A lovely opportunity to pray together and enjoy each other's company with refreshments afterwards. Do come if you can!

### **Are you going to Lourdes this year with the A&B Diocese?**

If so can you let Fr Tom and Fr David know via the Parish office? And what flights you are on. We will try to coordinate lifts to and from the airport.

### **KSC Race Night Friday**

23rd June at 7.30pm in the St Richard's School Hall

Adults £8 Fish and chips

Children £6 Chicken nuggets, sausage or fish cake (all with chips)

Contact Ray Webb on 01243 788803 or 07766272820 or email [rayfwebb1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rayfwebb1@yahoo.co.uk)

Fun for all the family - with wooden horses.

No tickets needed but please call in advance to reserve your meal and to give us an idea of numbers

Proceeds to KSC charities.

### **St Peter's Jumble Sale**

Saturday 24th June at 2pm in the St Peter's Parish Hall.

Donations and help welcome, contact Sylvie on 07948826339

Plenty of parking available.

### **Oaklands, Waterlooville is currently recruiting Learning Support Assistants – Numerous roles**

We have vacancies for 3 LSA's 30-35 hours a week on C1 or numerous part-time roles of 18 hours a week on B1. The successful candidates will provide a range of services to support the students with Special Educational Needs

Flexibility considered, days/hours to be discussed at interview stage. **Closing Date:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023, noon

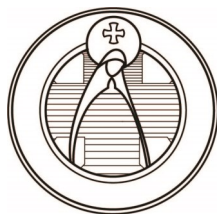
For more information or to apply please visit our website:

<https://www.oaklandscatholicsschool.org/staff/vacancies/>

## Masses and services

Date	Church	Time	online	Mass Intention
Sat 10 June	Chichester	8am		Wellbeing of Andrea Wiley
	Chichester	12.30pm		Wedding: Natalie Donaldson and Oliver Hall
	Chichester	6pm	✓	Intentions of Joshua Featherstone (E Chiles)
<b>Sun 11 June</b> <b>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	Witterings	9am		People of the Parish
	Chichester	9.30am	✓	Rosemary Cramp RIP (R.Harrison)
	Selsey	11am		Cyril Wass RIP
	Bosham	11.30am		Deacon David Boyd RIP
	Chichester	6.30pm		Luz Amplayo RIP
Mon 12 June	Chichester	8am		Holy Souls (Madonna and Rachel)
	Chichester	12.15pm		For Luke Sharp's intentions at his Confirmation
Tues 13 June St Anthony of Padua	Chichester	8am		Eddy and Emmy Roblin RIP (Richard France)
	Bosham	10am		
Wed 14 June	Chichester	8am		Holy Souls (Madonna and Rachel)
	Selsey	10am		
	Chichester	7pm		Intentions of Katherine Shrubbs
Thur 15 June <b>St Richard of Chichester</b>	Chichester	8am		Holy Souls (Madonna and Rachel)
	Chichester Cathedral	10.30am		
Friday 16 Jun <b>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	Chichester	8am		
	Witterings	10am		
Sat 17 June <i>The Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	Chichester	8am		Steve Edwards RIP
	Chichester	6pm	✓	
<b>Sun 18 June</b> <b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Witterings	9am		
	Chichester	9.30am	✓	Victims of a car crash in N.Ireland RIP (McKane Family)
	Selsey	11am		For the intentions of Father Tom
	Bosham	11.30am		For the intentions of Fr David
	Chichester	6.30pm		People of the Parish

	Confessions	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Bosham</b>	Tuesdays 9.30 – 10am;	Tuesdays 9.30 – 10am,
<b>Chichester</b>	Sat after 6pm Mass; Sunday after the 6.30pm Mass Wednesdays 10-11am and 6-7pm	Wednesday from 8.30am – 9pm
<b>Selsey</b>	Wednesdays 9.30-10am	Wednesdays 9.30-10am
<b>Witterings</b>	Fridays 9.30-10am	Wednesdays 9.00-12noon



*We look to develop the Catholic faith of the community of Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex,  
to proclaim the Good News and to embrace all who seek the Lord.*