

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A) - 18th January 2026

Please keep Fr Tony in your prayers, following his admission to hospital on Christmas Day for serious emergency surgery. We continue to pray for his swift recovery, comfort, and for the medical team guiding his care. May he feel the support of our parish community during this time. Please see the parish newsletter and website for any updates. If you have any concerns please contact the parish office during normal working hours.

Fr Tony has written to express his tremendous thanks for all the prayers and expressions of concern that have been flooding in from all over the parish and beyond. Special thanks to all those who have come forward at such short notice, and most particularly to Deacon Tim for stepping into the breach for the Christmas morning services, and our office staff, Catherine and Clare, Pete our Chair of Finance, and many others all of whom have rallied together to keep things going. Thanks also Fr Richard and clergy both local and further afield who have helped out at short notice to ensure the smooth cover of the Masses in the parish, and also to our diocesan support staff working in the background to help our parish at this time.

Fr Tony has asked that a team come into being to manage the day-to-day life of the parish in his absence. Pete Jones (Chair of Finance) will act as chair of the group guiding their work together, with Dcn Tim able to offer support within the group concerning the central Liturgical life of the parish. Clare, our recently appointed Senior Parish Manager, will continue to develop the systems in administration and compliance with our Diocesan Requirements, Catherine, our Parish Secretary, will lead on day-to-day queries and administration, and Geraldine, who has a good overview of every day things. Mgr Tony Barry (previously Episcopal vicar for Surrey) will continue to act as a reference point for the group when needed.

Please bear in mind the group is made of volunteers and office staff, much in need of prayer so as to be of service to the parish. The group will keep things going, but the real life of the parish shouldn't be too different as each of us tries to bring the holiness of God to the people around us in this part of the World.

The PNL Cafe will be open every Wednesday and Friday for tea and coffee from 10.30am. Everyone is welcome.

Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word: on Sat 24th Jan from 11am-4pm at St Michael's Church, High Salvington, Worthing BN13 3AL Led by Bishop Richard and Catherine Christmas, Liturgy and Music Adviser. To book please go to the Events of the diocesan website or <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/xqparv5>

PNL Book+Circle: We have chosen "What Are We Waiting For? Finding Meaning in Advent and Christmas" by Richard Leonard SJ for our Advent and Christmastide reading. It's a small book of 100 pages so maybe a great way to launch into some spiritual reading. Please join us on Fri 6th Feb 10.30am in the Meeting Rm at St Joseph's for coffee and to chat about the book.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Bishop Richard's Ministry in Arundel & Brighton, 30th January, 6.30pm, Arundel Cathedral. Archbishop-Elect Richard will celebrate this Mass, which will be followed by a reception in the Baron's Hall, Arundel Castle, by kind permission of His Grace, the Duke of Norfolk. We have 17 places available for our parish on a first come first served basis. If you would like to attend please email the parish office.

Parish Sunday Lunch Thank you to the Syro Malabar Community for a wonderful lunch last weekend which was enjoyed by over 90 people. Our next Parish Lunch will today Sunday 8th February 2026.

Justice & Peace: The latest Justice & Peace Newsletter, January 2026 is now available on the Parish website under NEWS. Some paper copies will be available at the back of the churches next weekend.

Confirmation Programme 2026 If your child is in yr 10 or above and would like to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year then please email the team at confpnl@gmail.com for more information and a consent form. The deadline is 15th February.

Car Park at Holy Family An item found in the Holy Family carpark has been handed in.- if you think you may have lost something please contact the parish office.

Next UCM Meeting - Wednesday 28th January AGM at St. Teresa 7:30pm.

HCPT Cake Sale Group 117 would like to thank all who bought cakes and gave donations.. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and it raised over £800 which is close to being the fare for one child. We will pray for everyone in our parish in Lourdes. If you would like individual petitions to be taken with us to the grotto please hand these into the office before Good Friday.

Crib Collection This year all monies donated will go to the Arundel & Brighton Catholic Children's Society Crisis Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

Pax Christi: There will be a second collection this weekend is for Pax Christi. Pope Leo has announced the theme – 'Peace be with you all: Towards an 'unarmed and disarming peace' Pope Leo has continued the exhortation of Pope Francis that the call to live nonviolent 'disarmed' lives is core to Catholic Social Teaching and the key to peace in a world scarred by violent conflict. Thank you for your generous support

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1,290.25
Second Collection this weekend for Pax Christi
Thank you for your support and generosity

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EAST SURREY HOSPITAL

The hospital will not inform the Catholic chaplain, Fr Alban (01293 431703), of your presence in the hospital unless a specific request is made by either yourself or your family for a visit. If you would like a visit from him please ask the hospital staff or contact him directly yourself. If you are going in hospital as a 'Planned Admission' you are encouraged to contact Fr Tony to receive the Sacrament of the Sick prior to your hospital stay.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Pompea Tarsitano, Fr Tony Bridson, Marrion Buck, Michael Leonard, Lizzie Wakeling, Andrew & Mary Wilson, Ron Smales, Lucy Smales, Robert Shave, Mary Hopkins, John McGrath, Annie, Rosa Godlewski, Paul Edwards, Michael Wood, Angela Brett, Mark Dalton, Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, Steven Biczók-Hardy, Tomasina Harman, Zosia, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Chris Bayley, Bridget Steward, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maria Di maculangan, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Damian Poole, Sarah Healy, Sheilanine Barrientos, Kathleen Beckey, Richard Greaves, Claire Chantal, Meli Greaves, and all the sick & housebound of our parish

If you, or someone you know, is sick & housebound and would like to be on our prayer list or to receive Communion please contact the parish office.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

Is 49: 3,5-6; Ps 40; 1 Cor. 1: 1-3; John 1: 29-34

Response: Behold, I have come Lord do your will

Sat 17 Jan **17.30** Nyakallo Mphatlane Taole RIP
St Joseph's
Sun 18 Jan **09.00** Francois Shaby RIP
Holy Family
St Joseph's **11.00** People of the Parish
St Teresa's **17.30** Peter Sharples RIP

Mon 19 Jan **No Mass**

Tue 20 Jan **No Mass**

Wed 21 Jan **No Mass**

Thur 22 Jan **No Mass**

Fri 23 Jan **No Mass**

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

Is 9: 1b-4; Ps 27; 1 Cor. 1: 10-13,17; Mt 4: 12-23.

Response: Behold, I have come Lord do your will

Sat 24 Jan **17.30** Nora Reade's Intention
St Joseph's
Sun 25 Jan **09.00** People of the Parish
Holy Family
St Joseph's **11.00** Jim Howley RIP
St Teresa's **17.30** Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please contact the parish office

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Mon	09.30	Morning Prayer	St Teresa's Church
Tues	19.00	Rosary Group	St Joseph's Church
Wed	10.30	Parents & Toddlers	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
Sat	15.00	Get Together Group	PNL Cafe at St Joseph's
Sun	10.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at Holy Family
Sun	12.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at St Joseph's

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Salvatore D'Amico RIP his Funeral Service will take place Wednesday 28th January at 11am in St Joseph's followed by Cremation at Surrey & Sussex Crematorium

Alison Rose RIP her funeral has not yet been arranged

Alan Harding RIP his funeral has not yet been arranged

Esther Costantino RIP her funeral has not yet been arranged

Please remember them and their families in your prayers