

RC CHURCHES OF MAYFIELD AND WADHURST

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Sunday, 2nd November 2025, All Saints

Mass at 9.00am at Sacred Heart, Wadhurst

Mass at 11am at Mayfield School Chapel

Mayfield School is on half term until 3rd November. Please use both aisles at Mass

Services during the week

Monday 3rd November – All Souls Mass at 7pm in the School Chapel. Parishioners of both churches are encouraged to attend. For those who are unable to attend the evening Mass in Mayfield, Mass will also be offered at Sacred Heart at 10am.

Tuesday 4th November – Holy Half Hour at 6pm in Mayfield School Chapel.

Wednesday 5th November – Mass at 10am at Sacred Heart. Feast day of the Blessed Frances d'Amboise. Confession after Mass or by appointment.

Friday 7th November – Mass at 10am at St Thomas's. Feast day of St Willibrord. Confession after Mass or by appointment. Rosary Group following Mass.

- **First Friday Adoration of the Eucharist at 9am at Sacred Heart.**

Sunday 9th November, Remembrance Sunday – Mass in Mayfield will start at 1130am. The Remembrance Sunday ecumenical service at the War Memorial starts at 1045am

Nourish. The Nourish monthly collection will take place on Sunday. Please see the poster on the last page of the newsletter for a list of desperately needed items. You can also make a cash donation in church or on the Nourish website nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk. Please leave donations at the back of the Churches. Many thanks to all who contributed to the Mayfield Harvest Festival. From the sale of produce we raised about £90 for Nourish.

Concert of Sacred Music, 8 November, 3pm, St John the Baptist Church, Brighton BN2 1AP. Join the Imperial College Chamber Choir for an afternoon concert featuring works by Britten, Pärt, Vera Britten and Howells. Free entry; donations welcome to support the Choir and initiatives for young Brighton musicians.

Volunteer Mass and Supper, on 22nd November at Sacred Heart Wadhurst with Mass at 6pm. A reminder to ensure that you sign up if you would like to go to this event. Please remember, those on special diets and those who may be sensitive to Nigerian food should bring their own food.

Fundraising Concert for Sacred Heart on Saturday November 29th at 7.30pm. Celebrating the 100th anniversary of Gershwin's Piano Concerto in F, Steve Law will perform this work at Sacred Heart Church. All welcome. No ticket required but there will be a retiring collection. The concert will be followed by refreshments.

CAFOD Christmas Coffee Morning, Saturday 13 December. From Sunday 16 November there will be boxes in the School Chapel on Sundays and in St Thomas's during the week for the Bottle Stall and Chocolate Tombola.

Wadhurst 200 club. Winner of September draw is Elaine Warnett, October draw is Nathan Stallion and November draw is Ann Glenney. Congratulations to you all.

Pope Leo declared St John Henry Newman the 38th doctor of the Church on Saturday, recognising his great holiness, learning and wisdom. John Henry Newman was born in London on 21 February 1801. Aged fifteen, he had a religious experience so strong that it would change his life forever. Writing about the experience later, he said: "A great change of thought took place in me. I fell under the influences of a definite Creed ... I believed that the inward conversion of which I was conscious ... would last into the next life, and that I was elected to eternal glory. ... I believe that it had some influence on my opinions ... in isolating me from the objects which surrounded me... and making me rest in the thought of two and two only absolute and luminously self-evident beings, myself and my creator." Pope Leo XIII (1810-1903) admired John Henry Newman's fierce religious orthodoxy and appointed him as a cardinal three decades later, in 1879. The year before he died, John Henry wrote about the journey to sainthood: "Such are the means which God has provided for the creation of the Saint out of the sinner" he said, "it is the very triumph of His grace, that He enters into the heart of man, and persuades it, and prevails with it, while He changes it.'

Parishioner registration on Churchsuite. There are still significant numbers of parishioners who are still to register on Churchsuite. If you haven't registered, please do so by going to <https://sacredheartchurchwadhurst.org.uk/register/>. If you need assistance to register, please speak to a member of the PCC after Mass who will be able to help you.

Event Reminders

Pilgrim Virgin Statue and Fatima Relics, 8 November, Arundel Cathedral. Arundel Cathedral is hosting the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and relics of Ss Jacinta and Francisco. For details go to <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/udvkxhjw> .

Caring for Carers Reflection Day, 8 November, 10.30am-4pm, Douai Abbey, RG7 5TQ (Cost: £20). A Day Retreat, offering opportunities for collective prayer & reflection. The Douai Abbey Autumn Program is at <https://www.douaiabbey.org.uk/pastoral-programme.php?ct=t> .

Diocesan Annual Volunteer Forum, 15 November, 10am-12 noon, online. The popular Volunteer Forum returns with webinars from the Diocese Property, Health & Safety, Finance, and Gift Aid teams. The Property and Health & Safety session will start at 10am, with presentations from our Finance and Gift Aid teams beginning at 11am (both sessions will include news and important updates, with opportunities for Q&A). Please register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_djcmlkUbRoC1dZsSxkXaSA#/registration .

Recurring Notices

Mass Intentions. For anyone wanting to ask for an intention please put in an envelope and hand it in at the end of Sunday Mass. If you would prefer the intention to be private, please state this and Father Raymond will include it in his own Tuesday or Thursday Mass.

Parish Registration. For those new to the Parish and for those who have not yet registered, please register at <https://sacredheartchurchwadhurst.org.uk/register/> in order to receive the Parish Newsletter and news of Parish activities. **If you have any concerns about this process please speak to a member of your Pastoral Council.**

Ministry of the Eucharist. Please would you please let Father Raymond know of anybody who requires Holy Communion at home.

Mothers Prayers. Mothers Prayers in Mayfield are held every Monday after Mass at Virginia Longin's House. The Wadhurst group meets on the second Friday of the month at 9.30. They meet in each other's houses. If you would like to come, please phone Clare on 07857 529690 or email Virginia at longinvirginia@yahoo.com

Lifts to Mass. Lifts to Mass can be arranged for anyone who has difficulty getting to Church. Please let Father Raymond or one of the Welcomers know if you need a lift. Also, please let a Pastoral Committee member know if you are able to offer a lift to someone who lives near you.



We are in desperate need of:

Shopping List

Long-life Milks
Chilli/Sweet & Sour Sauce
Washing Powder Tablets
Baked Beans
Pasta
Tinned Spaghetti
Spreads - Jam, Peanut, Marmite
Tea & Coffee
Biscuits
Tinned Pulses
Tinned Fruit
Rice Pudding
Soup
Toiletries
Noodles
Tinned Potatoes
Tinned Fish
Dog/Cat Food
Household Cleaning Products