

RC CHURCHES OF MAYFIELD & WADHURST

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Father Raymond: HAPPY PENTECOST SUNDAY

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, we are reminded that the same Holy Spirit who descended upon the Apostles is alive and active in us today. May this day fill your hearts with renewed courage, boundless joy, and the unifying grace to share God's love with everyone around you.

Today, we remember the moment the Holy Spirit transformed the fearful Apostles into bold, passionate witnesses of the Gospel. That very same Spirit is poured out upon us today!

In moments when the world feels uncertain or heavy, the Holy Spirit is our ultimate source of strength and comfort. The Advocate, our helper, guide, and comforter, reminds us that we never walk this journey alone.

Let us open our hearts wide to the gifts of the Holy Spirit this Pentecost. May we be inspired to:

- a). Speak the language of love: Communicating kindness, patience, and understanding to all we meet.
- b). Embrace our gifts: Using our unique talents to build up our parish, family and serve those in need.
- c). Walk with renewed hope: Trusting that God's grace is actively moving to renew our lives and our community.

As we leave the doors of our church today, let us go forth with confidence, allowing the fire of the Holy Spirit to burn brightly within us. May this day be a joyful reminder that we are empowered to bring light, peace, and the Good News to Wadhurst, Mayfield and beyond.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed, joyous, and a Spirit-filled Pentecost!

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Fr Raymond celebrating the Mass for Baby and Child Loss on May 16th at Sacred Heart Wadhurst

PARISH NEWS:

Mass for Baby and Child Loss

On May 16th at Sacred Heart Wadhurst, Fr Raymond celebrated the Mass for Baby and Child Loss. This was organised for the parish by our Ministry of Consolation for Mayfield and Wadhurst in response to requests from parishioners after our All Souls Mass in November.

Some parishioners shared photos and names of those they had lost, others remembered loved ones privately and candles were lit during the mass.

The Ministry of Consolation would like to thank all those who prepared the beautiful flowers and contributed to the arrangements for the Mass.

The Ministry can be contacted at moc.wadhurst@abdiocese.org.uk

PENTECOST SUNDAY

This Sunday there will be a final rehearsal of the new Gloria at Sacred Heart Church which we hope to sing once a month starting on Sunday 31st May. Please arrive at 8.45 to take part.

We will be celebrating wearing red and having members of our congregation praying the Bidding Prayers in various languages at Sacred Heart; cakes will be served.

CORPUS CHRISTI 7 June

Sacred Heart 9AM: The school are preparing hymns and readings in celebration of our three children receiving First Holy Communion.

We will begin with a Blessed Sacrament procession and would ask parishioners to arrive early to assemble in the far end of the garden; children will assemble in the sacristy and will be scattering rose petals so please bring your roses.

Solemnity of THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Friday 12th June 6pm

Father Raymond will celebrate Mass at Sacred Heart at 6pm followed by a bring-and-share supper. Please bring a plate of food. All members of Sacred Heart and Mayfield are invited.

WELCOME SPACE 28 May

Sacred Heart Thursday 12.30 – 2.30pm All welcome; lunch provided by volunteers. This week we will be joined by residents from Wadhurst Manor.

Come & Sing Fauré Requiem at Mayfield – All Welcome!

We are delighted to invite you to join us for a *Come and Sing* performance of the Fauré Requiem in the Chapel of Mayfield School on **Saturday 27th June 2026. Rehearsal: 15:00-17:45, Performance: 18:30-19:30**

Mayfield's combined choirs - alongside string ensemble, harp, organ, trumpet, timpani, and two soloists from the Royal Academy of Music - promise a beautiful evening of music.

Singer tickets: £13.50 (free for under 18s), With music hire: £20.50 (£7 under 18s)

Audience tickets: Free (booking recommended due to limited Chapel capacity)

A retiring collection will support music making at Mayfield.

Book your tickets here: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/108693>

Rosary:

After Friday 10am Mass at St Thomas'. Wednesdays Sacred Heart 9.30am.

Mothers Prayers:

Monday after 10am Mass at Virginia Longin's Wadhurst, 2nd Friday of the month.

DIOCESAN NEWS:

Mass for Jubilarian Priests of the Diocese, Thursday 28 May at noon at Arundel Cathedral

All are welcome to join the priests of our Diocese who are celebrating 25, 40, 50 and 60 years of priestly ordination, to give thanks for their years of service at this special Mass in Arundel Cathedral. No booking is required.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass, Saturday 3 October, 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral

Whether you are celebrating a special anniversary or simply giving thanks for your marriage this year, come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. This will be followed by a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. Family and friends are very welcome.

To book your free place go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events

MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY	9am Sacred Heart, <i>PENTECOST</i> 11am Mayfield School Chapel
MONDAY	10am St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield, <i>Feast Day of Mary, Mother of the Church</i>
TUESDAY	6pm Holy Hour in Mayfield School Chapel, <i>Feast Day of St Philip Neri</i>
WEDNESDAY	10am Sacred Heart, <i>Feast Day of St Augustine of Canterbury</i>
THURSDAY	<i>(PRIVATE MASS) Our Lord Jesu Christ the Eternal High Priest</i>
FRIDAY	10am St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield, <i>Feast Day of St Paul VI</i>
SATURDAY	<i>(PRIVATE MASS)</i>

CONFESSIONS:

After Monday, Wednesday or Friday mass or by appointment.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please visit <https://sacredheartchurchwadhurst.org.uk/register/>