Sunday 18th October 2026 (29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

RC CHURCHES OF MAYFIELD & WADHURST

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON

PARISH NEWS:

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP-ELECT STEPHEN (SHORT FILM)
Fr Stephen has recorded a short message reflecting on the last few weeks, sharing his experience of a new bishop's course in Rome, a recent retreat with sisters in the Verbum Dei community on the Isle of Wight, and the significance of the chasuble he will wear on Monday. You can share the film online or in newsletters using the links below:

- Vimeo: https://vimeo.com/1235744831/5f46c5a181 (you don't need the Vimeo App or account)
- YouTube: https://youtu.be/1YhcB7KL0Y4



The film is also available to watch on the A&B website: https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/message

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newsletter submissions:

Deadline for submissions to the parish newsletter is by midnight every Wednesday, as some items come in late and cannot be included in time for the newsletter to be circulated.

SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER. There will be Mass at 6pm at Sacred heart followed by a meal for Parish Volunteers. All welcome to attend the Mass.

MASS FOR ALL SOULS AT SACRED HEART CHURCH, WADHURST AT 6.30PM ON MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2026
Parishioners of Wadhurst and Mayfield and students and staff of Mayfield School are invited to give the names of your deceased loved ones to be prayed for at this All Souls Mass. They will be written down in a book which will be placed near the altar and the names will be read out during the Mass followed by a candle lighting ceremony.
Names can either be emailed to the Ministry of Consolation moc.wadhurst@abdiocese.org.uk by 25th October at the very latest, or look out for members of the Ministry to give them to after mass on 11 th , 18 th and 25 th October. They will have paper available to write the names on.

TODAY (18TH OCTOBER) IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. The Holy Father has chosen the theme 'One in Christ, united in mission' to celebrate 100 years of World Mission Sunday and encourages us to unite with missionaries as they strive to reach out with God's love to communities in need. Please pray for the work of Missio and give what you can to this vital collection. To donate, use the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

CONTACTLESS CARD MACHINE The machine in the Sacred Heart Annexe has now been set up to enable parishioners to indicate whether they are making a payment for the first collection, or another named collection. It is very easy to use but please ask for help if you have any difficulty using it.

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CARDS
Brochures for these and CAFOD's World Gifts are now available at both churches**.**

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS 9am Mass is now live streamed from Sacred Heart Church each Sunday via YouTube. The channel is not a public one, so anyone requiring access should request the link by emailing wadhurst@abdiocese.org.uk.
The channel is live between 9am and 8pm each Sunday. Mass can be viewed at any time during this period by rewinding to the start. Please email the above address if you would like more information.

OUR MAYFIELD SCHOOL WHOLE SCHOOL CHARITY for this year is the Lobular Moon Shot Project, dedicated to researching, understanding and eradicating the scourge that is Lobular Breast Cancer- the second most common type of breast cancer in the UK, which still does not have a recognised treatment pathway.
Lobular breast cancer frequently fails to be detected on a mammogram or by ultra sound. It has no specific treatment based on its unique biology and remains an 'unmet clinical need'. This is due to a lack of investment for further research into the basic biology of the disease.

Year 7 pupils are excited to take part in a sponsored walk on the 23rd October- regardless of the weather!!! The Mayfield circuit is approximately 5km, through woodlands and forests, and girls can look forward to a mug of hot chocolate and a cookie on completion.
Year 07 Sponsored Walk Just Giving Page

All donations will be gratefully received up to and beyond the date of the walk. Please give whatever you can to support this amazing Charity. Cash can also be passed onto Ronan Lavery - School Lay Chaplain.

ROSARY: After Friday Mass at St Thomas' and on Wednesdays at 9.30am at Sacred Heart.

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

MAYFIELD SCHOOL CHAPEL: Parishioners are reminded to leave via the 6th Form centre at the back of the chapel after Sunday Mass.

DIOCESAN/EXTERNAL NEWS:

CHURCH FIRST AID TRAINING AT THE ST PHILIP HOWARD CENTRE, CRAWLEY ON SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER. COST £60
If you are involved in leading a group in your Parish (particularly Sacramental Preparation and would like to complete a first aid course tailored specifically for your needs, then please contact lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk who will send you information about the training taking place at the St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley on 24 October. Basic life support training will be offered, as well as how to respond to allergic reactions and other life-threatening situations. Certificate valid for 3 years.

ONLINE FORUM ON SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER 10AM – NOON
Please save the date for our autumn Finance Forum, open to all members of parish stewardship and finance teams, as well as health & safety representatives. A range of topics, including feedback from the 2025 audit and the latest updates from our insurers, will be covered.

MASS TIMES:
Feast Days/Intentions

SUNDAY	**9am** Sacred Heart
	11am Mayfield School Chapel
MONDAY	**10am** St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield, *Feast Day of St Philip Howard, Co-principal Patron of the Diocese*
TUESDAY	**6pm** Holy Hour in Mayfield School Chapel
WEDNESDAY	**10am** Sacred Heart
THURSDAY	*(PRIVATE MASS), Feast Day of St John Paul II*
FRIDAY	**10am** St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield, *Feast Day of St John of Capistrano*
SATURDAY	*(PRIVATE MASS), Feast Day of St Antony Mary Claret*

CONFESSIONS: After Monday, Wednesday or Friday mass or by appointment.

PARISH REGISTRATION Please visit https://sacredheartchurchwadhurst.org.uk/register/