



**Sunday 16 August 2026**  
**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN**  
**MARY**  
**Solemn Mass 11.00am**

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**Coming up this week**

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| Monday<br>17 August    | Feria<br><i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 9.30am</i>                                                                                                                                            |
| Tuesday<br>18 August   | Feria<br><i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 6.00pm</i>                                                                                                                                            |
| Wednesday<br>19 August | Feria<br>Church open 11.00am-2.00pm<br><b>Mass 11.30am</b>                                                                                                                                 |
| Thursday<br>20 August  | St Bernard, abbot & doctor of the Church<br><i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 12 noon</i>                                                                                                        |
| Friday<br>21 August    | St Pius X, pope<br>Church open 11.00am-2.00pm<br><b>Mass 11.30am</b>                                                                                                                       |
| Saturday<br>22 August  | <b>ST BARTHOLOMEW</b> , apostle ( <i>transferred at St Bart's only</i> )<br>Church open 11.00am-2.00pm<br><b>Mass 11.30am</b><br><i>Solemn Mass at St Bartholomew's, Ann Street 5.00pm</i> |
| Sunday<br>23 August    | <b>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b><br><b>Solemn Mass 11.00am</b><br><i>Isaiah 22:15, 19-23; Psalm 138; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20</i>                                      |

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Welcome to **St Paul's Church**, a parish in the Diocese of Chichester and affiliated to The Society under the patronage of St Wilfrid and St Hilda.

Today's Mass setting is *Missa Brevis in G* by Mozart.

The Mass is offered daily across our parish and our sister parish of St Bartholomew's, Ann Street. Confessions can be heard after any Mass. For enquiries about baptism, marriage or funerals, please contact the Parish Office in the first instance.

We rely on the generosity of those who come here to sustain our life. Please do give so that this may continue to be a place where the love of God is known and shared.

- You can make a donation using the collection plate during the Mass. If you pay Income Tax, please do fill out a yellow Gift Aid envelope for your donation, which enables us to increase the value of your donation by 25% without costing you anything.
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Please do take this booklet away with you to keep up-to-date with all that is happening here. Our fellowship continues after Mass with refreshments served in the Fishermen's Vestry.

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¶ *Before the Mass, we keep a prayerful atmosphere in church. We stand when the bell is rung.*

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

**HYMN: NEH 185**

1. SING we of the blessèd Mother  
Who received the angel's word,  
And obedient to his summons  
Bore in love the infant Lord;  
Sing we of the joys of Mary  
At whose breast that child was fed  
Who is Son of God eternal  
And the everlasting Bread.
2. Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,  
Of the sword that pierced her through,  
When beneath the cross of Jesus  
She his weight of suffering knew,  
Looked upon her Son and Saviour  
Reigning high on Calvary's tree,  
Saw the price of man's redemption  
Paid to set the sinner free.
3. Sing again the joys of Mary  
When she saw the risen Lord,  
And in prayer with Christ's apostles.  
Waited on his promised word:  
From on high the blazing glory  
Of the Spirit's presence came,  
Heavenly breath of God's own being,  
Manifest through wind and flame.
4. Sing the chiefest joy of Mary  
When on earth her work was done,  
And the Lord of all creation  
Brought her to his heavenly home:  
Virgin Mother, Mary blessèd,  
Raised on high and crowned with grace,  
May your Son, the world's redeemer,  
Grant us all to see his face.

*The Entrance Antiphon is sung by the choir.*

## THE GREETING

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

*The Priest welcomes the faithful to the Mass, invites them to the Penitential Act and blesses the water as we recall our baptism.*

*During the sprinkling the Asperges me is sung:*

Thou shalt purge me,  
**O Lord, with hyssop and I shall be clean.**  
**Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

Have mercy upon me, O God:  
**After thy great goodness.**  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:**  
**world without end. Amen.**

**Thou shalt purge me, O Lord...**

*The absolution by the Priest follows:*

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,  
and through the celebration of this Eucharist  
make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom.  
**Amen.**

*Lord, have mercy;*  
*Christ, have mercy;*  
*Lord, have mercy.*

## THE GLORIA

¶ *We sit after the opening phrase has been sung.*

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,*  
*we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,*  
*you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;*  
*you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

¶ *We stand to pray.*

#### **THE COLLECT**

*We respond to the prayer:*

**Amen.**

¶ *We sit to listen to the Scriptures.*

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

#### **FIRST READING: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab**

*At the end of the readings:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **PSALM: 45**

*We make the response to the Psalm:*

**On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.**

#### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27**

¶ *We stand to hear Christ speak to us in the Gospel. The cantor sings and all repeat:*

**Alleluia, Alleluia**

*The cantor sings a verse from scripture. Then all sing:*

**Alleluia**

#### **THE GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-56**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the Gospel:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

¶ *We sit to listen to the Priest expound the Scriptures.*

#### **THE HOMILY**

¶ *We stand to profess together the faith of all Christians.*

## THE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father, before all worlds:

God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God.

Begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made.

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven:

*(we bow our heads for the next two lines as we recall God becoming man in Christ)*

and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost, of the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried.

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures;  
and ascended into Heaven and sitteth at the right hand of the Father.

And he shall come again with glory  
to judge both the quick and the dead,  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,  
who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

*One of the following responses is used as we pray with the whole People of God:*

Lord, in your mercy.      or:      Lord, hear us.

hear our prayer.      Lord, graciously hear us.

*We are invited to ask for the prayers of the Saints, most chiefly for those of the Blessed Virgin Mary:*

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among  
women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother  
of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

*We respond to the concluding prayer:*

**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*A collection is taken during the hymn as the Altar is prepared. Other ways of making your offering, including by using our contactless machine, are listed at the front of this booklet.*

### HYMN: NEH 188

1. YE who own the faith of Jesus,  
Sing the wonders that were done  
When the love of God the Father  
O'er our sin the victory won,  
When he made the Virgin Mary  
Mother of his only Son.

*Hail Mary, full of grace.*

2. Blessèd were the chosen people  
Out of whom the Lord did come;  
Blessèd was the land of promise  
Fashioned for his earthly home;  
But more blessèd far the mother,  
She who bare him in her womb.

3. Wherefore let all faithful people  
Tell the honour of her name,  
Let the Church, in her foreshadowed,  
Part in her thanksgiving claim;  
What Christ's mother sang in gladness  
Let Christ's people sing the same.

4. Let us weave our supplications,  
She with us and we with her,  
For the advancement of the faithful,  
For each faithful worshipper,  
For the doubting, for the sinful,  
For each heedless wanderer.

5. Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,  
Praise thy Saviour and thy Son,  
Praise the everlasting Spirit,  
Who hath made thee ark and throne;  
O'er all creatures high exalted,  
Lowly praise the Three in One.

*The Priest invites us to join with him in offering anew the sacrifice of Christ to the Father:*

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

*We respond to the Prayer over the Offerings:*

**Amen.**

#### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The Priest praises God for his mighty acts and then the Sanctus & Benedictus are sung:*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

¶ *We kneel as the Priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer, the great prayer of the Church's thanksgiving.*

*After the words of consecration, we make the acclamation:*

The mystery of faith:

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,**

**and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

*We respond to the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer:*

**Amen.**

¶ *We stand to pray as taught by Christ, who is now truly present on the Altar.*

#### **THE COMMUNION RITE**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come;**

**thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**



Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*During the Fraction the Agnus Dei is sung:*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.*

¶ *We kneel as the Priest shows us Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.*

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Anyone who is baptised and receives Holy Communion in their home church may receive Communion here. Please come forward to the Altar rail to receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds. A full Communion is made as soon as we have received the Lord present in the Sacred Host. If receiving from the Chalice, please note that it is not permitted to intinct the Host into the Precious Blood. If you seek a blessing from the Priest, do bring this booklet with you as a sign to him of your intention.*

*During Communion, the Communion Antiphon is sung, followed by the hymn (NEH 276).*

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| <b>BREAD</b> of heaven, on thee we feed,<br><b>For thy flesh is meat indeed;</b><br>Ever may our souls be fed<br><b>With this true and living bread,</b><br><b>Day by day with strength supplied</b><br><b>Through the life of him who died.</b> | <b>2. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies</b><br><b>This blest cup of sacrifice;</b><br><b>'Tis thy wounds our healing give,</b><br><b>To thy cross we look and live:</b><br><b>Thou our life! O let us be</b><br><b>Rooted, grafted, built on thee.</b> |
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¶ *We stand to pray with thanksgiving.*

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*We respond to the prayer:*

**Amen.**

*Notices may be given.*

### **THE CONCLUDING RITES**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We respond to each bidding, making the Sign of the Cross as we are blessed:*

**Amen.**

*We respond to the words of the Dismissal as we are sent out to be the Body of Christ in the world:*

**Thanks be to God.**

### **THE ANGELUS**

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary.  
**And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women,

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,**  
**now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

**Be it unto me according to thy word.** Hail Mary...

And the Word was made Flesh.

**And dwelt among us.** Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

**That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.** Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by his Cross ✠ and Passion may we be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**HYMN: NEH 161**

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| <p>For Mary, Mother of the Lord<br/>God's holy name be praised,<br/>Who first the Son of God adored<br/>As on her child she gazed.</p> <p>2. The angel Gabriel brought the word<br/>She should Christ's mother be;<br/>One Lady, handmaid of the Lord,<br/>Made answer willingly.</p> <p>3. The heavenly call she thus obeyed,<br/>And so God's will was done;<br/>The second Eve love's answer made<br/>Which our redemption won.</p> | <p>4. She gave her body for God's shrine,<br/>Her heart to piercing pain,<br/>And knew the cost of love divine<br/>When Jesus Christ was slain.</p> <p>5. Dear Mary, from your lowliness<br/>And home in Galilee,<br/>There comes a joy and holiness<br/>To every family.</p> <p>6. Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,<br/>Above all women blest;<br/>Blest in your Son, whom your<br/>embrace<br/>In birth and death confessed.</p> |
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**FOR OUR PRAYERS**

**SICK:** Ronaldo Griffioni

**LONG-TERM SICK:** Sophie Layard, Steve Gregory, Matthew Charlesworth, Joseph Garcia, Sheila Garcia, Barbara Cundell, Rihanna Gibson, Marc Jarrold, Carol Milton, Rols Ham-Riche, John Cole, Wendy Spall, Mary Richards-Davies, Meg Knight, Fr Steven Foster, Manuel Imbroll, Evan Mizzi, Maria Gilson

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

**ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH:**

- 16 Henry Thomas Pannell
- 17 Kate Elizabeth Chappell, John Milton Barrow
- 18 William Hughes DCM (name recorded on War Memorial), Ann Eliza Durt, Lilian Cable, Napier Pitsfield Sturt (Priest), Timothy Huw Davies
- 19 Thomas Sinden, William Robertson, Mary Nessie Snelson, Peter Paine
- 20 Herbert George Cook
- 21 Sister Arabella Mary, Annie Vant, Jonathan Graham (Priest, CR), Catherine Eve
- 22 Margaret Chart, Mary Kennedy Purvis, Edward Curwen Telford, Joyce Aline Rolf (Benefactress of St Paul's)

*Names for inclusion here and in our prayers at Mass should be sent to the Parish Office.*

## INTENTIONS AT MASS

**SUNDAY:** The people of our parish

**MONDAY:** The King

**TUESDAY:** Bishop Will

**WEDNESDAY:** The sick

**THURSDAY:** The Order of Cistercians

**FRIDAY:** Our ecumenical links

**SATURDAY:** The Shrine at Walsingham

## NOTICES

### **Praying the Holy Rosary**

We meet again at 6pm tomorrow at St Bart's to pray together the Glorious Mysteries. All are welcome.

### **St Bartholomew's Patronal Festival**

The Patronal Festival at St Bartholomew's, Ann Street, Brighton will take place on Saturday 22 August, with Solemn Mass beginning at 5.00pm. Mass will be followed by refreshments.

### **Glass Doors in the Narthex**

Please be assured that work continues in relation to getting the broken glass door in the Narthex replaced.

With ongoing discussions with the Insurance company, loss adjusters and glazing companies as well as the bespoke and complex design of the door, this has taken a lot of time. However, progress is being made.