



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

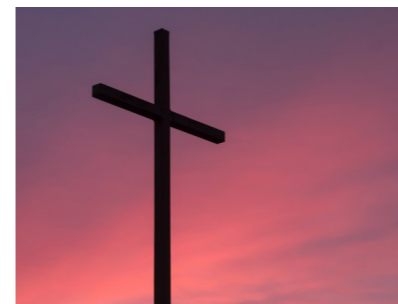
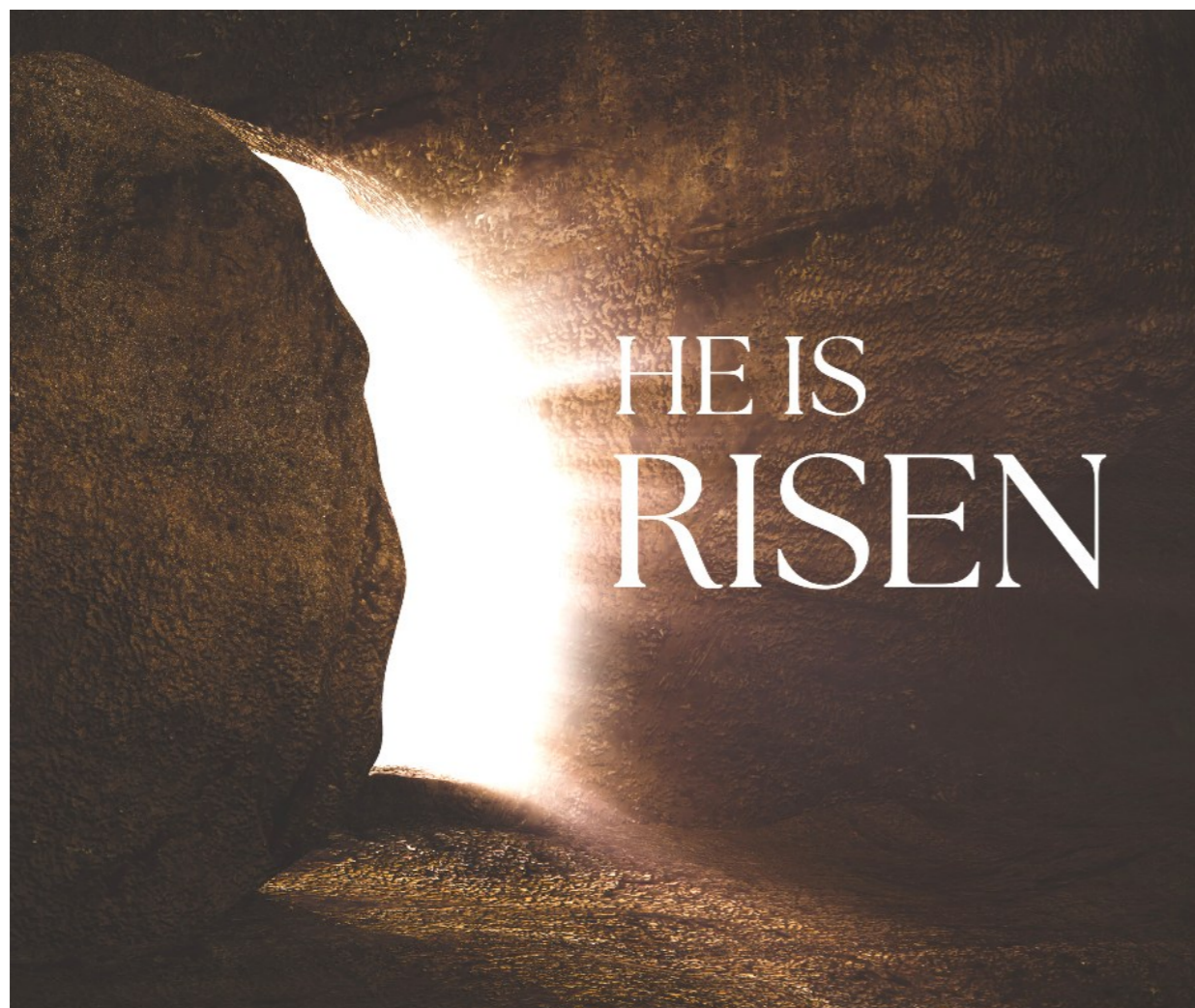
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Seeking God in Prayer, Growing Together in Faith, Reaching Out in Love.

Easter Sunday (A) 5th April 2026

WELCOME



The Diocese has created three short films to accompany people across our family of faith through Holy Week. The films are presented by Fr Kieron; Canon Jonathan Martin, Diocesan Administrator and parish priest of St Pancras, Lewes; and Fr Jonathan How, Moderator of Guildford Catholic Parish.

See www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/holy-week-des or click on the links

In the first film – Canon Kieron introduces Holy Week, highlighting the importance of reflection and prayer and the invitation to contemplate, at a deep level, the foundational mysteries of our Faith. vimeo.com/1176144932

In the second film, Canon Jonathan Martin explores the Good Friday Liturgy; Jesus' self-offering on the Cross for the love of us, the "immense goodness of God", and the veneration of the Cross as an act and expression of our love. vimeo.com/1176142344

The third film, presented by Fr Jonathan How, explores the wonder of the Easter Vigil as the greatest celebration in the Church's year, highlighting that we are made in the image of God, and are not only witnesses to the Resurrection but also, "sharers in The Word Who is Life." vimeo.com/1176140606

Holy Week Collections

The Holy Thursday collection is for the Poor, and the Good Friday Collection is for The Holy Places of Palestine.

Our Priests at Easter

You may be aware that Christmas and Easter are the only times when the offertory collection goes directly to our priests. At all other times of the year, offertory donations are used to meet the everyday costs of parish life - heating our churches, maintaining buildings, and covering essential office and household expenses.

A priest's personal income comes solely from the offerings given at Christmas, Easter, and at special services such as weddings and funerals. We therefore invite you to show your appreciation for our priests and their ministry through your generosity at the Easter Masses

If you would prefer to donate by bank transfer, please include "Easter" or "Priests" in the payment reference. Thank you for your continued support of our parish and our priests.

The Promise of the Father



Grow Your Life in the Holy Spirit

The Promise of the Father Life in the Spirit Seminar from Redhill, April 2026

You are warmly invited to take part in our upcoming Life in the Spirit Seminar in support of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, taking place in Redhill starting April 2026. This journey over seven sessions is an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus and to experience anew the abundant power of His Holy Spirit. Each session includes inspiring teaching from excellent speakers, personal testimonies, small group sharing and prayer.

The seminar is free to attend, and all are welcome—whether you are attending online from home, in a local Parish hub or in-person at St Joseph's Catholic Church in Redhill. If you'd like to take part you must first register at www.abcharismatic.org. Come, Holy Spirit and renew the face of the earth.



Our New Parish Hub - Redevelopment of St Josephs Hall.

It's wonderful to see the new Community Hub at Milton Road continuing to take shape. Behind the scenes, a huge amount of complex groundwork has already been completed - preparing the site and laying the foundations that will support everything to come. In the coming weeks, work will focus on completing the ground floor slab — a significant milestone in the build and a real sign of progress on site. Looking ahead, we're excited to share that the first steel is due to arrive in late April, when a crane will be on site to begin lifting the structure into place. This will be a very visible and exciting stage, as the building quite literally starts to rise. If you happen to capture any photos of the progress, we would love to see them - please do send them to the Parish Office!

Parish Foodbank The foodbank is open **Mondays, 10:30–11:30am** (Including Easter Monday) at the SJB presbytery (front office). Please bring donations to Sunday Mass: Eggs, fresh fruit & veg, tins, dry goods, strong bags. **Remember We can't store refrigerated food!** [Click here](#) to donate to the fund **Thanks!**

Parish Safeguarding for the Young or Vulnerable

If you have concerns for someone you know or need advice or help yourself, please call the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Angela McGrory in confidence on 01293651148 or email one of the Parish Safeguarding Rep's: Linda Evans, St Josephs sg1.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk & Julia Murray Logue, SJB sg2.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk

YOUNG ADULTS/STUDENTS

We have a vibrant Student/Young Adults group in the parish called Deep Waters that gets together on Wednesday evenings 6:45pm next door in the basement of 6 Wellington Road. We share a meal, listen to a talk, have a time of prayer and then a social with drinks. On Sundays after the 11am Mass we also share lunch, and have some input, usually a personal faith story. This also takes place in 6 Wellington Rd. If you come to the back of church after Mass someone will find you and show you where to come!

Deep Waters will be taking a break over Easter, resuming on Sunday 19th April with a countryside walk after the 11am Mass. For more info you can join our WhatsApp chat - email Claire on claireosullivan@brighton.ac.uk for details. Or follow our Instagram @brightonsussexatholic. We look forward to meeting you!

GROUPS / MEETINGS

Mothers Prayers We are a group of mothers meeting on Monday's at 5pm on zoom. For info contact the parish office.

Tuesday Evenings Join us online at 7:30 on <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84005968178>

Praise and Worship Group TUESDAY evenings, 7-8pm. 6 Wellington Rd- all welcome! Contact 07833 614205

Wednesday Evening Perpetual Novena and Divine Mercy Chaplet Every Wednesday at 4:00pm at SJB Church (if Church is closed - please ring the doorbell to the Presbytery)

Thursday Morning Group meets on the 2nd and the last Thursdays of each month at 10:15 - in person in the parish meeting room at St Joseph's, and also accessible online.

Padre Pio Group Join us at 6:30pm, Thursday evenings at St Joseph's for Rosary & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Catenians - a monthly meeting of Catholic men at The Hove Club. For more info see <https://cateniansprovince18.org.uk>

PRAY WITH US



Morning Prayer at 9am: Monday - Saturday

Evening Prayer at 6pm: Monday - Thursday & 4:45pm on Saturday & Sunday

Midday Stillness returns on Friday 17th April

Lectio Divina returns on Wednesday 15th April

Grandparents' Formation day - Thursday 23 April 10-4pm

St John the Evangelist parish hall, Horsham

Join us for what promises to be a wonderful, engaging and affirming day with guest speaker, David Wells.

You will be able to listen to the inspirational experience of David Wells as evangelist, father and grandfather.

A chance to meet with people from across the grandparent network of the diocese and those who are keen to bring the faith to the next generation. For more details on David's powerful, fun and engaging talks on our faith you might like to visit his website W: davidwellslive.com

To register, go to the events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events

If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life

Adviser E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Parents & Toddlers We meet at St Joseph's (side door entrance) on alternate Monday mornings from 10am to 12pm, join us for fellowship, tea and coffee, play-time and an opportunity for adoration with or without children in the church. All welcome. Email Julia (families.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk) to join the WhatsApp group.

Family of Faith – Saturday 25th April

What is Family of Faith? Family of Faith is a parish group for families who wish to grow in their faith. Children and their parents will learn about the mass, how to pray, the liturgical calendar of the Church, and the teachings of the Catholic faith in the YouCat (youth catechism) for Kids, covering the entire catechism over a three-year cycle. The programme is suitable for all families with children of primary-school age.

Also suitable for families who are preparing for the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation, as well as those who have already received these sacraments and are preparing for Confirmation in the future.

Contact Julia at families.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk for details on any of the above

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MASS TIMES

| Thursday 2nd April | Maundy Thursday | |
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| St John the Baptist | 8:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper | Andrew Bendell (<i>Doreen Lewis</i>) |
| St Joseph's | 8:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper | Danny Goudy RIP - Anniversary |
| Friday 3rd April | Good Friday | |
| St John the Baptist | 3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> | |
| St Joseph's | 3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> | |
| Saturday 4th April | Holy Saturday | |
| St Joseph's | No Confessions | |
| St Joseph's | 8:30pm The Solemn Vigil of Easter | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 5th April | Easter Sunday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:00am Mass | Christine Ryan RIP |
| St John the Baptist | 11:00am Mass | Timothy John Moriarty RIP (<i>Marion Moriarty</i>) |
| St Joseph's | 11:00am Mass with Children's Liturgy | Lee Wright & Johnny Glasheen RIP (<i>Miriam</i>) |
| Monday 6th April | Easter Monday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass | Josephine Okafor RIP (<i>Sr Rose</i>) |
| Tuesday 7th April | Easter Tuesday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass | Peter Ghazal RIP (<i>Jean Ghazal</i>) |
| St Joseph's | No Mass | |
| Wednesday 8th April | Easter Wednesday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass | Geoff Lewis |
| St Joseph's | 11:00am Requiem Mass | Pietro Galasso RIP |
| Thursday 9th April | Easter Thursday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass | John Pollard RIP (<i>Foundation</i>) |
| St Joseph's | 6:00pm Mass | John Murray RIP (<i>Mary Murray</i>) |
| Friday 10th April | Easter Friday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass | Private Intentions |
| St Joseph's | 6:00pm Mass | Albert & Edward Clinch RIP (<i>Foundation</i>) |
| Saturday 11th April | Easter Saturday | |
| St John the Baptist | 9:30am Mass followed by Confessions | Elizabeth Goggins RIP |
| St Joseph's | 11:00am—11:45am Confessions | |
| St John the Baptist | 6:00pm First Mass of Sunday | Jim & Nancy Price |
| Sunday 12th April | Second 'Low' Sunday of Easter | |
| St John the Baptist | 11:00am Mass | People of the Parish |
| St Joseph's | 11:00am Mass with Children's Liturgy | Veronica Kearney RIP (<i>Carmel Stevenson</i>) |
| St Joseph's | 5:30pm Mass | Joan Heatherington - <i>birthday</i> |

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Maira Hall, Agnes Manyingwa, Jean Small, Yenna VanHannover, Ann Callaghan, Tommy Maher, Claire Ashenden, Mary Howes, Ewa Knebloch-Kozłowska, Barbara Garlington, Phil McGrandles, Gordon Murray, Ian Tinlin, Marie Clare, Sue Bonner, Maria Rigby, Shannon Grewal, Janet Alan, Jayveer Grewal, Anthony Price, Pete Weston, Gerald Grace, Michael Warner, José Luis Cabanas, Laurie Garlington, Helen Symmons, Anthony Warner, Maureen Croke, Ann Peyton, Ian Brockwell, Roger Paine.

Those who have died recently, especially Pietro Galasso and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

To be added to the sick list contact the Parish Office. Please contact Fr Kieron if you are going into hospital.