The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

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

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.

First reading - Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading - Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia.

Gospel - Matthew 25:31-46

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?" And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me."

'Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?" Then he will answer them, saying, "Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith

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

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.* **and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Sunday 22nd November 2026 • Christ the King • Year A • Weekdays: Week 33 • Psalter Week 2

Youth Sunday

Fr Paul Writes…

The Government is planning to mark the 11,000th anniversary of the establishment of England on 12th July next year. Under King Æthelstan, a 'summit' of lords from across Britain, held beside the River Eamont in Cumbria, agreed, on that date in 927, that all should accept his authority and Engalonde, as it was soon to become known, was born. Æthelstan was building on the work of his grandfather, Alfred, whom many argue should really take the credit. Æthelstan, had continued Alfred's work of driving out the Vikings from Northern England and uniting the smaller kingdoms and earldoms of Saxon England achieved largely through warfare, assisted by his formidable aunt, Æthelflæd, but also through diplomacy.



Like Alfred, Æthelstan was keen to establish peace throughout the kingdom. He created codes of law to ensure the just treatment of all his subjects, and encouraged education, especially through the monasteries, in the hope that conflicts could be settled through negotiation rather than violence. Æthelstan recognised his duty as king to care for the people. He levied heavy fines on any lord who allowed hunger to develop in his territory. This approach to kingship, while imperfect by modern standards, was based on his Christian faith.

In many times in places, the model of kingship has been based on the, often ruthless, exercise of power. The nature of the kingship of Christ, however, can be seen in his ministry. He used his divine power and wisdom to show God's unlimited love and make it a lived reality in the world. Today's feast of Christ the Universal King not only reminds us of the preeminent power and authority of Christ, but also that he engages with the reality of our life and sets the pattern for how all power should be exercised.

This Week in Our Parish

Saturday 21st November
*10am-12:15pm FHC Class at St Theresa's
*5:15–5:45pm Weekly Reconciliation at SH & SP
*7–8:15pm Learning with Bishop Stephen at SP

Sunday 22nd November
*8:30am Lauds for the Holy Souls at ST
*Refreshments available after some Masses
*After 11am Mass, Table Church at SMM
*After 11am Mass, Reconciliation at SG, on request

Monday 23rd November
*10:30–11:30am Tai Chi at SP Hall
*12 noon ReBalance chair-based fitness at SP Hall
*6pm St George's Rosary Group in the Lady Chapel
*7pm SP's RCIA in the Upper Room of the parish hall
*7–9pm SH's RCIA in the Parish Rooms

Tuesday 24th November
*After 10am Mass, Tea and Chat at SG Hall
*10:30am SH Prayer Group in the Parish Room
*2–4pm Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) SP's Hall
*6:30–7:30pm Baptism Preparation at ST

Wednesday 25th November
*5:30pm Reconciliation at SMM during Holy Hour
*6:30pm Vespers for the Holy Souls at ST

Thursday 26th November
*10am–4pm Catholic Social Teaching, Community Organising and the Gospel – Formation Day at SH Hall
*7:30pm Digging Deeper Online study group

Friday 27th November
*10am Women's Rosary at SMM's Presbytery
*11am SH Online Rosary via the church livestream
*1–3pm St Peter's Social Group in the parish hall
*7pm Mass for the Dead at ST
*After 7pm Mass Reconciliation at St Theresa's

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Mass Schedule		
Sat 21st	**Nov**	**Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
6pm	SH	Jose Nery Alvis RIP
6.00pm	SP	Pope Leo XIV
6.30pm	SG	*Polish Mass*
Sun 22nd	**Nov**	**Christ the King**
8.30am	SP	People of the Parish
9.00am	ST	Those preparing for FHC
9.30am	SH	Anthony John Reynolds RIP
9:30am	SMM	*Polish Mass*
10.00am	SP	Carmel McEnhill RIP
11.00am	SG	Vincent Neal RIP
11.00am	SMM	Villalobos and Viana RIP
11.30am	SH	Peter Aidan Maltby RIP
11.30am	SP	Manal Albadin & family
5.00pm	SMM	Patrick Finnegan RIP
Mon 23rd	**Nov**	**Saint Clement I**
10.00am †	SH	Alice Hodgson RIP
Tue 24th	**Nov**	**Saints Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions**
10am	SMM	Margaretta Wright RIP
10.00am	SG	Deceased members of the Alphonso Family
10.00am †	SH	Michael Pye RIP
10.00am	SP	People of the Parish
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Wed 25th	**Nov**	**Saint Catherine of Alexandria**
8.00am	CNCS	-
8.00am	SH	Mr and Mrs GW Gillow and family
10.00am	SP	Deceased members of the Longley & Taylor family
6:30pm †	SMM	T Holland RIP
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Thurs 26th	**Nov**	**Thursday**
09:30am	SMM	Holy Souls
10.00am ‡	SG	People of the Parish
10.00am †	SP	No Mass today
12noon †	SH	Deceased Members of the Pires and Pereira families
7.00pm	ST	People of the Parish
Fri 27th	**Nov**	**Friday**
8.00am	SH	Lewis Wright RIP
10.00am	SP	Caroline Lamb RIP
6:30pm	SMM	Lally McDermot RIP
7.00pm ‡	ST	*Mass for the Dead*
Sat 28th	**Nov**	**Saturday**
6pm	SH	People of the Parish
6.00pm	SP	Bernie Harvey RIP
6.30pm	SG	*Polish Mass*
Sun 29th	**Nov**	**1st Sunday of Advent**
8.30am	SP	Jude Fletcher RIP
9.00am	ST	Winnie Wilde
9.30am	SH	Gillian Botting RIP
9:30am	SMM	*Polish Mass*
10.00am	SP	Ann Lash RIP
11.00am	SG	Vincent Neal RIP
11.00am	SMM	Lorimer-Rosser Family RIP
11.30am	SH	All Souls
11.30am	SP	Margaret McGoldrick RIP
5.00pm	SMM	Thanksgiving for getting job

Special Collections 2026
22nd November – Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund (Gift Aid)

Monks in the City, Solemnity of Christ the King Ecumenical Evening Prayer. Sunday 22nd November at 4pm, St John the Baptist Church, Kemptown, BN2 1AP. Join us for ecumenical Evening Prayer to mark the end of the Liturgical Year. Abbot Mark will preach, and Vespers will be followed by light refreshments.

RCIA at the Sacred Heart Next meeting will be on Monday 23rd November 2026 in our Parish Rooms from 7-9pm. Anyone who is interested in exploring their faith, or their Catechism, you are most welcome to join the session.

St George's Tea and Chat On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, the 10am Mass at St George's is followed by a time of socialisation and activity, in the hall, aimed at the older people in the parish. No need to book. Just turn up! Next date is Tuesday 24th November.

Baptism Preparation The next two Baptism Preparation sessions will take place on Tuesday 24th November and Tuesday 1st December, 6:30–7:30pm at St Theresa's. Both sessions are required for parents and godparents preparing for Baptism. Contact the parish office for further information or to register.

Catholic Social Teaching, Community Organising and the Gospel
Thursday 26th November, 10am–4pm, Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall, Norton Road, Hove. In collaboration with Citizens UK, open to anyone involved in a local church.
https://brightonhove.churchsuite.com/events/naw8eiwh



Mass for the Dead of St George's and St Theresa's, Friday 27th November, 7pm, at St Theresa's. At this special Mass, we will remember those from our parish communities and families who have died during the past year. The names of those whose funerals have been celebrated in our churches will be read aloud, and a candle lit in their memory. If you would like a loved one who has died in the past year or so to be remembered by name, please contact the Parish Office.

Retreat Day, A Doorway to Advent
All are warmly invited to a retreat day, 'A Doorway to Advent', on Saturday 28th November, from 10am to 3:30pm, at St Mary Magdalen's Church. The day will include talks by Fr Rod and Sr Vivian, offering an opportunity for reflection and spiritual preparation for Advent.

Worth Abbey, Advent Talk Saturday 28th November. Naming What We Long For: A Benedictine Advent. Led by Abbot Mark Barrett. The morning will begin with a warm welcome and refreshments, followed by the talk and conclude with an optional light lunch and Midday Prayer. For more information and to reserve a https://worthabbey.net/advent-talk

2026-2027 Sacramental Programmes
Confirmation Applications are open until Tues 1st December 2026, at Sacred Heart.

Martlets Hospice Sale at St Peter's Last Sunday's sale in the hall raised over £110. Thank you to everyone who supported with donating goods, buying things or just coming in to show support. There will be another small sale of remaining Christmas goodies on Sunday 29th November after the 10 o'clock Mass only. As usual, there will be 50p and 10p tables, as well as other bargains. Cash only, please.

St Mary Magdalen's Lunchtime Concert
Series 2026. Join us at St Mary Magdalen's Church, Brighton, for two free lunchtime concerts in December, both starting at 12:30pm. On Friday 4th December, Isabelle Allan (violin) and Owen Lee (piano) will perform works by Bach and Brahms. On Friday 11th December, the Boreas Trio will present a programme featuring oboe, bassoon and piano, with music by Mel Bonis, Michael Glinka, Francis Poulenc and Alyssa Morris. Admission is free and all are welcome. For more information, email brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk

Young Adults' Advent Retreat at Worth Abbey, 4th – 6th December 2026. Take time away from the busyness of everyday life and prepare for the coming of Christ at Worth Abbey's Young Adults' Advent Retreat, from Friday 4th December at 4:30pm to Sunday 6th December at 2:30pm. Enjoy talks from the Benedictine monks, group discussions, beautiful walks, personal prayer and opportunities to build friendships with fellow young adults. https://worthabbey.net/young-adults-advent-retreat

Sacred Heart SVP Social Group Soup, sandwiches, tea, and cakes, with entertainment, quizzes, etc. after 12noon Mass on Thursdays. The next gathering will be on 10th December.

St Peter's Social group Fridays at 1-3pm in our parish hall. Please join us!

Worth Abbey Pilgrims Advent Carol Service Sunday 20th December, 3:30pm. Join us at Worth Abbey Church for a beautiful Advent Carol Service led by the Worth Abbey Choir, featuring traditional carols, scripture readings and prayerful reflection as we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth. All are warmly welcome, especially families. Following the service, refreshments and festive treats will be served in the Narthex, with wine available to purchase (please bring cash). https://worthabbey.net/adventcarolservice/

Christmas Cards Christmas cards are on sale in the Repository at Sacred Heart, and at the back of St George's & St Theresa's.

Digging Deeper Online Faith Study Group
Digging Deeper is a lay-led online study group exploring different aspects of our faith, meeting on Thursdays from 7:30–8:30pm. Each session concludes with a time of prayer. Prayer requests can be left in the box at the back of St George's or St Theresa's. If you would be interested in joining us or would like to find out more, please email whdiggingdeeper@gmail.com

Learning with Bishop Stephen A new weekly group at St Peter's, Hove Church Hall. 7–8:15pm, following the 6pm Saturday Mass. Join us each week to watch a short selection from Bishop Stephen's YouTube channel, followed by discussion, prayer and fellowship. Drop in, all welcome!

Sacred Heart Prayer Group every Tuesday at 10:30am, SH Parish Room. You may leave prayer requests in the box at the back of the church.

St George's, Volunteers Needed for Cash Counting. We are looking for volunteers to help with counting the Sunday collections at St George's. Following recent diocesan guidance, cash counting must be carried out by two unrelated people, working together on a rota basis. We would be grateful for anyone willing to help with this important role, which ensures that parish finances are managed safely and responsibly. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Parish Office.

CAFOD, Volunteers Needed for Local Schools. Could you inspire the next generation while gaining valuable experience of presenting to young people? CAFOD (the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) is looking for volunteers to visit local schools to deliver assemblies and workshops. Full training and support will be provided. For more information contact local CAFOD representative Chris Driscoll at cdriscoll@cafod.org.uk or 07776 493162.

Catenian Association
A monthly meeting of Catholic men https://cateniansprovince18.org.uk

St Peter's Archive Team For a baptism, or confirmation certificate contact our team of volunteers by email: saintpeterarchives@gmail.com allow two weeks for documents to be processed.

Newsletter by Email
To receive the newsletter by email, hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk

ReBalance at St Peter's church hall Chair-based fitness for older adults every Monday 12pm for help with strength, balance and mobility £6 per class.

Prayer List
Anne Callaghan, Canon Colin Wolczak, Chris, Lucy, & Matt Neal, Clive Connor, Dean Schwartz, Eileen Kipling, Elena White, Elizabeth Houston, George Mooney, Hanorah & Mat Smith, Isabella Thomas, Jeanne & Frank Brett, Jimmy, Julia Fleming, Kathleen Davis, Liz Perkins, Manal & Imad Albadin & family, Margaret Robinson, Mario Noah, Melvin Shirkie, Peter Cochlin, Robert (Bob) Selwood, Semi Romano, Teresa Riley, Terry Maughan, Tom Piggins, Winifred Wilde.