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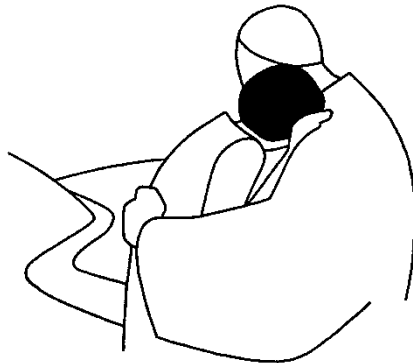
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**23rd Sunday of the Year
Year A
September 6th 2026**



10.30 THE PARISH MASS

Lord Jesus Christ you have come to us
You are one with us, Mary's Son.
Cleansing our souls from all their sin
pouring Your love and goodness in
Jesus our love for you we sing,
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ now and every day
Teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance Lord of you
Into our lives your power breaks through,
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
Born as one with us, Mary's Son.
Led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus help us see
You are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ I would come to you
live my life for you, Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
living Lord.

V: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

R: **Amen.**

V: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R: **And with your spirit.**

The Celebrant introduces the celebration.

V: Lord have mercy

R: **Lord have mercy**

V: Christ have mercy

R: **Christ have mercy**

V: Lord have mercy

R: **Lord have mercy**

V: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

R Amen.

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.**

The Collect

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,
look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters,
that those who believe in Christ
may receive true freedom
and an everlasting inheritance.
Through our lord Jesus Christ, your son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen

First Reading (Ref: Ezek 33:7-9)

Theme: 'If you do not speak to warn the wicked, his blood I will require at your hand.'

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord: 'So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.'

V. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. O that today you would listen to his voice! "Harden not your hearts."

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;
let us hail him with a song of praise. **R**

O come; let us bow and bend low.
Let us kneel before the Lord who made us,
for he is our God, and we the people,
the people of his pasture, the flock of his hand. **R**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your forebears put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R**

Second Reading (Ref: Rom 13:8-10)

Theme: 'Love is the fulfilling of the law.'

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Brothers and Sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love each other. For the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet', and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

V. The Word of the Lord

R. **Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Ref: Matt 18:15-20)

Theme: 'If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.'

V. The Lord be with you

R. **And with your spirit.**

V. A reading ✠ from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.'

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please sit for the Address and then stand for the Creed and Prayer of the Faithful

The Creed

**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,
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.**

The Prayer of the Faithful

V. Father, hear us

R for we are your children

Those in need

Fr Keith, Fr Steven, Charlie Banks, George Browne, Brenda Burchell, Hazel Chapman, Valerie Clarke, Elle Deveson, Steve Gilliver, Denise Edmunds, Emily Glass, Adrian Gorman, Sue Korth, Minna Lucas, John Mason, Jen and Jez McAteer, Paulina Podsaidley, Terry Roberts, Chris Swetman, Julie Swetman, Dorothy Valder, Alex, Amy, Christine, Fiona, John, Louise, Rachel, Ray, Rita, Timothy,

The Recent Departed

Years Mind

- (6) Margaret Brandie
- (7) Alice Morley, Eileen McCluskey
- (8) Eleanor Patching, Ellen Radford, Richard Banks, HM Queen Elizabeth II
- (9) George Marchant, James Rogers, Muriel Robertson
- (10) Henry Bruce, Ruby Avis, Doris Parks
- (11) Dorothea Graham
- (12) William Weller

Offertory Hymn NEH 378 [3:11]

Immortal love for ever full
 Forever flowing free,
 Forever shared, forever whole,
 A never ebbing sea!

Our outward lips confess the name
 All other names above;
 Love only knoweth whence it came,
 And comprehendeth love.

But warm, sweet, tender, even yet,
 A present help is He;
 And faith still has its Olivet,
 And love its Galilee.

The healing of His seamless dress
 Is by our beds of pain;

We touch Him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

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Through Him the first fond prayers are said
Our lips of childhood frame,
The last low whispers of our dead
Are burdened with His Name.

Alone, O Love ineffable,
Thy saving name is given;
To turn aside from thee is hell,
To walk with thee is heaven..

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

**R 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.**

The Prayer over the Gifts

V The Lord be with you

R. And with your spirit.

V Lift up your hearts

R We lift them up to the Lord

V Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R It is right and just.

The Proper Preface

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The mystery of faith:

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

**Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection**

you have set us free.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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Amen

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

V 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.

R **For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

V 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.

R **Amen.**

V The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R **And with your spirit.**

V Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Agnus Dei

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 your peace.

V ✠ 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.

R **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

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Please be guided to Communion by the Stewards

Silence will be kept after Communion.

The Post Communion Prayer

Post Communion Hymn MP171 [5:17]]

O love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul on thee;
I give that back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean depths its flow
may richer fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
my heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
may brighter, fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain
the morn shall tearless be.

O cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be

V The Lord be with you
R **And with your spirit.**

V And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R **Amen.**

V Go forth, the Mass is ended.
R **Thanks be to God.**

The Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord brought the tidings to Mary
R And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

**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.**

V Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
**R Be it unto me according to thy Word.
 Hail Mary....**

V And the word was made flesh.
**R And dwelt among us.
 Hail Mary....**

V Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.
R That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Collect.

School Theme for the Week

‘New Beginnings’

Mass this Week

Mon	Feria	10.00
Tue	Nativity of BVM	12.30
Wed	Feria	17.30
Thu	Feria (for unity)	17.30
Fri	Feria	11.00
Sat	Most Holy Name of Mary	11.00

Next Sunday – 24th of the Year

Morning Prayer
 Parish Mass 10.30

THANK YOU

Minna has asked for a thank you to be put on the reading sheet for the kind thoughts and wishes sent to her in the recent card.

SUSSEX RIDE AND STRIDE

This will take place on September 12th, 2026. For further details please see Sussex Historic Churches Trust website.

PCC

The next PCC meeting will be on Thursday, 17th September after 7 pm Mass.

WALSINGHAM FESTIVAL DAY

This will take place on Saturday, 17th October 2026 at St Paul's, West Street beginning at 11 am with a Concelebrated Mass. Further details will be circulated later in August. A "save the date" poster can be found on the noticeboard outside the main doors of the church.

JAM JARS

The Monday Group are running short of jam jars. Please bring in your empties.

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