

# The Catholic Church in Seaford, Newhaven & Peacehaven | Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026



**Welcome** to our parish family as we gather for the **Fifth Sunday of Easter**. In these joyful weeks, the Church continues to celebrate the risen Lord, reminding us that Easter is not just a day, but a **season of hope, renewal, and new life**.

As we journey toward Pentecost, may we keep the **spirit of Easter** alive in our hearts—through acts of love, patience, and faith. Let us continue to walk in the light of the **Resurrection**, trusting that **Christ** is with us in all things.

**Next week**, Mary Ann, Claire and Deacon Stephen will attend the International Parish Renewal Conference, “Ordinary Parish – Extraordinary Transformation.” The conference explores areas such as leadership, parish culture, and renewed approaches to sacramental and youth ministry.

We hope this will be a chance to learn, reflect, and be inspired, while also affirming the good work already happening in our parish.

Please keep them in your prayers. We look forward to sharing what they bring back and how it may support our parish journey.

**A small group** from our parish will be walking the final leg of the **Camino de Santiago** in June. This special pilgrimage is a time of prayer, reflection, and renewal.

They would be very happy to carry your prayer intentions with them along the way. If there is something or someone you would like them to pray for, please send your intentions to Claire before they depart.

Please keep them in your prayers as they undertake this journey.

**You are warmly invited** to be part of a new scratch **choir** for our parish! This is a wonderful opportunity for people of all ages and from both our churches to come together in song, learning seasonal music and exploring new hymns as we grow in our praise and worship.

We will meet once a month from 7:00–8:00pm at St Thomas More, beginning on **Tuesday 19th May**. No previous experience is needed—just a willingness to sing and be part of a joyful, welcoming group.

We hope this will strengthen our shared worship and enrich the music in our parish liturgies. Do come along and give it a try!

## Help Shape the Future of Our Deanery

As we take forward the Diocesan Plan The Word Who is Life, we are inviting volunteers to join a new Deanery Leadership Team, working alongside our clergy to support this next stage.

We are looking to appoint people to four key roles:

### 1. Operations and Coordination

Support meetings, logistics, and action tracking. Help put simple systems in place and ensure follow through.

### 2. Digital and Communications

Assist with website and email updates, social media, and internal communication across the deanery.

### 3. Safeguarding and Wellbeing Support

Support safeguarding processes, track training, and help signpost wellbeing support where needed.

### 4. Community Insight

Help gather basic data, understand local demographics, and support funding applications.

These are practical roles at the heart of our mission. You do not need to have all the answers, but you do need to be reliable, willing to serve, and able to work with others. If you are interested, please email Deacon Stephen.

## Holy Mass & Prayer Times:

**Holy Mass: (Confession & Rosary: 30 mins before Holy Mass.)**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter (page 383 in the CTS New Sunday Missal)**

❖ **Saturday 2 May**, 6pm, Peacehaven (*Ronald Warren RIP*)

❖ **Sunday 3 May**, 11am, Seaford (*People of the Parish*)

**Midweek:**

❖ **Wed 6 May**, 10am, Peacehaven (*Fr Douglas Perkins RIP*).

❖ **Thurs 7 May**, 10am, Seaford – Requiem Mass – Patricia McGurk RIP

**Sixth Sunday of Easter (page 387 in the CTS New Sunday Missal)**

❖ **Saturday 9 May**, 6pm, Seaford (*People of the Parish*)

❖ **Sunday 10 May** 11am, Peacehaven (*Hugh Hoy RIP*)

**Coffee & Tea in the Hall after midweek and Sunday Masses.**

**Benediction:** Sun 6pm Seaford.

**Lauds:** Seaford: Mon–Fri 8:30am; Sat/Sun 9am. Peacehaven: Tues 9am.

**Vespers:** Seaford: Mon–Fri 6:30pm; Peacehaven: Mon 6:30pm, Tues/Wed 6pm.

**Adoration:** Peacehaven Thurs 6pm and Friday 10 am

**Mass Intention envelopes** are in the porch

**Offertory:** Peacehaven £ 515.73      Seaford £340.45

**This Week 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** Education for Future Priests

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