

The Catholic Church in Seaford, Newhaven & Peacehaven | Sunday 9th August 2026

A warm welcome to you all this week. In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus walks towards His disciples through the storm. Peter steps out in faith, but begins to sink when he takes his eyes off Jesus and becomes overwhelmed by the waves.

We too can feel surrounded by uncertainty and change, but Jesus reminds us: **"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."** As a parish, may we keep our eyes on Christ, encourage one another and trust Him, even when the waters feel a little rough.

Looking Ahead:

For now, **Fr Jonathan remains our Parish Priest**, supported by retired priests who are generously celebrating our Masses.

Fr Jonathan's availability is limited by his wider diocesan responsibilities.

Claire remains the first point of contact for Seaford, Lyndsey for Peacehaven, and Mary Ann for catechesis and formation across both communities. Chris and Delanee will continue to oversee finances, and Jon our properties.

The retired priests helping with Mass are not available for parish administration or pastoral requests, so please direct these through **Claire, Lyndsey or Mary Ann** as appropriate. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this period of transition.

Finding our place:

It is good to see people returning and wanting to be involved in parish life.

We warmly welcome that enthusiasm, but we also ask everyone to take a little time to listen, pray and discern where they are being called to serve. There is already a rich rhythm of prayer across our parish, and we invite those who wish to get involved to begin there. **Before taking on a role or starting something new, please speak with the appropriate parish contact and allow time to discern together what is needed and where your gifts can best serve the parish**

200 Club:

With regret, the 200 Club will be closing due to falling membership numbers. As members pay by standing order at different times of the year, the draws will continue until 20 June 2027. Any unused subscription balance will then be refunded. Please cancel your standing order, as no further subscriptions will be accepted after 31 August 2026. Thank you for your support, **The Finance Committee**



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Prayer for exam results

Loving God, be close to all those who are waiting for their exam results. For those who receive the results they hoped for, may they be filled with gratitude and joy, and look ahead with confidence to what comes next. For those whose results are not what they hoped or expected, bring them comfort and peace. Remind them that their worth is not measured by grades or achievements, and that this disappointment does not define their future. Help each person to see the path ahead with hope, to trust in the gifts and talents You have given them, and to know that You walk beside them whatever comes. Guide them in the choices they make, give them courage for new beginnings, and surround them with people who will encourage and support them.

Lord, be with them on results day and always, and help them to place their future in Your hands, Amen.

Holy Mass & Prayer in the Parish

Holy Mass and Intentions			
Day & Date	Time	Church	Intention
19 th Sunday in Ordinary time (CTS Sunday Missal pg 757)			
Sunday 9 August	9am	Peacehaven	People of the Parish
Sunday 9 August	11am	Seaford	Vocations
Tuesday 11 August	7.30pm	Seaford	Pilgrims Mass
Wed 12 August	10am	Peacehaven	Kelly Cracknell RIP
Thurs 13 August	10am	Seaford	Brian Bond RIP
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (CTS Sunday Missal pg 1170)			
Sunday16 August	9am	Peacehaven	People of the Parish
Sunday 16 August	11am	Seaford	Ronald Hemmings RIP
Rosary and Confession 30min before every Holy Mass			
Prayer & Devotions			
Devotion:	Times:		
Lauds	Seaford: Monday – Friday 8.30am, Sat & Sun 9am Peacehaven: Tuesday 9am		
Vespers	Seaford: Monday – Friday 6.30pm Peacehaven: Mon 5.30pm, Tue & Wed 6pm		
Adoration	Seaford: Tuesday 9.45am Peacehaven: Thursday 6pm; Friday 10am		
Tea & Coffee is served in the hall after all Masses. Everyone is warmly welcome.			

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