

The Catholic Church in Seaford, Newhaven & Peacehaven | Sunday 13 September 2026

A WARM WELCOME TO FR MICHAEL

As we welcome **Fr Michael Faneye** as our new Parish Priest, this Sunday's Gospel offers a timely reminder of what it means to live together as a Christian community. Jesus challenges Peter to forgive not just seven times, but "seventy-seven times" — inviting us to let go of keeping score and instead choose mercy, patience and forgiveness.

Every parish is made up of people with different experiences, personalities and opinions. What holds us together is not that we always get everything right, but that we keep choosing to forgive, to begin again and to look for the best in one another.

As Fr Michael settles into his new home and gets to know our parish, please do make a point of saying hello and introducing yourself. A new parish is a big step, and the little things — a friendly face, a cup of coffee, a conversation after Mass — can make all the difference.

As he begins his ministry among us, let's make this a new chapter for our parish — one marked by welcome, generosity and a willingness to walk together in faith. Let's support Fr Michael and share with him all that is happening across our parish.



ORDINATION TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE OF CLAUDE CHETA

Claude has spent **four years in formation and training** to reach this moment, and it is a wonderful opportunity for us as a parish to support him as he begins his diaconate ministry. You will have received an invitation to this special event on your way into Mass this weekend, **please do make the effort to be there!** Let's fill the Cathedral with our prayers, encouragement and support, and show Claude just how proud we are of him.

EXCITING NEWS FOR OUR STM HALL!

The kitchen at St Thomas More Church Hall is getting a much-needed refurbishment! Work begins on **Monday 12 October** and will take around three weeks. The hall will be closed during this time, although the toilets will be accessible during Mass. We're excited to have a **new and improved kitchen** that will make the hall an even better space for parish gatherings, hospitality and community events. Thank you for your patience while the work takes place!



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 15 Sept, 10am -12 noon Macmillan
Coffee morning – Seaford
Sat 10 Oct, 7pm – Fish & Chips and
Quiz, Peacehaven

Wed 14 Oct, 11am Macmillan Coffee
Morning, Peacehaven
Sat 24 Oct, 11.30am – Mass at Worth
Abbey with our new Bishop.
Sat 21 Nov, 12noon – ordination to the
permanent Diaconate of Claude Cheta

HOLY MASS & PRAYER IN THE PARISH

2nd Collection:

This Week: Education Sunday

Next Week: Evangelii Gaudium Sunday

Holy Mass and Intentions			
Day & Date	Time	Church	Intention
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Education Sunday (CTS Sunday Missal 774)			
Sunday 13 Sept	9am	Peacehaven	Nigel Reynolds RIP (Ann.)
Sunday 13 Sept	11am	Seaford	People of the Parish
Tuesday 15 Sept	7.30pm	Seaford	Pilgrims Mass
Wed 16 Sept	10am	Peacehaven	Fr Peter Allen RIP
Thurs 17 Sept	10am	Seaford	John Mason RIP
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (CTS Sunday Missal 778)			
Sunday 20 Sept	9am	Peacehaven	Steve Waugh Int
Sunday 20 Sept	11am	Seaford	People of the Parish
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: Monday 5.30pm Thursday 6pm; Friday 10am		
Tea & Coffee is served in the hall after all Masses. Everyone is warmly welcome.			

PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Lord, as we welcome Fr Michael as our new Parish Priest, help us to be a community marked by mercy, patience and forgiveness. May we welcome one another generously, support Fr Michael in his ministry, and walk together in faith as we begin this new chapter in the life of our parish. **AMEN.**

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