Sunday (22nd May) Readings

1st Reading – Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 Psalm – 66 2nd Reading – Apoc 21: 10-14, 22-23 Gospel – John 14: 23-29 **Intentions**

6pm Alex Clay RIP 9am The People of the Parish 11am Roger & Pat Massey RIP 4pm MASS IN POLISH

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth; the Lord has freed his people, alleluia

Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my Commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete to abide with you for ever, alleluia

	10am 10am		Intentions of Christopher Jones Word	
Wed	10am	St Bede the Venerable	Happy Birthday Helen Jerstice	
	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 2PM TO 10PM			
Thu	10am	Ascension of the Lord	Wellbeing of David & Helen Rowe & Family	
	8pm		The People of the Parish	
Fri	8pm	St Augustine of Canterbury	Eileen Way RIP	
		<u>Confessions</u>		
		Friday 7 30pm – 7 50pm	& Saturday 5 15pm to 5 45pm	

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Next Sunday (29th May) Readings

Intentions

1st Reading – Acts 7: 55-60 6 Psalm – 96 2nd Reading – Apoc 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20 Gospel – John 17: 20-26

6pm God's Blessing on Marriage of Cecilia & Luca9am Wellbeing of Maureen Rudman11am The People of the Parish

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Lee O'Loughlin and Margaret Rogerson. We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Julie Clark, Peggy Rambajunsingh, Frank Egan, Roger Massey, Patricia Hogg, Sidney Randall, Desmond Gribben, Teresa Armstrong, Patrick Long and Bridget Gregory. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Requiem Mass for Fr Denis Paul, who died two months ago will be celebrated at 12.00 on Monday, 23 May at the Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation, 147, Bingham Rd., Addiscombe, CR0 7EN.

<u>Sick and Housebound:</u> We pray for all those who are sick and the housebound. We pray especially for all those in our parish and their families. **St Simon Stock, keep them in your care**

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> Please make cheques payable to St Simon Stock Church. See website for details of how to make a bank transfer.

100 Club (Parish Lottery) - Cash Prizes to be won monthly! Annual Subscription £12 per number. May Winners £50 No 87 = Sylvia Berko £25 No 17 = April Redding

Parish Gift Aid - If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please ring Steve Duxbury on Medway 862125



Parish notices:

1. Many thanks to all who made last Sunday's Feast Day celebrations such a success, despite the rain. If you singed up to sponsor Fr Pawel's walk but haven't donated yet, please make your donation that we can announce total amount of collected money, thank you very much.

Please join us this Sunday evening at 6pm when Medway Singers and St Simon's Choir will be putting on a concert to raise money for the war crisis in Ukraine. Please come along and support this very important cause and show your solidarity with our brothers and sisters displaced or suffering in the war. Your help is desperately needed.
Shopping donations for Ukraine. We are also appealing for donations of non-

perishable foods, cleaning products, washing and hygiene products for women & children, baby milk and nappies. Please leave these items in the church lobby under the table over the next 2 weekends.

4. On Friday 6 May 2022 the Plenary Assembly of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales <u>has decided to bring back the Sunday Obligation from the forthcoming</u> <u>feast of Pentecost (5th June 2022)</u>. See full text of *Spring Plenary 2022 Resolution* printed copies available in the back of the church.

Confirmation Mass 29th May 2022 at 11am !

Next Sunday at 11am we will be welcoming Canon Luke Smith who will be celebrating our Confirmation Mass, the first since the Pandemic. Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates: *Nathan Corthorn, Szymon Dmuchowski, Wiktoria Gmiterek, Liyana Hussein, Isla Law, Liam Murphy, Orla Murphy, Michael Ogwueleka, Rebecca Porcheddu, Chelsea Rammandala and Noah Upton.*

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Parish News

A Day with Mary

At English Martyrs Church, Strood, Kent ME2 4JA on Saturday 28th May 2022. See notice at the back of church.

School Vacancy

St Benedict's Catholic Primary School are recruiting a teaching assistant from September 2022. Please see more details at <u>https://www.st-benedicts.medway.sch.uk/our-school/staff</u>

Glad to Be Grey

Sun 22 May Closing Service at St David's Church Lordswood at 3pm

PARISH AGM

We are **still** waiting for some reports to come in. Many thanks to those who have sent them. Can we please have the rest of the reports so that we can plan a date for the meeting.

First Holy Communion Cards

Will be on sale at the back of the church this weekend.

Volunteers Needed for Tea/Coffee Rotas

We would like to start up Teas and Coffees after all weekend Masses and we need volunteers for rotas. If you would like to go onto a rota can you please ring Josie in the office or speak to Fr Pawel after Mass.

"Here I am, send me"

Have you ever considered you may be called to the priesthood or the religious life? Southwark Vocations will be hosting a 60 minute webinar on **Tuesday 24th May at 7pm entitled 'Here I am, send me'** where different presenters will speak about discovering God's plan for each one of us. Please join us by registering for the event in advance by following the link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84384912807?pwd=UWJzSzVsY2VTaGI3c09Fa0tNbVVWZ z09

Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world! You sent Your Son, the Prince of Peace, for the salvation of the world. We pray that the Peace of Christ will reign in Ukraine. Please protect and send aid to those in Ukraine and all who are at-risk. We pray for peace - we pray for all who are working towards it and for all who are in danger from this conflict. We pray for an end to violence and war - we pray for wisdom for all leaders who have a hand in this. Lord God, please help those in most need of your mercy. Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Saint Joseph, Protector of Mary, Jesus and the Church, pray for us! Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, may your kingdom reign in Ukraine and all the world. Amen.

Community Events

Sun 22 May	Collection for Refugee Crisis in Ukraine
	Mass in Polish at 4pm
	Concert for Ukraine at 6pm with
	refreshments and cakes during interval and raffle
Mon 23 May	Holy Rosary on Zoom at 7pm
Tue 24 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 25 May	Eucharistic Adoration 2pm - 10pm
Thu 26 May	Ascension of the Lord – Holyday of Obligation so
	Masses at 10am and 8pm
	Parish Social Team Meeting at 6.30 pm
Fri 27 May	Rehearsal for First Communion Mass 1 at 5pm in church
Sat 28 May	First Holy Communion Mass 1 at 2pm
Sun 29 May	Collection for World Communications
	Confirmation Mass at 11am celebrated by Canon Luke Smith
Mon 30 May	Funeral of Lee O'Loughlin at Medway Crematorium at 1pm
	Holy Rosary on Zoom at 7pm
Tue 31 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 1 Jun	Eucharistic Adoration 2pm - 10pm
Thu 2 Jun	Cubs/Scouts from 5.45pm onwards
	Choir practice 8pm in church
Sun 5 Jun	Collection for First Holy Communion Flowers
	Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass

WE CAN HELP

We're aware some parishioner may be struggling financially at the moment. Or some, who are hosting refugees, may be experiencing some financial difficulties until they can sort out the legal paperwork. If you need financial help, we do have a fund you can access. Please speak to Father Pawel if you need any help. As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are here to help. Please let us.