

## This Sunday (16<sup>th</sup> June) Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Psalm –91

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10

Gospel – Mark 4: 26-34    **4pm Mass in Polish – o szybki powrót do zdrowia dla Ks. Pawła**

## Intentions

6pm Paul Simpson RIP

9am Wellbeing of Fr Chris Keen

11am The People of the Parish



Parish Of St Simon Stock



16<sup>th</sup> June 2024

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year B

Newsletter

## DAY FOR LIFE

The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, *Day for Life* is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. This year it falls on **16 June**. The theme is *The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life*. A debate on end-of-life issues has been in the headlines in recent months with calls for assisted suicide being expressed, especially by celebrities, a view that opposes the Catholic view that life is a gift and that we are called to care for others at the end of their lives.

## Parish Notices:

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend is for Day for Life.
2. Please welcome Fr Neil Vincent who is saying 6pm Saturday Mass, and Monsignor Michael Nazir-Ali who is saying 9am and 11am Masses.
3. There will be Liturgy of the Word every day next week except Friday, when Fr Bart will be coming to say Mass for St Thomas More school at 9.30am.

**Hymns for 11am Mass: 474, 678, 151, 568**

### Entrance Antiphon

*O Lord hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.  
Do not abandon or forsake me, O God my Saviour!*

### Communion Antiphon

*One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.*

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am St John Rigby

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 9.30am St Aloysius Gonzaga

**St Thomas More School Mass**

Liturgy of the Word

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**Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm**

## Confessions:

**Saturdays 5.15pm to 5.45pm**

## Next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> June) Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Job 38: 1, 8-11

Psalm –106

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17

Gospel – Mark 4: 35-41

6pm William Wright RIP

9am Good health & Wellbeing of Joan & Richard Smith

11am The People of the Parish

## Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Charles Ward, Violet Owen, Victor Dowle, Peter McGurk, Patricia Emson, Dr Guy Tallon, Ellen Gavigan, John Kennedy & Mary Quinn. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Sick and Housebound:** 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**

**Mass Intentions:** 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. June Winners: £50 = No. 206 Marilyn Weiss    £25 = No. 160 Alessandra Rocco

**Parish Gift Aid Scheme:** If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please contact Sandra Rocco on 07720 772089

## **APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE 2024/2025**

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION**

We will be starting the next preparation in September for those children who are baptised Catholic and our parishioners, in Year 3 and above in September 2024. Please ask for an application form after weekend Masses. Each application is numbered and it is one per child. Please do not take an application for any other family but your own. **The Meeting for parents to hand in the applications forms is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm and IS THE ONLY TIME YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE HANDED IN.**

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**Please note: Parish Office is located in the new church extension**

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## Parish News

### TABLE TOP SALE 22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2024

We will be holding a table top sale on 22<sup>nd</sup> June in the parish car park at 11am. If anyone would like to help please setting up from 9am, contact Josie or Tanya in the parish office. Also, please come along and find lots of lovely bargains.

### UCM/KSC INTERNATIONAL FOOD EVENING - SATURDAY 6TH JULY

Date for the Diary! Our International Food Evening will be held on Saturday 6th July at 7pm. Tickets £10 for a family of four, £3 single ticket. Includes free raffle ticket. They will be on sale the weekends of 22/23rd & 29/30th June.

### BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE DAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024

from 9:30 to 4:30 pm at Carmel Hall, Sacred Heart Church Sittingbourne.

Presented by Pete and Carole from the Marriage and Family Life team.

### VACANCIES FOR FOUNDATION GOVERNORS AT ST THOMAS MORE

Please see noticeboard for details. Contact Mr Simon D'Souza for more info on 07925 326059 or dsous054@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk

### PARISH BAPTISM COURSE

The next Parish Baptism Course will be held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 10am to 1pm.

Please contact the parish office to apply.

### SVP & CAFOD IN THE RUN UP TO THE GENERAL ELECTION

As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. SVP and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see [cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://cafod.org.uk/encounter) or [svp.org.uk/encounter](http://svp.org.uk/encounter) for more information.

### NEW RCIA COURSE STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Do you or anyone you know want to explore the Catholic Faith further or become a full member of the Catholic Church? Join us this year as we embark on another RCIA course (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), where we will journey with you in faith exploration, as you get to know Jesus on a personal level, through scripture, witness and the teachings of the Catholic Church. For more info please speak to Fr Pawel.

**In these difficult times when finances are stretched to the limit, it is our Christian duty to help others. If you need financial support, please call. Fr. Pawel on the parish mobile or speak to him confidentially in person**



## Community Events

Sun 16 Jun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Day for Life Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass Mass in Polish at 4pm
Mon 17 Jun	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 18 Jun	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 19 Jun	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 20 Jun	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 21 Jun	St Thomas More School Mass at 9.30am Children's Choir practice in the church at 4.30pm
Sat 22 Jun	Parish Table Top Sale at 11am – 2pm in the car park
Sun 23 Jun	No 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend
Mon 24 Jun	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 25 Jun	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 26 Jun	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 27 Jun	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 28 Jun	Children's Choir practice in the church at 4.30pm
Sat 29 Jun	St Benedict's Summer Fayre 12pm to 4pm
Sun 30 Jun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend for Peter's Pence Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass

### Prayer for Peace

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 the whole world. Please protect and send aid to those 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 these conflicts. 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 all the world. Amen.