This Sunday (1st Sept) Readings

Intentions

1st Reading - Deut 4: 1-2, 6-8 6 pm For all who have prayed for Bridie & Michael Kyne Psalm -14

2nd Reading – James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27 Gospel - Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

9am Wellbeing of Martin Diddams **11am** The People of the Parish

Hymns for 11am Mass: 478, 90, 40, 602

Entrance Antiphon

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Mon 10am Feria Tue 10am St Gregory the Great Wed 10am Feria

Subbu Subbiah RIP Private Intention Healing for Fr Pawel

Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm

Thu 10am Feria Fri 8pm Feria Bill McDonagh RIP Holy Souls RIP

Confessions:

Fridays 7.15pm to 7.45pm & Saturdays 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sunday (8th Sept) Readings

Intentions

1st Reading - Isaiah 35: 4-7 Psalm -145 2nd Reading – James 2: 1-5

Gospel - Mark 7: 31-37

6 pm Alex Clav RIP 9am The People of the Parish 11am Matthew Rocco RIP

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Bob Mazza (funeral Mass Friday 20th September at 10am), and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: James Donaghue, Marie Donovan, Grace Joseph Raj, Anne D'Rosario, Sidney Connell, William Harding, Mary Barlow, Irene Tempczyk, Peter Gillingham, Francis Silk, Kathleen Loader, Maureen Hughes, Albert Welling and Francis Gordon. 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. Aug Winners: £50 = No. 49 Eileen Kehoe £25 = No. 299 Martin Cacafranca

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

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Parish Notices:

2nd Collection this weekend is Development Found. Next week it is for the Catholic Education Service.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON TUES, WED & FRI UNTIL 17TH SEPTEMBER.

THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation is an annual celebration uniting Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The season runs from September 1 to October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

Theme for the Season of Creation 2024

The theme for the Season of Creation 2024 is 'To hope and act with Creation' inspired by The firstfruits of hope (Rom 8:19-25). Hope is an instrument enabling us to overcome the natural law of decay. Hope is given to us by God as a protection and guard against futility. Only through hope we may realise the gift of freedom in fullness. Freedom to act not only to achieve enjoyment and prosperity, but to reach the stage in which we are free and responsible. Freedom and responsibility enable us to make the world a better place. Only when we work together with Creation can the firstfruits of hope emerge.

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Parish News

THE PARISH TEAM INVITES ALL PARISHIONERS TO A CHRISTMAS LUNCH

AT THE FRIARS, AYLESFORD ON FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER 2024 AT 1 PM.

If you would like to attend please email <u>lydiaburchell64@gmail.com</u>. The cost of the meal is £40.00 and The Friars require a £10.00 deposit per person. Please either bank transfer £10.00 to the Parish with the reference "meal deposit" or give into the Parish office in an envelope with your name & marked as "meal deposit". There is no menu available yet but as soon as it is a copy will be placed on the noticeboard. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

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.

BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

Any person who has made their First Holy Communion is eligible to become an Altar Server. Anyone can join this Ministry, but if you are under 18 years of age, please ask your parents/guardians to contact either Fr Pawel, Deacon Martin or Alfredo alfredoandtricia@yahoo.co.uk

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 dsus054@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk

GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST WEEKEND RETREAT.

Friday 4th - Sunday 6th October 2024. For anyone who has experienced bereavement, whether recently or some time ago. We grieve, remember, hope and give thanks for our loved ones in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus. Cost £260 Single shared £230. For more information and bookings contact: Tel: 01622 717 272 or email: reception@thefriars.org.uk

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 1 Sep	2 nd Collection this weekend for the Development Fund
Mon 2 Sep	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 3 Sep	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 4 Sep	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 5 Sep	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only No Adult Choir practice until 19th September
Fri 6 Sep	No Children's choir practice until 13 th September.
Sun 8 Sep	2 nd Collection for the Catholic Education Service
Mon 9 Sep	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 10 Sep	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 11 Sep	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 12 Sep	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only No Adult Choir practice until 19th September
Fri 13 Sep	Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church
Sat 14 Sep	MASS OF COMMITMENT FOR NEW RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE AT 6PM
Sun 15 Sep	2 nd Collection for the Catholic Agency for the Support of Evangelisation MASS OF COMMITMENT FOR NEW RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE AT 9AM AND 11AM

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.