

## This Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup> Sept) Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20

Psalm –53

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – James 3: 16 – 4: 3

Gospel – Mark 9: 30-37

## Intentions

6pm Praying for a Secure Job

9am The People of the Parish

11am Blessings on Anthony & Bola Seidu on their

25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**Hymns for 11am Mass: 74, 608, 585, 663, 40, 233**

### Entrance Antiphon

*Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.  
Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.*

### Communion Antiphon

*How precious is your mercy, O God!  
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.*

Mon 10am Saint Pious of Pietrelcina

Tue 10am Our Lady of Walsingham

Wed 10am Feria

**Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm**

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 8pm St Vincent de Paul

Bridie McManus RIP

Private Intention

Liz Watts RIP

Rob & Tina Alston RIP

Billy Bogyle RIP

### Confessions:

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

## Next Sunday (29<sup>th</sup> Sept) Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Numbers 11: 25-29

Psalm –18

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – James 5: 1-6

Gospel – Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

## Intentions

6pm Candy Viegas & Family RIP

9am Malachy Barry RIP

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: John Glover, Margaret Moran, Kathleen Mamara, Mark Sullivan, Kenneth Lilly, Ana Carrasco, Rose Sedgley, Joseph Tomankiewicz, Richard Cox, Fr Paul Ryan, Ann Lichfield, Bill Dobbs, Nellie Kyne, George Fleming & Kathleen McCarthy. 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. Sept Winners: £50 = No. 116 – Bob Bushnell £25 = No. 2 – Maureen Searle

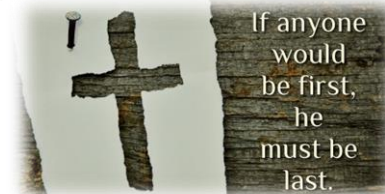
**Parish Gift Aid Scheme:** If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please contact Sandra Rocco on 07720 772089

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Newsletter

## Parish Notices:

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend is for McMillan Cancer Support. We have all been touched by cancer - either ourselves or someone close to us, and this charity listens, supports people through their treatment and helps with finances when needed. They do whatever it takes to give people the support they need, so let's give them our support. Please give generously.

## NEXT WEEKEND IS OUR HARVEST FOODBANK COLLECTION

Thank you to all our parishioners who contribute to our weekly Foodbank collections. Our warehouse shelves are very empty at the moment and we know we will need to continue to help individuals and families in Medway during the next few winter months. So, over the weekend of September 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual Parish Harvest Collection for Medway Foodbank. You will find a Harvest 2024 Shopping List in your newsletter this weekend or on the table in the foyer. Please put your donations in the Medway Foodbank Collecting Boxes next weekend. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to help others.

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

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## Parish News

### **DONATIONS NEEDED FOR "CHRISTMAS" FAIR**

**Sorry for the gratuitous use of the "C" word so early in September, but can we please ask you to start bringing in bottles for our tombola stall at our "Christmas" Fair on 23<sup>rd</sup> November.**

### **AFTERNOON FOR READERS SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2-4PM**

to introduce the new translation for the Lectionary. To address questions such as: Why the change in translation? How is it different from the translation we're using now? What different sorts of translation are there? What does it mean in practice, for readers? How is the Lectionary arranged? Also, an opportunity to reflect on some broader questions: The Word of God in the life of the Church. How we understand the Old Testament in the light of our faith in Christ. **Led by Bishop Paul Hendricks at Church hall of St Thomas of Canterbury, 59 Burgate, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 2HJ**

NOTE: The hall will be open from 1pm, for anyone who may like to come early and bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee available.

### **UCM**

**Knitted Teddies** – Thank you to those who knitted these for the Women's Refuge. We now have 20 to send off. If you are still knitting please pass them onto us whenever you are ready.

**Anniversary Mass Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11am.** All parishioners are invited to celebrate with us at Mass and afterwards at small reception in the Hall.

### **GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST WEEKEND RETREAT.**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:reception@thefriars.org.uk)

### **Youth Retreat at St. John Fisher School**

The next Diocesan Youth Retreat for 13-17 year olds will be **on Saturday 12 October at St. John Fisher School, City Way, Rochester, ME1 2AE.** Fee: £5. The day will be delivered by the Dominicans on the theme of "Prayer". Don't miss out! Group leaders and parents book at [tinyurl.com/retreat12oct](http://tinyurl.com/retreat12oct).

### **Service for hope & healing - 25 September**

On Wednesday 25 September at 6.30pm, the [annual service of hope and healing](#) for those harmed by abuse, and for those supporting the people who have been harmed, is taking place at St George's Cathedral.

## Community Events

Sun 22 Sep	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for McMillan Cancer Support
Mon 23 Sep	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 24 Sep	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 25 Sep	<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm</b>
Thu 26 Sep	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir Practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 27 Sep	Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church Parish Social Team Meeting in the Parish Office at 6pm
Sun 29 Sep	Medway Foodbank Collection <b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS</b>
Mon 30 Sep	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 1 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm UCM Meeting in the parish hall at 7.30pm
Wed 2 Oct	<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm</b>
Thu 3 Oct	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Finance Meeting in the parish office at 6.30pm Adult Choir Practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 4 Oct	<b>CAFOD FAST DAY</b> Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church
Sun 6 Oct	2 <sup>nd</sup> CAFOD FAST DAY COLLECTION

### 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.

**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.**

