This Sunday (29th Sept) Readings

1st Reading – Numbers 11: 25-29 Psalm –18

2nd Reading – James 5: 1-6 Gospel – Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

<u>Intentions</u>

6pm Candy Viegas & Family RIP 9am Malachy Barry RIP 11am The People of the Parish

Hymns for 11am Mass: 769, 81, 517, 88

Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Mon 10am St Jerome

Tue 10am St Therese of the Child Jesus Wed 10am The Holy Guardian Angels

Bill & Jean McDonald RIP Private Intention Wellbeing of Mavis Westbrook

Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm

Thu 10am Feria

Pasqualina Scalera RIP

The Holy Souls RIP

Fri 9.30am St Francis of Assisi - St Thomas More school Mass NO 8 PM MASS TODAY

Confessions:

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sunday (6th Oct) Readings

1st Reading – Genesis 2: 18-24 Psalm –127

2nd Reading – Hebrews 2: 9-11

2nd Reading – Hebrews 2: 9-11 Gospel – Mark 10: 2-16

Intentions

6pm Shinead Francis & Family RIP9am The People of the Parish11am UCM Anniversary Mass

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Francine Bettridge, Charlotte Long, Anne Southgate, Freddy Abela, Shirley Desombre, John White, Judith Goodwin, Ivy Johnson & James Wenban. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

<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. 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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Parish Notices:

- **1.** Next Friday 3^{rd} October is CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. Please take an envelope from the back of the church and return it next Sunday with your donation inside for the 2^{nd} Collection.
- **2.** Next Friday 3rd October there will only be Mass at 9.30am for St Thomas More school's Harvest Celebration. Because of Fr Emmanuel Onwu's Induction Mass at Rainham parish that evening there will be no Confessions at 7.15pm and no 8pm Mass.

THIS 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 this weekend we will have our annual Parish Harvest Collection for Medway Foodbank. Please put your donations in the Medway Foodbank Collecting Boxes and thank you for your continued support and generosity to help others.

THE CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

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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 23rd November.
- ➤ We also need luxury food items for our Christmas Hamper raffle (please make sure there is a long date on them).

AFTERNOON FOR READERS SATURDAY 2ND 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

<u>Knitted Teddies</u> – 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.

<u>Anniversary Mass Sunday 6th October at 11am</u>. 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 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

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL CITY WAY ROCHESTER ME1 2AE

<u>Calling all past students and staff</u>, you are warmly invited to come and say hello to the new school on City Way Sat 5th October 9am to 1pm.

<u>The next Diocesan Youth Retreat</u> for 13-17 year olds will be **on Saturday 12** October at St. John Fisher School, 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 <u>tinyurl.com/retreat12oct</u>.

Community Events

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Sun 29 Sep	Medway Foodbank Collection CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS
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	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
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	CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church
Sun 6 Oct	CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY COLLECTION
Mon 7 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 8 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Support Group in the parish hall at 7.30pm
Wed 9 Oct	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 10 Oct	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir Practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 11 Oct	Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church
Sat 12 Oct	Reconciliation Class In The Church and Hall at 10am
Sun 13 Oct	No 2 nd Collection this weekend. 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.

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.

