

This Sunday (23rd Feb) Readings

1st Reading – 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 13-13, 22-33

Psalm – 103

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49

Gospel – Luke 5: 27-38

Intentions

6pm Miachel Kyne RIP

9am Anna Chenley RIP

11am The people of the Parish

Hymns for 11am Mass: 74, 467, 608, 951, 813, 602

Ent Antiphon: O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Psalm response: The Lord is compassionate and gracious.

Alleluia, Alleluia! A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

Comm Antiphon: I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am Feria

Liturgy of the Word

Matthew Rocco RIP

Jones Family Intentions

Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 8pm Feria

Birthday Blessings Brian Jerstice

Allan Fowler RIP

CONFESSIONS

Friday 7.15pm to 7.50pm & Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sunday (2nd Mar) Readings

1st Reading – Sirach 27: 4-7

Psalm – 92

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 15: 54 - 58

Gospel – Luke 6: 39-45

Intentions

6pm Hilda Knight RIP

9am The People of the Parish

11am Jeff Austin RIP

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Molly Bridger, Elizabeth McGrath, Leonard Miller, Clare Hartley, Joyce O'Neill, Margaret Bushnell, Oliver Slack, Luke Barber, Albert Attwood, Stephanie Duffy, Lucia Burslow, Patrick Egan and Allan Fowler. 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. Feb Winners £50 = No. 107 Margaret Harris £25 = No. 232 UCM

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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But I say to you who hear,
LOVE YOUR ENEMIES
do good to those who hate you

Luke 6:27

23rd February 2025

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Newsletter



1. This weekend the 2nd Collection is for the Clergy Support Fund.

The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much. They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones. Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have one for parishes. You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible, find out how to donate to the Clergy Support Fund at www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF or scan QR code. You can also donate via telephone office hours Mon-Fri 020 7960 2504 or by using the Clergy Support Fund envelopes available today at the back of Church. Please continue to keep our Priests in your prayers.



2. On Monday, 24th February at 7.30 pm, there will be a session in the Parish Hall led by Fr Pawel entitled: 'What does the Bible say about hope? Part 1'

All are welcome.

What does the Bible say about hope?

Part 1

*Monday 24th February at 7.30 pm
in the Parish Hall*

*Session led by:
Fr Pawel Sobol*



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Parish News

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

As usual, during Lent, there will be **Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7.15pm** and Mondays after morning Mass. If you would like to lead the Friday evening Stations of the Cross - please let Josie in the office know which Friday you would like to lead. Thank you.

100 CLUB

Can we please remind all those who subscribe to our 100 Club that your yearly subscription of £12 per number is due by next weekend. If you wish to pay by bank transfer the details are: Nat West Bank Sort Code: 60-50-01 Account Number: 79144055 Name of Account: St Simon Stock RC Church 100 Club Please note that when paying online the account name will display as: ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN TRUST

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

Beginning Experience is a special residential weekend programme for widowed, separated and divorced people, which helps participants with natural feelings of grief and loss. The weekend is led by trained volunteers, who have experienced having to adjust to life as single people again. This next programme will be held on 4-6 April at the Sion Community, Essex; for further details please contact: Mary: 07730 884315, or email BeginningExperience.SoE@gmail.com.

GRIEF IN LOSS

Grief in Loss, Hope in Christ retreat for the bereaved - Aylesford Priory 21-23 March 2025 and 10-12 Oct 2025

JUBILEE CELEBRATION DAY AT AYLESFORD PRIORY 7TH JUNE 2025

Led by Archbishop John Wilson, we will gather as an Archdiocese at The Friars, Aylesford for a day of prayer, reflection, celebration, and fun, with the whole point of the celebrations Mass at 3pm. There will be lots of activities, for children as well as for adults. This will be the centre-piece event of the 2025 Jubilee in the Archdiocese of Southwark. There will also be a walking pilgrimage from St George's Cathedral in Southwark to The Friars (2-6 June 2025). **The event itself is free.** You can find out more about the event, including how to join the walking pilgrimage, and the wider Jubilee Year plans in the Archdiocese at rcaos.org.uk/jubilee2025.



When I need help...

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 23 Feb	2nd Collection for Clergy Support Fund CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS Liturgy Committee Meeting in Parish Office after 11am Mass
Mon 24 Feb	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm Session in the Parish Hall at 7.30 pm "What does the Bible say about hope? Part 1"
Tue 25 Feb	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 26 Feb	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 27 Feb	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir Practice at 8pm in the church. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in Parish Office at 6.30 pm
Fri 28 Feb	Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church Confirmation Class in the Parish Hall at 6.30pm
Sat 1 Mar	First Holy Communion Class in Church and Hall at 10am
Sun 2 Mar	2nd Collection for the Development Fund
Mon 3 Mar	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 4 Mar	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm UCM Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Wed 5 Mar	ASH WEDNESDAY
Thu 6 Mar	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir Practice at 8pm in the church.
Fri 7 Mar	Children's choir practice at 4.30pm in the church Confirmation Class in the Parish Hall at 6.30pm
Sun 9 Mar	Lenten Medway Foodbank 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.