

This Sunday (6th April) Readings

1st Reading – Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15

Psalm – 103

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

Gospel – John 8:1-11

Intentions

6pm Lee O'Loughlin RIP

9am Tadeusz Poręba RIP

11am The People of the Parish

Hymns for 11am Mass: 398, 71, 951, 813, 81, 801

Ent Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Psalm response: *What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad.*

Glory to you, O Christ, Son of the living God. Even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, for I am gracious and merciful. Glory to you, O Christ, Son of the living God.

Comm Antiphon: Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.
Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Mon 10am Feria

After Mass- Stations of the Cross

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am Feria

In Thanksgiving – Mendez Family

Liturgy of the Word

Madeleine Carcabuk RIP

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 7.15pm STATION OF THE CROSS

8pm Feria

Wellbeing of Baby Leia

Health & Wellbeing of the Pearson Family

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am - 9.55am

Friday 6.30pm to 7.10pm & Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sunday (13th Apr) Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm – 22

2nd Reading – Philippians 2: 6-11

Gospel – Luke 19: 28-40

Intentions

6pm Gianfranco Campolo RIP

9am Pina de Vergori RIP

11am The People of the Parish

Passion Luke 22: 14-23: 56

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Monsignor Canon John O'Toole who grew up in this parish, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Di Woods, Bernard Kingham, Gerry Walsh, Prudence Ahmedzai, John Higgins, Vivienne Lamb, Rosaleen McPhillips, Richard Billing, Peter Walsh, Michael McDonough, Bridie Doogan, Bishop Charles Henderson, James Cleary, Joseph Lynch and Melven Taylor. 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. Mar Winners £50 = No. 268 Kevin Leahy £25 = No. 110 James Carmichael

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 Of St Simon Stock



6th April 2025

5th Sunday of Lent C

Newsletter

Parish notices:

1. 2nd Collection this weekend is for the Development Fund. Next weekend there is no 2nd Collection.
2. Please note that next weekend all Masses will start from the blessing of palms. The blessing will take place on school car park, **so parking space will be limited next weekend.**
3. **Stations of the Cross** during Lent on Mondays after morning Mass and Fridays at 7.15 pm.
4. **LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE- at 6pm on Monday 14th April.** There will be visiting priests available to hear your confessions.
5. Please see sign-up sheets in the lobby for Volunteers for Feet Washing and Readers/Eucharistic Ministers/Servers for Easter Triduum services.
6. The UCM ladies will be selling Easter Eggs in Bunny Baskets & Lollipop Bunnies for £1 each at all weekend Masses on 12th & 13th April. So remember to bring some cash! **Answers to the Quiz must be handed in this weekend.**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

From now on Josie will only be working on Tuesdays and Fridays, so the parish office will not be open on Wednesdays. Monday and Thursday office hours will remain the same.

BECOME A PARISH WELCOMER

We would like to start having Parish Welcomers at each weekend Mass. This would mean getting to Mass 25 minutes early to greet people and hand out newsletters etc. If you would like to be involved, please ring the parish office.

Priest: Fr Pawel Sobol, 5, Bleakwood Road, Walderslade, Kent. ME5 0NF. Email: pawelsobol@rcaos.org.uk

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Parish Safeguarding Rep Margaret Whitworth: waldersladesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk tel: 07811 852267

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

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Mrs. S. L. McAlpine 01634 669700

St Thomas More

Mrs P Le Breton (Acting Head of School) 01634 864701

Parish News

DEAR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION!!!

Thank you very much for your faithful and generous service in our Parish community. On Maundy Thursday 17th April 2025 during Holy Mass of the Lord Supper at 8 pm there will be a renewal of Commitment for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. All of you are very welcome to do so, on that very day when we are commemorating the institution of the sacrament of the Eucharist.

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR CHURCH CLEANING GROUP

We are in need of more cleaners to join our Church Cleaning rota. The church cleaning is usually done on Fridays or Saturdays. If you would like to join the team, please contact the parish office. **The more people we have the less often you will be on the rota**

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS SUNDAY 11TH MAY 12.30PM

We will be celebrating the Feast of St Simon Stock with the usual sponsored walk, barbecue and desserts. We will also hold a plant stall and bottle tombola and there will be games for the children. **THERE WILL BE NO SUMMER FAYRE THIS YEAR.**

PLANT STALL

PLEASE CAN EVERYONE WITH GREEN FINGERS TAKING CUTTINGS OR PLANTING SEEDS REMEMBER TO DO EXTRA FOR OUR ST SIMON STOCK FEAST DAY PLANT STALL ON 11TH MAY. Many thanks

JUBILEE CELEBRATION DAY AT AYLESFORD PRIORY 7TH JUNE 2025

Led by Archbishop John Wilson, a day of prayer, reflection, celebration, and fun, with the whole point of the celebrations Mass at 3pm. There will also be a walking pilgrimage from St George's Cathedral in Southwark to The Friars (2-6 June) **Find out more at rcaos.org.uk/jubilee2025.**

CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025

The Catholic Association Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place Fri 22 Aug to Fri 29 Aug 2025! Register your interest: <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/> Join us on Zoom on Saturday 26 April 2025, 12.30 pm, Meeting ID: 896 6988 0904, Passcode: 855566

NEW FOUNDATION GOVERNORS - ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School are looking for new Foundation Governors. If you are interested in volunteering and would like to find out more about what is involved, please contact Mr Simon D'Souza, Chair of Governors on dsous54@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk or on 0792 5326 059.

Community Events

Sun 6 Apr	2 nd Collection for Development Fund
Mon 7 Apr	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 8 Apr	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Support Group in the Parish Hall at 7pm
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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.

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.