

This Sun (28th Sept) Readings

1st Reading –Habbakuk 1: 2-3, 2: 2-4
Psalm –95
2nd Reading –2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14
Gospel – Luke 17: 5-10

Intentions

6pm: Michael Fortune RIP
9am The People of the Parish
11am UCM Anniversary Mass

Hymns for 11am Mass: 386, 608, 585, 72, 395, 263

Ent Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Psalm response: *O that today you would listen to his voice harden not your hearts.*

Gospel Acc: *Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you. Alleluia.*

Comm: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Mon 10am St Bruno

Tue 10am Our Lady of the Rosary

Wed 10am Feria

Liturgy of the Word

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM

Thu 10am St John Henry Newman

Fri 8pm Feria

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sun (5th Oct) Readings

1st Reading –2 Kings 5: 14-17

Psalm –98

2nd Reading –2 Timothy 2: 8-13

Gospel – Luke 17: 11-19

Intentions

6pm: Alex Clay RIP

9am The People of the Parish

11am Philip Oladipo Seidu & Janet Aduke Seidu RIP

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Ivy Johnson, James Wenban, Ann Sparrow, Daniel O'Kelly, Audrey Simmons and Janet Butter, . 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., and 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. Oct Winners **£50 No 265 = Sandra Rocco £25 No 197 = Marie Watkins**

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



Parish Of St Simon Stock



5th October 2025

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Newsletter

Parish notices:

The 2nd collection this weekend is for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day envelopes. You will find an envelope at the back of church for your offering.

FOODBANK HARVEST COLLECTION.

Please put your donations in the Collecting Boxes this weekend. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to help others in Medway.

The Ladies of UCM are celebrating their Anniversary Mass this Sunday

5th Oct at 11am. We will also be enrolling our latest new members.

After Mass there will be refreshments in the Hall to which all parishioners are invited.

Sunday Collection 28, 9.25 – With grateful thanks for the generosity of our parishioners and visitors:

1st Coll: £57 gift aided, £255.35 non-gift aided. 2nd Coll: £71.16 (Home Missions).

September Standing Orders £107 non gift aided, £2969.10 gift aided.

September Card payments: 1st Coll non gift aided - £270, 1st coll gift aided £180

Development Fund £125. MacMillan Cancer £55. Home Missions £10

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St Thomas More

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Parish News

RCIA COURSE MONDAY EVENINGS 7.30PM IN PARISH OFFICE

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 Joseph or Denise Smith.

CAN YOU HELP? * WEDNESDAY ADORATION FROM 2PM – 10PM*

We have 30 Adorers who have committed to come to Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday for a specific hour. What's the problem? We need at least 1 more person to commit to the following hours: 3- 4 pm; 4 - 5 pm and 5 - 6 pm. Could that be you? If not an hour every week, could you spare 30 minutes? You will be giving up that time but the benefit will be great because you will be with the Lord, safe in his presence and feeling the power of prayer during that time. Think about it? Can't you find some time in your day on a Wednesday for the Lord?

KEEPING THE FIRES BURNING - NEXT MEETING 20TH OCTOBER

These meetings will be on a once a month basis in the parish hall on Mondays from 7:30-9pm. Please join us for these evenings of praise, worship and thanksgiving and reflection on scriptures with an opportunity to share what great things God is doing in our lives. Please see Martha Nwodo (Ugwu), or Denise Smith to be added to the WhatsApp group.

BEREAVMENT SUPPORT GROUP

We usually meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month in the hall. The poster in the foyer gives details of how they can help you come to terms with your grief and loss of a loved one. From this month onwards, if you feel this could help you, please let us have your details through the church email and we will put you in touch with one of the members of the group to discuss arrangements for attending a session, and this will ensure that there will be a member in attendance on that day.

POST OF SACRISTAN FOR WEEKDAY MASSES

We need a volunteer to be Sacristan for the weekday Masses. Fr will offer any training needed. A DBS will be required for this post.



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 Joseph on the parish mobile or speak to him confidentially in person.

Community Events

Sun 5 Oct	CAFOD Family Fast Day envelopes.
Mon 6 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm RCIA Meeting in the Parish Office at 7.30pm
Tue 7 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm UCM Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Wed 8 Oct	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
Thu 9 Oct	Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 10 Oct	Children's choir today at 4.30pm in the church Social Team Meeting in parish office at 6pm
Sat 11 Oct	Reconciliation Class in the Parish Hall & Church at 10am
Sun 12 Oct	No 2nd Collection today.
Mon 13 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm RCIA Meeting in the Parish Office at 7.30pm
Tue 14 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Support Group in the Parish Hall at 7pm
Wed 15 Oct	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
Thu 16 Oct	Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 17 Oct	Children's choir today at 4.30pm in the church
Sat 18 Oct	Baptism Course in the Parish Hall 10am to 1pm
Sun 19 Oct	2nd Collection for World Mission Sunday (Missio)

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.