

## **This Sun (12<sup>th</sup> 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

**Hymns for 11am Mass: 745, 530, 585, 862, 40, 238**

**Ent Antiphon:** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

**Psalm response:** *The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.*

**Gospel Acc:** *Alleluia, alleluia! In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Alleluia.*

**Comm:** The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Mon 10am St Edward the Confessor

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am St Teresa of Jesus

**NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 8pm St Ignatius of Antioch

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## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

**Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm**

## **Next Sun (19<sup>th</sup> Oct) Readings**

1st Reading –Exodus 17: 8-13

Psalm –121

2nd Reading –2 Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 2

Gospel – Luke 18:1-8

## **Intentions**

6pm Margaret Ward RIP

9am The People of the Parish

11am Philomena Mendez RIP

**Sunday Collection 5.10.25** – With grateful thanks for the generosity of our parishioners and visitors:

1<sup>st</sup> Coll: £62 gift aided, £83.50 non-gift aided. 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll: £78.16 (CAFOD).

## **Deaths and Anniversaries**

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Sheila Ellery, Doris Pollitt, Bridget Flaherty, Ann Billing, Georgina Ford, Tom Dolan, Mrs M Peers, John McGovern, Lillian Nelson, David Farley, Edward Chambers, Janet Shebioba, Mary Deignan, Sarah Jane Hockney and Archbishop Michael Bowen. 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

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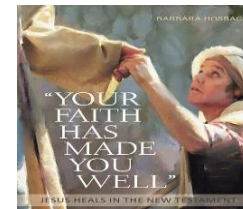
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Parish Of St Simon Stock



12<sup>th</sup> October 2025



28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year C

## **Newsletter**

### **Parish notices:**

There is no 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend. Next weekend it is for World Missions (Missio).

**THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED ALL NEXT WEEK FOR REDECORATION. THERE WILL BE NO SERVICES OR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION. THE PARISH HALL AND PARISH OFFICE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS AS NORMAL.**

### **PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Our Christmas Fayre is on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 11am to 2pm. This is a major fundraising event for the parish. We would be very grateful for your donations of bottles for the bottle stall and also any unwanted gifts or toiletries.

**The booklet in your newsletter this week identifies all areas in the parish that need improvement or replacement, the time scale in which this should happen, and the projected costs. These costs have to be met by monies received from the general collections and those for the Development Fund.**

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

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St Benedict's

St Thomas More

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## Parish News

### VACANCY FOR LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR AT ST BENEDICTS SCHOOL

Part time position 5 hours per week 12pm – 1pm Mon to Fr term time only. For more info please contact the school on 01634 669700 or [office@st-benedicts.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-benedicts.medway.sch.uk) Closing Date 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Please see noticeboard for more details.

### 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 20<sup>TH</sup> 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 (by appointment)

We usually meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 12 Oct	No 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection today. <b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS TODAY</b>
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	<b>NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION</b>
Thu 16 Oct	Adult choir at 8pm in the Parish Office
Fri 17 Oct	Children's choir today at 4.30pm in the Parish Hall
Sat 18 Oct	Baptism Course in the Parish Hall 10am to 1pm Knights of St Columba Meeting in Parish Hall at 3pm
Sun 19 Oct	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for World Mission Sunday (Missio)
Mon 20 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm Keeping the Fires Burning in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Tue 21 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 22 Oct	<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM</b>
Thu 23 Oct	Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 24 Oct	Children's choir today at 4.30pm in the church
Sun 26 Oct	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Development Fund

## 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.