

This Sun (19th 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

Hymns for 11am Mass: 633, 160, 585, 663, 542, 386

Ent Antiphon: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Psalm response: *Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.*

Gospel Acc: *Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia.*

Comm: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am Feria

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 8pm Feria

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM

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NO SERVICE TODAY

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sun (26th Oct) Readings

1st Reading –Sirach 35: 15-17, 20-22

Psalm –34

2nd Reading –2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Gospel – Luke 18: 9-14

Intentions

6pm Gerard D'Souza RIP

9am Dora Richardson RIP

11am The People of the Parish

Sunday Collection – With grateful thanks for the generosity of our parishioners and visitors: see next week's newsletter for 12th and 19th October totals

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: David Kelly, Patrick Alvares, Michael Twomey, Margaret Ward, Philomena Mendez, Wilhemena Carter, Daniel Holland, Fred Clinch, Ted Twohig, Mrs Diprose, Dorothy Haley, Lillian Whitehouse, Laura Seward, Aduke Janet Seidu. 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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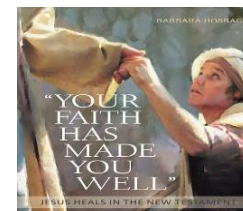


Parish Of St Simon Stock



26th October 2025

30th Sunday of the Year C



Newsletter

Parish notices:

The 2nd collection this weekend is for the Development Fund.

Please could as many people as possible with **red missio boxes** bring them to mass next weekend 25/26 October and give them to either, Adrian or Catherine Hockney, before you enter the church. It is the last collection of the year and it would be helpful to have as many boxes as possible so that the final accounts for 2025 can be completed. They will be at all masses standing outside before mass. Please do not leave any boxes in the church. If you are unable to bring them next weekend please contact (Tel:01634 862877; or email: adrianhockney@btinternet.com) and I will arrange to collect them. Your boxes will be returned the following weekend 1/2 November. Thank you."

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Our Christmas Fayre is on 22nd 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. Can we also ask for donations of luxury foodstuff items for our Christmas Hamper Raffle as we will be making up the hampers on 19th November ready for the Christmas Fayre when we will start selling raffle tickets.

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St Thomas More

Mrs. P Le Breton 01634 864701

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 Closing Date 27th 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 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 (by appointment)

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.

Sun 19 Oct	2nd 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	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
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	2nd Collection for Development Fund CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS
Mon 27 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm RCIA in the Parish Office at 7.30pm
Tue 28 Oct	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 29 Oct	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
Thu 30 Oct	Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 31 Oct	Children's choir today at 4.30pm in the church
Sun 2 Nov	No 2nd Collection today

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.

Community Events