

This Sun (5TH Apr) Readings

1st Reading – Acts 10: 34, 37-43

Psalm –118

2nd Reading –Colossians 3: 1-4

Passion: John 20: 1-9

Hymns for 11am Mass: 731, 566, 32, 585, 730, 914, 728

Ent Antiphon I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm response *This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.*

Gospel Acc: Alleluia, alleluia. Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed;

let us therefore celebrate the festival in the Lord. Alleluia.

Com. Anti: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Mon 10am Easter Octave

Tue 10am Easter Octave

Wed 10am Easter Octave

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM

Thu 10am Easter Octave

Fri 8pm Easter Octave

Birthday Blessings Finn Jerstice

Birthday Blessings Chichi Nwodoh

Madeleine Carcabuk RIP

Martin Diddams RIP

Jacob Lebeter RIP

Intentions

8pm Martin Galliers RIP

9am Ted Searle RIP

11am The People of the Parish



Parish Of St Simon Stock



5th April 2026

Easter Sunday A

**O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!
O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer! O truly blessed night, worthy alone to know the time and hour when Christ rose from the underworld. This is the night of which it is written: The night shall be as bright as day, dazzling is the night for me, and full of grace [from the Exultet at the Easter Vigil].**

Alleluia, Alleluia, the Lord is Risen. He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

Happy Easter and welcome everyone to our Mass. At this Mass the renewal of Baptismal Promises replaces the Creed. I wish to thank you for your generous Easter offerings.

Also, I thought I would share with you some of the details of the upcoming Feast of St Simon Stock Weekend. We plan to make a parish pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory on Sunday the 10th May after 11am Mass. Those who do not plan to walk are invited to meet us at the Friars where we will pray together as a parish. There will be the normal 6pm Mass at the Church on the evening of the 16th of May. On Sunday, 17th May, I will combine the 9:00am & 11:00am Mass, to a joint Mass at 10:00am. This will give us the opportunity to commence the Celebration on the Church Field earlier than normal. The one Mass will also help to foster Parish togetherness. I would very much like the Sunday Mass especially the homily, to include contributions from individuals from within the congregation, who are able to speak about their St Simon Stock experience, memories, and what our Church means to them. This can be someone who has been attending the Church for a long or short time, it's the message that they convey which is important. Anyone who wishes to do this, speak with me or Deacon Martin for further details. There will be a BBQ, and the opportunity for everyone to bring food and drink, so please put the dates in your diary, further details will be supplied in due course.

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Friday 7.15pm to 7.45pm Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sun (12th Apr) Readings

1st Reading – Acts 2: 42-47

Psalm –118

2nd Reading –1 Peter 1: 3-9

Passion: John 20: 19-31

Intentions

6pm Wellbeing of Les & Kim Boulton

9am Pina De Vergori & Gianfranco Campolo RIP

11am The People of the Parish

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Brenda Penrose, 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, and James Cleary. 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. Mar Winners: £50 No 246 Christine Flood £25 No 170 Leonard Bradshaw

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 News

DROP IN SESSIONS WITH FR JOSEPH

No drop-in sessions until 21st April.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS 2026

these will run on Saturday mornings, 10.00 – 13.00 approx. on 18th April, 11th July and 17th October. If you would like your child to be baptised please let the office know which session you will be attending.

BEREAVMENT SUPPORT GROUP (by appointment)

We usually meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month in the hall. **If you would like to come along 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.

MASS CELEBRATING MARRIAGE, JULY 11TH, AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year? please let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than the middle of May**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Contact us at mflkent@rcaos.org.uk please write your parish location e.g. Walderslade

PLANT STALL

Can all our green-fingered parishioners please plant extra seeds/take cuttings for our Plant Stall this year on Sunday 17th May

COLLECTIONS

22/3/26: 1st Coll GA £87, Non-GA £141.96 2nd Coll Poor Parishes £85.40

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 Apr	Collection personal to your priest
Mon 6 Apr	No Rosary on Zoom
Tue 7 Apr	No Evening Prayer on Zoom UCM in Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Wed 8 Apr	ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM
Thu 9 Apr	Finance Meeting at 6pm in the Parish Office No Adult Choir Practice
Fri 10 Apr	Social Team Meeting in the Parish Office at 6pm No Confirmation Class
Sat 11 Apr	Legion of Mary Meeting at 10am in the Parish Office
Sun 12 Apr	No 2 nd Collection
Mon 13 Apr	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 14 Apr	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Support Group in Parish Hall at 7pm
Wed 15 Apr	ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM
Thu 16 Apr	Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 17 Apr	No Confirmation Class
Sat 18 Apr	Legion of Mary Meeting at 10am in the Parish Office Baptism Course in Parish Hall 10am to 1pm
Sun 19 Apr	2 nd Collection for Development Fund Liturgy Committee Meeting in Parish Office at 12.15pm

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