

This Sun (27th Sep) Readings

1st Reading – Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalm – Ps 25:4-5. 6-7. 8-9

2nd Reading - Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel - Matthew 21:28-32

Hymns for 11am Mass: 40, 285, 585, 187, 151, 209

Ent Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Psalm: Remember your compassion, O LORD.

Gospel Acc: Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia.

Com: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I have brought low

Mon 10am Feria Thanks for safe trip to Nigeria & for Parishioners who supported her (Martha Ugwu)

Tue 10am SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels Ints of Chris and Minnie Jones

Wed 10am St Jerome Davison Family intentions

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM

Thu 10am St Therese of the Child Jesus **Liturgy of the Word**

Fri 8pm Holy Guardian Angels Rosaline Ugwu RIP & God's favour on Ugwu family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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

Next Sun (4th Oct) Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm – Ps 80:9, 12 13-14 15-16 19-20 Isaiah 5:7

2nd Reading – Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Intentions

6pm Brian Mackey RIP

9am Wellbeing of Les and Kim Boulton

11am People of the Parish

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Sheila Ulph (funeral at 1pm Friday 9th October) and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Kathleen McCarthy, Francine Bettridge, Charlotte Long, Anne Southgate, Freddy Abela, Shirley Desombre and Brian Mackey. 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. August Winners: 1st £50.00 – Violet Guezenech 2nd £25.00 Helen Burgess

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

Intentions

6pm Birthday wishes For Rutando Zinyuke

9am In Thanksgiving for safe arrival of Hugo & Felix

11am People of the Parish



Parish Of St Simon Stock

27th September 2026



26th Sunday Year A



This is the QR Code for First Collections for your convenience and flexibility. Please scan to donate. You can still donate using the gift aid envelopes or the contactless machines in the church lobby (please insert your card in this one) and the hall, or just by putting money in the offertory bag.

The Parable of Two Sons has had a range of interpretations over the years. Their father asks them to go and work in his vineyard. The first says “No,” but later changes his mind and goes. The second says ‘Yes,’ but does not go. Our mission is to say ‘yes’ to our Faith not only with our lips, but with our lives.

World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees. The Church has been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees since 1914. It is always an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move; to pray for them as they face many challenges; and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. The theme this year is ‘Even Just One of These Children’. To read Pope Leo XIV’s message for today, and a Guide for Parishes and Catechists developed by the Caritas Social Action Network, please visit: cbcew.org.uk/wdmr.

Now everyone can read and hear the Word of God. We have bought new Parish Mass Books for the seasons of the year. There are 100 copies of each set. Please make sure you take good care of them and return them to the shelves in the foyer after each Mass. Thanks to the co-ordinator, April Redding and all the members of the 100 Club who have paid for this. May God bless them all. *Fr Joseph Donkor*

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Parish News

DROP IN SESSIONS WITH FR JOSEPH TUES 7PM TO 9PM

Please call the office to make an appointment.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

CAFOD family fast day is on Friday 2nd October. By giving this Harvest, we can put our faith into action and support communities overseas with access to water, nutritious food and sustainable ways to grow crops, helping children like Tayla in Zimbabwe stay in school. Please take a CAFOD envelope as you leave or donate via the CAFOD website. Thank you for your generosity.

CONFIRMATION 2027

The 1st session will be on Friday 6th Nov at 6:30 pm and parents are asked to attend. The remaining sessions will be for our Candidates only. Our Confirmation Mass will be on the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday 16th May) next year at 11:00. Meetings will be on Fridays at 6:30pm during term time, with extended breaks for Christmas and Easter. Young people in Year 9 and above are invited to contact the parish for an application form. Please return application forms by the weekend of 24th/25th Oct. Applicants must be **in school Year 9 or above**. It must be the applicant themselves that applies. You are required to attend all the sessions on the programme and must have made your First Holy Communion. You must provide a copy of your Baptism Certificate (or proof of Baptism).

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS

From 10.00 – 13.00 approx. The next course will be on 17th October. If you would like your child to be baptised please let the office know that you will be attending.

NEW RCIA COURSE STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

RCIA begins on Monday 28th September at 8pm in the parish office. This first session is an introduction to the program and an overview of the course. Thank you to all who have registered their interest. We look forward to seeing you there.

MEDWAY FOODBANK CHAMPIONS

Medway Foodbank would like us to continue to donate spreads for the next few weeks, but would also like us to donate individual small packets of crisps/x 6 bags/x 12 bags of crisps. Thank you again St Simon's Champions!

DAY BY DAY BOOKS

Day by Day books are available from the office and cost £1.20

COLLECTIONS

20/9/26 1st Coll GA £92, Non-GA £196.91; 2nd Coll £37.70 (Home Missions).

Community Events

Sun 27 Sep	2ND Collection for McMillian Cancer
Mon 28 Sep	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm Cubs 5.30pm-7pm
Tue 29 Sep	Evening Prayer at 6pm
Wed 30 Sep	Adoration 2pm to 10pm
Thu 1 Oct	Squirrels, Beavers, Scouts & Explorers 4:30pm-9pm Adult Choir practice 8pm-9pm
Sat 3 Oct	Legion of Mary 10am in the parish office 12-2pm Meeting - Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration in Parish hall
Sun 4 Oct	2nd Collection for CAFOD Fast Day 11AM MASS CHILDREN'S LITURGY & YOUTH MASS
Mon 5 Oct	Rosary on Zoom at 6 pm Cubs 5.30pm-7pm
Tue 6 Oct	Evening Prayer at 6pm UCM meeting in Parish hall 7:30
Wed 7 Oct	Adoration 2pm to 10pm
Thu 8 Oct	Squirrels, Beavers, Scouts & Explorers 4:30pm-9pm Adult Choir practice 8pm – 9pm
Sat 10 Oct	Legion of Mary 10am in the parish office 6pm KSC Membership drive
Sun 11 Oct	Collection for Medway Foodbank UCM anniversary Mass 11am KSC Membership Drive 9am-11 am Mass

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 Joseph on the parish mobile