

Sunday (21st November) Readings

1st Reading – Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Psalm – 24

2nd Reading – 1 Thessalonians 3: 12 – 4: 2

Gospel – Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am St Andrew

Wed 10am Feria

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 2pm till 10pm

Thu 10 am Feria

Fri 8 pm St Francis Xavier

Intentions

6pm Happy Birthday Andy Berko

9am The People of the Parish

11am Rob & Tina Alston RIP

John O'Reilly RIP

Sylvia Berko's Intentions

Wellbeing of Frances Jerstice

Our Lady's help and protection for Fr Pawel

Intentions of Teresa & Bob Mazza

Confessions

Fridays 7.15pm to 7.45pm and Saturdays 5.15pm to 5.45pm

also by appointment 07305831925.

Next Sunday (5th Dec) Readings

1st Reading – Baruch 5: 1-9

Psalm – 125

2nd Reading – Philippians 1: 3-6, 8-11

Gospel – Luke 3: 1-6

Intentions

6pm Pauline & Melville Burgess RIP

9am The People of the Parish

11am Wellbeing of Fr Bart

Sick and Housebound

We pray for all those who are sick and the housebound. We pray especially for all those in our parish and their families. **St Simon Stock, keep them in your care.**

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently. We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Christopher Finn, Gerald D'Rosario, Marjorie Guyatt, Patrick Casey, Isabel Fearn, Michael McGreevy, Gordon Smart, Rose Gleeson, Charles White, Terence Smith, Desmond Devine, Terry Rough, Michael Rogerson, Ellen Mangham, Edward Fuggel, Bob Boulton, Maurice Roche, William Gilbert, Mary Chaplin & the deceased members of the Pomeroy family. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

My Day By Day for December (Advent)

These are available on table on the way out of the church. Please take one and put £1 in the wooden tray. Thank you.

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. Nov winners are £50 = No: 189 Grazyna Gordon £25 = No: 104 Denise Kavanagh

Parish Gift Aid - If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please ring Steve Duxbury on Medway 862125

Going into Hospital - Please inform the parish office on 07305831925



Parish Of St Simon Stock



28th November 2021

1st Sunday of Advent Yr C

FIRST SUNDAY OF *Advent*
Newsletter

Parish notices:

1. This week the 2nd Collection is for the Development Fund. Next week there is no 2nd collection
2. **HANDMADE CHRISTMAS CARDS** available after all weekend Masses. Come along and buy a special card for those special people in your lives.
3. **The UCM Ladies** have been hard at work again! This time we have hand knitted a Nativity Set! We **are holding a Secret Auction** to raise money for the Parish Funds. On 20th/21st & 27th/28th Nov after all masses we will be distributing Bid Papers for those interested, and the beautiful Nativity Set will be on display. Please hand in the Bid using the envelope provided to one of the UCM Ladies. We will then mark the envelope with the date & time received. The result will be made known over the weekend 4th/5th Dec. The highest bid will be successful. In the event of two equal bids, the Bid received earliest will be successful. Thank you for your support.
4. **Adoration:** During December, for various reasons, there are some weeks when there will be no Adoration. There **will** be Adoration as normal on 1st, 8th and 22nd December; **No** Adoration on 15th and 29th December. In January, there will (hopefully) only be one week when there will be no Adoration because the new heating system will be fitted. I will let you know when that is as soon as the date is confirmed. We would be grateful to have a couple more people at Adoration for the 5 pm - 6 pm and 6 pm - 7 pm hours. You don't have to commit to those hours immediately; come for a few times before you decide. Jesus will be there waiting for you.



Messy Church at St Benedict's School for pre-school children on **Fri 3rd Dec from 9am to 10.15am.**

To book please contact the school on 01634 669700 or email office@st-benedicts.medway.sch.uk

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SUNDAY READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First Reading

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah:

‘In those days and at that time,
I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David,
who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land.
In those days Judah shall be saved
and Israel shall dwell in confidence.

And this is the name the city will be called:
The-Lord-our-integrity.’

Psalm:

Ps 24

R: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. *R#*

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor. *R#*

His ways are faithfulness and love
for those who keep his covenant and law.

The Lord’s friendship is for those who revere him;
to them he reveals his covenant. *R#*

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3: 12 – 4: 2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand. ‘Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.’

Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase