
GOUDHURST & HAWKHURST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Second Sunday of Lent, Year B

28th February 2021

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst
Sunday: 10.30am Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst
Tuesday to Friday: NO MASSES
Holy Days of Obligation: NO MASSES

Anniversaries: Ellen Queally, Edith Fuller, Elizabeth Smyth, Frank Raynor, Patty Mahoney, Emlyn Roberts, Noel Watson, Terence Burton, Paddy Smyth, Gordon Heap, Mike O'Reilly, and Ted McGuire

Please pray for the sick in the parish: Bernadette Strange, Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Cynthia Raza, and Eileen Collett.

Parish Collections

Collection totals will not be published while the parish is without a secretary

Announcements

Mass will be live streamed see below for details.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March – Sacrament of reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God

Masses

Now that Fr Vic has been vaccinated and COVID infection levels have substantially reduced since their peak at the beginning of the year, he has decided to **restart Masses with parishioners present**. This will **start at both Goudhurst Masses this weekend** (Saturday 27th February at 5.30pm and Sunday 28th at 10.30am). Masses will **start at St Barnabas, Hawkhurst, a week later**, at 8.30am on Sunday 7th March, subject to a visiting priest being available: please review next week's newsletter for confirmation. Please book your place at: thechurchisopen@gmail.com

We will continue to **Live Stream Mass at 5:30pm Saturdays and 10.30am every Sunday:**
<https://www.kentchurches.com/churches/sacred-heart-church-goudhurst/>

10.20 Choral music before Mass

O Lord Hear My Prayer	Simply Taize
Alma Redemptoris Mater	Monks and Choir Downside
Domine Jesu Christe	Monks and Choir Downside

10.30 Mass

Opening Hymn	I, The Lord of Sea and Sky
Communion	Adoramus Te Domine – Taize
Retiring	Immortal Invisible

Fr Vic – Extra Mass

Every Friday morning at 10am Father Vic will be saying a Mass from his home for sick parishioners, their families and friends. This Mass is also dedicated to those who are mourning and grieving.

Archbishop John Wilson is sponsoring a Lent retreat

The retreat can be followed flexibly from home and is entitled 'Follow Me: Walking in the footsteps of Jesus through the season of Lent'. You can sign up on the following web page:

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme>

As part of the retreat you will receive:

- A welcome email explaining the structure of the retreat and how to prepare;
- A weekly email starting on Ash Wednesday and ending on the Wednesday of Holy Week with a link to the video input and prayer materials

During each week of Lent, Archbishop John will introduce the video, the Sunday Gospel will be read and then follows a brief talk exploring themes connected with the Gospel. The input can be viewed at any time to suit you. The talk will be accompanied by suggestions for prayer and reflection through the week. All the resources will also be available via the diocesan website.

The World of Prayer – Friday 5th March 2021

This day was formerly known as the Women's World day of Prayer; it has now changed to now include everyone.

This year the theme is "**Build on a Strong Foundation**". The Women of the Republic of Vanuatu (located in the South Pacific Ocean) have prepared this year's service. Women, men and children of all ages are called to 'Build on a strong foundation' and live in unity, love and peace in the context of ethnic and cultural diversity like Vanuatu and so many other places around the world. The World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world; their hopes, concerns and prayers. The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 170 countries.

For further information and resources see the World Day of Prayer website www.wwdp.org.uk A link to an online service will shortly be announced on the website, and you can download the service and prayers from the website.

MARY'S MEALS - CRISIS IN ETHIOPIA: emergency appeal

The people of Tigray in Ethiopia urgently need our help. Due to brutal fighting in the region, frightened families have been forced to flee their homes and millions are living in fear of starvation. [Mary's Meals](#) has been working with a trusted partner in the region for many years and together we are reaching out to children and communities affected by this dire situation and helping wherever we can. Please help us to continue this life-saving work. Please donate if you can [Mary's Meals Donation](#)

Local Educational Trust Grants

There are a number of local educational Trusts that help people, particularly for young people, with small educational grants. They are to help people who are suffering hardship or illness with support in their educational costs. Please click on the following links for full details:-

[Marden Community Charitable Organisation](#)

[Kilndown Education Trust](#)

[Dunks Springett's Education Foundation \(Hawkhurst\)](#)

NEW PRICES FOR PERSONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS – CATHOLIC TIMES

To Catholic Universe and Catholic Times readers in the parish, at the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you.

SPECIAL OFFER	3 Months	£25.00
SPECIAL OFFER	12 Months	£99.00
DIGITAL COPY	12 Months	£55.00
OR		
DIGITAL COPY/AND HARD COPY	12 Months	£115.00 (EASTER SPECIAL OFFER)

Aylesford Priory

In these difficult times many of us may need spiritual uplifting in times of grieving, the attached video we hope will help. '[Grief in Loss, Hope in Christ](#)' by Elizabeth Partridge who runs a retreat at Aylesford Priory with Fr Francis Kemsley.

CAFOD World Gifts

We can stretch out our hands to people living in poverty and refugees by donating to CAFOD's Appeal. World Gifts, CAFOD's range of virtual gifts, make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. While we have the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown here, we can still be good neighbours to our sisters and brothers overseas by giving World Gifts. The Keep Clean Kit gift for £6 and the Vegetable Garden gift for £10 are just two gifts that will help vulnerable families affected by the pandemic to protect and feed themselves. Let's spread joy and hope around the world this coming year. Visit cafod.org.uk/worldgifts.

Weekly Giving via Standing Order

We would like to say a huge thank you to those who have set up a standing order for your weekly giving. This really helps the parish to have a reliable income each month to assist in forward planning, there is less cash handling within the parish, and increased security as less cash is taken to the bank. If you would like to create a standing order please use the following details:

Account name:	Archdiocese of Southwark
Account number:	59004576
Sort code:	60-06-18

Despite the account name this is our dedicated parish account and please be reassured that the parish will receive the funds. Thank you.

Jesus who walked to the cross
Be with us when we feel abandoned
Jesus who walked to the cross
Be with us when we face danger
Jesus who walked to the cross
Be with us when we are suffering
When sorrow threatens to defeat us
Jesus who rose from the dead be with us
Amen