
GOUDHURST & HAWKHURST PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Third Sunday of Lent, Year B

7th March 2021

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

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

Sunday: 10.30am Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

Sunday: 8:30am St Barnabas Church, Hawkhurst

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.

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, at 8.30am*** on Sunday 7th March. *Please note the 8:30am start time.

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

A New Commandment

Tallis Scholars

A Solis Ortus Cardine

Monks and Choir Downside

Purge Me, O Lord

Tallis Scholars

10.30 Mass

Opening Hymn

Be Still For The Presence of The Lord

Communion

This Is My Body, Broken for You

O Lord Hear My Prayer – Taize

Retiring

O Praise Ye The Lord

Parish Collections

Collection totals will not be published while the parish is without a secretary

Announcements

Masses with Parishioners present will commence, see details below.

Mass will continue to be live streamed also see below for details

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.

New Parish Secretary

We are pleased to welcome Tim Gallier as our new parish secretary, as of 1st March. Tim is one of our parishioners who attends mass in Goudhurst, where he has been one of the stewards during the lockdown period.

Children's Liturgy session during Lent - Zoom

Louise Martine is planning to hold 'Zoom' Children's Liturgy sessions during the rest of Lent. Although Masses are continuing at Sacred Heart (Goudhurst) and St Barnabas (Hawkhurst) we cannot yet meet in person to run these sessions.

These sessions would run for 30 minutes on **Saturday afternoons at 5.30pm:**

- o Saturday 6th March (Third Sunday of Lent)
- o Saturday 13th March (Fourth Sunday of Lent)
- o Saturday 20th March (Fifth Sunday of Lent)
- o Saturday 27th March (Palm Sunday of Lent)

If you are interested in your children taking part please email goudhurst@rcaos.org.uk and your details will be passed onto Louise who will then make contact.

First Holy Communion 2021

Please can parents who would like their child to take their First Holy Communion this year contact Fr Vic.

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 \(Hawkhurst\)](#)

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.

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:

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| 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.

Blessed be the name of Jesus, who died to save us
Blessed be Jesus, who had compassion on us
Blessed be Jesus, who suffered loneliness, rejection and pain, for our sakes
Blessed be Jesus, through whose cross I am forgiven
Lord Jesus, deepen my understanding of your suffering and death
Amen