

GOUDHURST, HAWKHURST, HORSMONDEN PARISH
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31st January- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

MASS: Saturday 5.30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

Sunday 8.30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst
10.30am Goudhurst

Monday to Thursday 9.30am Goudhurst
Friday 10.00am Goudhurst

Baptisms and Confessions: By arrangement.

Holy Days of Obligation: Mass 9.30am and 8.00pm at Goudhurst, 11.00am at Hawkhurst.

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist: Every Wednesday morning 8.30 to 9.30am and on Friday morning 9.00am to 10.00am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time

Maire Brongor, Maire Dee, Frederick Rushmore, Barry Mort, Janina Lesniewska-Chapman, Sadie Brown, Jack de Wilton, James Bolland, Irene Lilian Brookman, and Mary Morley.

May they all rest in peace in God's light.

Please pray for the sick in the parish:

Daisy & Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Marjorie & John Dumbleton, Shirley Brady, Hilary McCluskey, Shirley Dore, Cynthia Raza, Philip Sheridan, Anne Hall, Joanna Convery and Ted McGuire

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Parish Collections: 23/24 January £392.90 of this amount £262.00 was Gift Aided. Thank you.

2nd collection for Racial Justice 23/24 January £122.03 thank you

Next weekend 6/7 February - Second Collection for the Poor Parishes Fund (formerly the "Needs of the Diocese" collection. This enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the small parishes in the Diocese.

First Communion Classes on Saturday evenings @ 4.45pm in the Presbytery

Please remember in your prayers the 4 children who will be making their first Communion this Spring. The children will join the congregation for mass at the offertory and we will reserve the front 2 benches of the church for the parents and children, so the children can watch Father Vic and follow the mass closely.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK Saturday 6th February The Friars, Aylesford Priory

Main celebrant: Canon Luke Smith and the Homily by Fr Vic McClean.

1.15pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, - *Rosary offered for all those who are sick*; - *Confessions*.

2.00pm Holy Mass *with Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick*

DATES FOR LENT

• **Ash Wednesday 10th February Mass and Blessing of the Ashes**

9.30am mass-Sacred Heart Church Goudhurst; 11.00am mass at St Barnabas Church, Hawkhurst.

8.00pm Ecumenical service at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst, with St Mary's Church.

• **Lent Lunches in Goudhurst** every Saturday in St Mary's Church from 13th February at 12.30pm

• **Lent talks in Goudhurst** will be on Wednesday evening in the Sacred Heart Church and Friday at Lunchtime in St Mary's Church starting on 24th and 26th February. The theme will be based on the materials prepared by CAFOD and based on Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*; there will be more details and lists to sign up for the talks.

HMP Maidstone is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified deacon, religious or lay person to the post of Catholic chaplain. This is a half time post (18.5 hours a week) at a prison with an entirely foreign national population. We are looking for candidates who are experienced in working with people on the edge of society, who have some pastoral experience, a love for the Church and an ability to work in a multi faith environment. Further details, about the academic qualifications required & the public sector recruitment procedure, may be obtained from: Monsignor Roger Reader, Catholic Bishops' Prisons Adviser, Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, 39 Eccleston Square, LONDON SW1V 1BX. Roger.Reader@cbcew.org.uk

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