

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH
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24th April Fifth Sunday of Easter - 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 9.30am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time

Rowland Firth, Joe O'Grady, Jo Chenery, Delia Pemble, Mrs Norman, Patrick Coyne, Denis Eccles and Bernard Myles. . May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick in the parish: Daisy and Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Marjorie and John Dumbleton, Shirley Brady, Shirley Dore, Cynthia Raza and Philip Sheridan..

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Parish Collections: 16/17 April £419.39 of this £127.53 was Gift Aided. Thank you.

Second collection for Ecclesiastical Education £276.28 thank you.

COMBONI Missionaries Mission Appeal 23 & 24 April The Comboni Missionaries are a specifically missionary order of priest and lay brothers; they work all over the world helping the poor, building and running schools and hospitals. One of the priests will be making an appeal this weekend.

PLEASE NOTE Temporary Change of venue for weekday masses for two weeks.

From Monday 24th to Friday 29th March and Tuesday 3rd to Friday 6th May the morning mass at the Sacred Heart, Goudhurst will be at **9.30am** in the Presbytery. Hurstway builders will be strengthening the altar floor and rebuilding and installing the Marble Altar from All Saints Church, Horsmonden which has been transferred to Goudhurst.

On Saturday 30 April and Sunday 1st May mass will be in the church at 5.30pm and 10.30am as usual. Everything will be back to normal for 7 and 8 May.

The sale of All Saints Church was completed at the end of March, the proceeds of the sale are held by the Southwark Diocese for the benefit of our parish as and when we need support. *Father Vic.*

Clergy Support Fund Campaign 1st May A Short Presentation after the 8.30am mass

Following the recent information regarding sick and retired priests given out just prior to Easter, there will be a short presentation after the 8.30am mass at St Barnabas church, Hawkhurst about the Clergy Support Fund. There will a chance to ask questions about the work of the fund and how to support it.

APF MISSION RED BOXES Chris Thakerar our Parish Promoter would like you to bring in your boxes so she can empty them. Please put your name & address on the box before you hand it in. Thank you.

Heart of Kenya (orphans) Fundraising: Damian Deeney is running in the London Marathon on **24th April** to raise money for Heart of Kenya. If you would like to make a donation he will be outside church after the 8:30 and 10:30 masses on Sunday 1st May. Or you can email damodeeney@gmail.com or ring 01580-212249 if you wish to make a donation. For more details about the Heart of Kenya (Orphans) please take a leaflet from the back of the church, our parish has been providing support for some years.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for April 2016:

UNIVERSAL INTENTION - Small Farmers - That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labour.

EVANGELIZATION INTENTION - African Christians That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

Pope Francis Year of Mercy Prayer

Dear Lord, Help me to be a companion in the Spirit to those with whom I share my life.

Let me not be too diffident in speaking of all the good gifts you give to me.

Help me to remember always in my prayers those who are suffering and those who have died.

Let me hold them before you, who alone are the source of all mercy and consolation.

Lord, teach me to be as gracious to others as you are to me. Use me as you will.