

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH

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21st August The Twenty first Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

MASS: Saturday 5.30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

Sunday 8.30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst Monday to Friday 9.30am Goudhurst
10.30am 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

Leonard Board, Peter Ryan, Bert Bellingham, Andrea Abbott, Tine van Wakeren and Frank Johnson. 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.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie McGlone who died on 22nd July. The Requiem Mass for Marie will be at 2.00pm on Friday 26th August at 2.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church.

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Parish Collections: 13/14 August £427.64 of this £346.50 was Gift Aided. Thank you.

Please note: no weekday masses: at 9.30am on Monday 29, Tuesday 30 & Wednesday 31 August.

Parish Bake Off - Bank Holiday Monday 29th August Sissinghurst Fete from 1.00pm – 4.30pm

on the Jubilee Field, Sissinghurst. Betty Curtin & Jean Shill will be running a Cake Stall to raise funds for our parish. We did so well at Goudhurst Fete we would be grateful for your support again.

Please bring cakes to the presbytery on Friday between 9.30 and 12.00 midday or on the day to our stall at the fete we will be there from 11.30am. Please ring: Betty 01622- 831825 or Jean 01580-753841 if you can help.

Kent Churches Sponsored Ride and Stride Saturday 10th September Discover Kent's churches by **bicycle or on foot** and raise money for our church at the same time. The annual **Ride and Stride** takes place on **Saturday 10th September 2016** from 10.00am to 6.00pm. Money raised will be divided equally between the Friends of Kent Churches and the church or chapel of your choice. A list of churches participating can be seen on the notice board, there are also sponsorship forms available.

MARY'S MEALS Is a Charity whose simple mission is to give daily meals to hungry children in their place of education and so encourage them to go to school. It is named after, and belongs to, Our Lady, the Mother of Mercy. Today more than one million children eat Mary's Meals each day. In the slums of Haiti and Liberia, Zambia, South Sudan, Kenya, India, Ecuador, Uganda, Burma, Turkana, and the refugee settlements of Lebanon, children's lives are being changed by our little acts of love. There are leaflets at the back of church for you to take. www.marysmeals.org.uk and to Fundraise for Mary's Meals contact ukfundraising@marysmeals.org

A Mary's Meals prayer – Our Father, give us this day our daily bread and forgive us for the times when we take more than our share of the bread that belongs to all.

Let us help You fill the starving with good things, not with scraps from our table. Teach us how to share what is not ours to keep. Clothe us with Your love that we may complete each good work You created us to do. Place in our hearts Your compassion for each starving child and use our little acts of love so that they will starve no more. Amen

Pope Francis Year of Mercy Prayer

Lord, may your message of mercy and forgiveness reach everyone during this Jubilee Year. May no one be indifferent to your invitation. For our sake you have poured out your innermost life, a life of love and truth and mercy, in the death of Jesus and in the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Your glory fills our world. How much more it would shine if our lives reflected it more clearly!

Forgive our sins. Forgive the failings of us, your Church, by which we obscure your infinite goodness. Cleanse us so that we do not dishonour your name but rather show forth only your love and mercy.