

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH

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23rd October- The Thirtieth 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

Beryl Millis, Mary Sullivan, Thomas Knight, Norah Ryan, Isabella Wilkins, Fred Cluley, Betty Hosking and Geoffrey Parton. 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: 15 & 16 October £384.62 of this £275.56 was Gift Aided. Thank you. .

Friends of Kent Churches Ride and Stride we have received a cheque for £137.50, our grateful thanks to Kveta and John Waterman for their stamina and determination in completing 50 miles.

Sunday 23rd October is World Mission Day - Second collection for Missio at all masses

Missio is the Church's official organ for the support of the Foreign Missions. The collection taken on World Mission Sunday goes in its entirety to support churches, hospitals & schools in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Missio works through local bishops, churches and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed justly on the basis of need. Please give what you can, and if possible use the Gift Aid envelopes if you are a taxpayer. Every gift makes a real difference to people living in poverty. Thank you. *Father Vic.*

Ecumenism Today - Wednesday 23rd November at 7.30pm in The Sacred Heart Church

Catholic and Anglican relations in the 21st Century, a discussion between Bishop Stephen Platten, The Rector of St Michael's Cornhill, in the City of London, and honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of London; and Archbishop Kevin McDonald, Archbishop Emeritus of the Catholic Diocese of Southwark, and Chair of the Bishop's Conference Committee for other Faiths. Everyone is welcome to attend this interesting evening with such high calibre speakers. Refreshments will be served. This evening is being organised and jointly hosted by Churches Together in Goudhurst.

St Simon Stock Catholic School, Oakwood Park, Maidstone ME16 0JP has been ranked in the top 10% in the country by Progress-8, which is based on Key Stage Two SAT scores. The school also ranks in the top 10% of all schools nationally for the progress that students made at A Level in 2016. St Simon Stock Catholic School would like to remind parents of the Sixth Form Open Evening, which is on Thursday, 3rd November starting at 6.00pm. tel: 01622-754551. www.ssscs.co.uk

Parish Autumn Fair Saturday 12th November in Goudhurst Village Hall 9.30am to 12.00

The fair is our only fundraising event for the parish, and a social occasion, please support it. We need the following goods, which can be left at the presbytery or in the church.

Tombola- bottles, wine, beer, squash, soft drinks. **Children's toys, games & books.**

Books old and new, CD's & DVD's, (*please no videos*).

Homemade cakes, bread, chutneys and jams. Fresh produce.

Bric-a-Brac (*please no clothes/shoes or electrical items*), **Pictures and prints;**

Bathroom toiletries, soaps, lotions, candles etc; **Gifts and Raffle prizes.** New ideas are welcomed, Email vic.mcclean@btconnect.com or ring Jean 01580-753841 if you can help or have new ideas.

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.