

**GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH**

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**26th February 2017- Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A**

**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 Tuesday 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**

Ellen Queally, Edith Fuller, Elizabeth Smyth, Frank Raynor, Patty Mahoney, Emlyn Roberts, Noel Watson Terence Burton, Paddy Smyth, Gordon Heap, Mike O'Reilly & Ted McGuire. May they 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 Desmond Sheridan.

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Philip Sheridan who died recently, please remember in your prayers his brother Jim and all his family, also Desmond Sheridan who is critically ill.*

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**Parish Collections 18/19 February.** £505.79 of this £345.50 was gift aided Thank you.

**This weekend 25/26 February there will be a Second collection for The Poor Parishes Fund**

This collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poor parishes in the diocese.

• **Ash Wednesday 1st March 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 4th March at 12.30pm.

• **Stations of the Cross** every Friday at 9.00am at the Sacred Heart before the 9.30am mass  
**Stations of the Cross** every Saturday at 5.00pm at the Sacred Heart before the 5.30pm mass

**Lent Groups in Goudhurst on Tuesdays & Fridays.** York Lenten Course over five weeks in Lent.

Session 1: Receiving Christ: as children of God.

Session 2: Receiving Christ: in the stranger and the needy.

Session 3: Receiving Christ: in Holy Communion.

Session 4: Receiving Christ: through prayer and fellowship.

Session 5: 'Christ in you, the hope of glory' (Colossians 1.27).

**Talks will begin on Tuesday 7th March, and Friday 10th March, and the following dates:**

**March 14th, 17th, 21st, 24th, 28th & 31st, and April 4th and April 7th.**

**The Tuesday group will be at 8.00pm in the Presbytery,** Beresford Road, and be led by Fr Vic.

**The Friday group will be at 1.30pm in the Children's Chapel, St Mary's Church,** and led by Dr Jo Meyer. **There are lists in each of our churches for you to sign up for the talks. Fr Vic.**

**Women's World day of Prayer Friday 3rd March Baptist Church, Cranbrook Rd, Hawkhurst.**

The ecumenical service will be in the Baptist Church at 11.00am, followed by a Lent Lunch. The service has been prepared by the women of the Philippines, the theme is: Am I Being Unfair to You?

**Fully escorted Southwark Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 13th March 2017.**

£599 per person sharing. Limited single rooms at supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia Ronane on 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

**Lent Reflections** the Diocesan Stewardship Team have made a daily email available during Lent, a reflection on the day's Mass reading. The link to sign up is: <http://eepurl.com/bF0b6P> Stewardship is a spirituality accessible to everyone; the concept of gratitude to God for his personal gifts to us in our lives acts as a focus and the right language for our people's lived faith. Stewardship can provide the spiritual imagery to describe, affirm, sustain and promote much of what we do in our daily lives.

**Prayer from Cardinal Newman** May He support us all the day long 'til the shades lengthen and the evening comes; and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in his mercy, may he give us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at last.