

## GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH

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### 26th March 2017- Fourth Sunday in Lent - 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 during Lent only on Saturday morning 9.30am to 10.30am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

**Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time**

Mickeal Quelly, Marie Pilcher, Cyril Dee, Reggie Alexander, Pat Young, Bernard Darcy, Thomas Brongor, Ivy King, Bill Turner, Barbara Johnson, Kathleen Mary Steddy, P.J Smyth and Tom Sibree  
May they rest in peace.

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

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**Parish Collections 18/19 March.** £493.42 of this £320.00 was gift aided Thank you.

**CAFOD's East Africa crisis appeal 25 AND 26 MARCH second collection**

The United Nations is warning that the world faces the largest humanitarian crisis in more than 70 years. Severe drought, lack of food, & civil war, mean that over 16 million people across East Africa are facing starvation. Please support our collection for CAFOD's appeal. Your donation will get food, clean water & healthcare to people in desperate need. Please use one of the CAFOD Gift Aid envelopes, 25p will be added to every £1 donated. Find out more: [www.cafod.org.uk/eastafrica](http://www.cafod.org.uk/eastafrica) .

**CAFOD Prayer for help**

Almighty God, in our distress and grief help us to remember that you love us.

We do not understand why this great disaster has happened but help us to trust you.

Loving Lord, for those who have died, give them eternal rest, for those who are bereaved, comfort and console them for those who are hurt, heal and strengthen them.

Lord God, enable us to help our suffering brothers and sisters in whatever way we can.

Heavenly Father be with us now and always. Amen.

**Easter Lilies 2017:** If you wish to buy a lily in remembrance of someone, there is a list for the names at the back of each church; they will be remembered at all masses celebrated during this time. Lilies will cost £3.00 each. The lilies will decorate the churches over the Easter Season

**GIFT AID Message from Mike Iles, Parish Gift Aid organiser:** If you are not already using Gift Aid to make your weekly offering, please consider doing so if you are a UK Tax Payer. All it requires is for you to fill in a form; they are available at the back of each church. Your collection must be in an envelope with your surname on. The parish can claim back 25p for every £1 from the Inland Revenue. Presently only two thirds of the weekly collection money is Gift Aided. This costs us up to £2,000 in a year - money that we could reclaim from HMRC. **Please note**, if you have moved here from another parish or Diocese you will need to complete a new Gift Aid form for this parish. *Thank you Mike Iles.*

- **Lent Lunches Goudhurst** each Saturday in St Mary's Church 12.30 to 2.00pm.
- **Lent Lunches Hawkhurst** 12.00 to 1.30pm each Friday in All Saints Lodge, Rye Rd, Hawkhurst.
- **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.**

**The Tuesday Lent group will be at 8.00pm in the Presbytery,** Beresford Rd. 28 March & 4 April.

**The Friday group will be at 1.30pm in the Children's Chapel, St Mary's Church** 31 March & 7 April.

**Your Voice Matters – Mega Youth Poll** In 2018, Pope Francis will invite Bishops & others to Rome to talk about Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. They will discuss how the Catholic Church can accompany young people in their faith & help them to hear God's call. If you are aged between 13-29 years old, the Catholic Church in England & Wales would like to hear from you, we want to hear what life is like, your thoughts on faith & how you connect with the Catholic Church. To help you tell us we have created a Youth Poll you can use this Link:- <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll> . Please encourage the young people you know to respond to this poll by giving them the link. For queries about the Youth Poll please email: [synod2018@cbcew.org.uk](mailto:synod2018@cbcew.org.uk).