

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH
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30th July 2017- The Seventeenth 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: Adoration every Tuesday and Friday morning 8.30 to 9.30am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time:

Bill Elliott, Florence Stacey, William Bennett, David John Dee, Pat Day, Joanna McClean, Ros Reardon. Mirabelle Kelly, Nick Rourke, Penny Scott-Watson, Helena Lesniewska, Christian Le Bourlier, Monica Scowston. Lily Wise, John Sienesi, Tony Coleman & Gerry Cleary. May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick in the parish:

Daisy & Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Marjorie & John Dumbleton, Shirley Dore, Pearl Fitzgerald, Barbara Toll, Cynthia Raza and Betty Curtin.

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Parish Collections 22 & 23 July £384.25 of this £300.10 was Gift aided, thank you.

The Holy Father's intention for August

To Pray for Artists- That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Tuesday 15th August The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

9.30am mass and an 8.00pm mass at the Sacred Heart Church, Beresford Rd, Goudhurst.

11.00am mass at St Barnabas Church, High Street, Hawkhurst.

Important - Renewed Appeal for new members of The Parish Council

The Parish Council currently consists of a group of 8 parishioners who meet 6 times a year at the Presbytery in order to support Fr Vic in managing all the business of the parish; until recently we used to have 10 members including Fr Vic. We issued an appeal at the end of May this year and so far there has been no response at all from anyone. We need support with building maintenance and people willing to help with Social Events. We need some fresh ideas as well as fresh faces! So, if you could help us, we would be delighted to hear from you! We have recently organised the installation of a new kitchen in the presbytery, much needed after 30 years; and a new boiler for Goudhurst church.

Please consider this request, and contact our Chairman Chris Roome: chrisgk.roome@btinternet.com – to arrange a preliminary chat if you are interested and able to help. Thank You.

New Foundation Degree for Catholics working in Healthcare and those seeking to be Chaplains.

Starting in October, St Mary's University Twickenham is pleased to offer a new foundation degree in Healthcare Ethics, Theology and Care. This is a part time two year programme for those seeking to be hospital chaplains and for people working in healthcare settings, from care homes, to hospices and hospitals. Lectures and seminars take place at St Mary's one evening a week and additional lectures and resources are available online. If you are interested in applying or finding out more please contact matthew.james@stmarys.ac.uk

Saturday 9th September - Keep fit & raise money! Kent Churches Sponsored RIDE AND STRIDE

The annual Ride and Stride takes place on **Saturday 9th September 2017** from 10.00am to 6.00pm.

Discover Kent's churches by bicycle or on foot and get sponsorship for doing so. Money raised will be divided equally between the Friends of Kent Churches and our church. A list of churches participating and the sponsorship forms are available in each church.

The prayer written on the door as you enter this beautiful little Sussex down land church

Prayer from St Michael & All Angels - Berwick, East Sussex

Lord, make us quiet, as we place in your hands those for whom we want to pray.

We know that you love them with a love greater than we could ever imagine.

In the stillness we are here, with you, for them. Use us Lord. Amen.