

11th February 2018 - The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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 Wednesday and Friday morning 8.30 to 9.30am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time:

Anna Przbyski, Alice Hendrickx, Mary Arnold, Margaret Malone, Stephen White, Stuart Peter Hatcher, Vincent Prostack, Conor Gleeson and Wladyslaw Oczkowski. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick in the parish: Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Shirley Dore, Barbara Toll, Cynthia Raza, Betty Curtin and Eileen Collett

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Parish Collections 3/4 February £356.40 of this £242.50 of this was Gift aided, thank you.

Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th February 2nd Collection for Poor Parishes

This collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the Diocese.

Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2018, 06.02.2018.

The following is an excerpt from the Message of the Holy Father for Lent 2018 on the theme:

"Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold" (Mt 24: 12).

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Once again, the Pasch of the Lord draws near! In our preparation for Easter, God in His providence offers us each year the season of Lent as a "sacramental sign of our conversion". Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life.

With this message, I would like again this year to help the entire Church experience this time of grace anew, with joy and in truth. I will take my cue from the words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew:

"Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold" (24:12). These words appear in Christ's preaching about the end of time. They were spoken in Jerusalem, on the Mount of Olives, where the Lord's passion would begin. (Copies of the full message are available for you to take).

LENT

- **Ash Wednesday 14th February Mass and Blessing of the Ashes**
9.30am mass-Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst;
11.00am mass- 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 17th February at 12.30pm., then on 3, 10, 17 & 24 March. (Please note no Lent lunch on Sat 24 February as the church is in use)
- **Lent Lunches in Hawkhurst** details and venue still to be confirmed
- **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. will begin on Thursday 22 February and Friday 23 February.

The Thursday group will be from 8.00pm to 9.00pm in the Presbytery, Beresford Road, Goudhurst

The Friday group will be from 1.30pm to 2.30pm in the Children's Chapel, St Mary's Church.

The groups will follow the York Lent course, and there are be lists in each church for you to sign up

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February: Universal: Say "No" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Morning of Recollection will take place on Saturday April 21st 2018 at Tenterden. From 9.30am to 1.00pm. Canon Anthony Charlton will be the speaker, he is the parish priest at St Thomas's Church, Canterbury.

St Anthony of Padua Church Rye – Pilgrimage to Assisi and Padua 16th to 21st April -

Led by Fr Matthew Chadwick OFM Conv. A few places remain. For information please contact Jocelyn Rowe on 01797 222014 as soon as possible.

Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne (Holy Island) For Young Adults (20s and 30s) from 4th - 8th April 2018

Two days of walking in the beautiful Northumberland Countryside along St Cuthbert's Way, followed by a day on the Isle of Lindisfarne & a visit to Durham Cathedral. A chance to walk, pray & relax! The pilgrimage is organised by the Faithful Companions of Jesus, sisters, For Information contact Sr Lynne fcJ - lynnefcj@hotmail.com