

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH
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9th December 2018–The Second Sunday in Advent

MASS: Saturday 5.30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

Sunday: 8.30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst and 10.30am Sacred Heart, Goudhurst

Monday to Friday: 9.30am Goudhurst.

Holy Days of Obligation: Mass 9.30am and 8.00pm at Goudhurst, 11.00am at Hawkhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time:

Ada Tate, Anthony Berkeley, Reggie Gordon, Jack Brady and Margaret Murphy. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick in the parish: Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Barbara Toll, Cynthia Raza, Eileen Collett and Caroline Burdge.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jean Douglas, please remember her daughter Kathryn Cleary & her family in your prayers. The funeral will be at St Teresa of Lisieux, Northiam on 10 Dec.

Please note: there is no 9.30am mass at Goudhurst on Monday 10th December.

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Parish Collections 1 & 2 December £501.90 of this £ 443.00 was Gift Aided thank you.

Second Collection on 8 & 9 December for two families who are in great need in our parish.

Christmas Flowers Last weekend there was a 2nd collection for Christmas Flowers. If you were away, there is a Flower Box in each church, we would be grateful for your contributions.

Pope Francis's intention for December: Evangelization: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith. That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

ADORATION DURING ADVENT - Exposition of the Holy Eucharist. Please note new times.

Adoration on Wednesday mornings the 12 and 19 December at 8.30 to 9.30am.

Adoration on Saturday mornings the 8, 15 & 22 December at 11.30am to 12.30pm, followed by reconciliation with an opportunity for confessions.

WOULD YOU LIKE to be an ALTAR SERVER? If so, and if you have made your First Communion and usually attend the weekend Mass, please speak to Father Vic or email goudhurst@rcaos.org.uk for more information. Serving at the Altar during Mass or other services is a great honour. Full training will be arranged in the New Year before you are asked to serve. A good Altar Server will give their service with attention and respect. It is hoped by Father Vic that we will eventually enrol all our Altar Servers as members of the Guild of St Stephen.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2019 Lessons will begin in mid-January for children in year 3, age 7 to 8 years old or above who wish to make their First Holy Communion, on the Feast of Corpus Christi June 23rd 2019. Parents should pick up an enrolment form and speak to Fr Vic. Louise Martine will be leading the classes. It is very important that all forms are received before Christmas so that the books can be ordered in time!

The Children's Liturgy Group – STILL URGENTLY needs more helpers. Please can you help?

We need two people each Sunday to help with the two age groups at the 10.30am mass. Please help, or we may have to reduce the number of Sundays the children can have a liturgy class. We welcome all parents, grandparents or other members of the parish who can help. Depending on numbers we would need your help usually twice a term. All information and training is provided. Please email: Elizabeth Watcham: elizabeth@watcham.com .

This request has been made for 4 weeks and so far we have received one offer of help.

Christmas Eve Monday 24th December Mass.

Sacred Heart Church, Beresford Road, Goudhurst TN17 1DN The service will start at 6.00pm with carols and readings and be followed by the Mass which will begin at 6.30pm.

Christmas Day Tuesday 25th December

8.30 am mass St Barnabas Church, High Street, Hawkhurst TN18 4AH

10.30 am mass Sacred Heart Church, Beresford Road, Goudhurst TN17 1DN

PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH DIARIES FOR 2019 have arrived, please take one. FREE.