



Sacred Heart Goudhurst & Saint Barnabas Hawkhurst Parish Newsletter

23 May 2021, Pentecost Sunday, Year B

Mass Times

Saturday 17:30 Goudhurst
Sunday 08:30 Hawkhurst 10:30 Goudhurst

Book as usual through: thechurchisopen@gmail.com

Please be considerate to others: wear a mask, social distance, keep safe

Anniversaries

Edmund Harris, Eric Baird Smith, Harold Bilson, and Mirek Mantyk

Pray for the Sick

Bernadette Strange, Helen Fletcher, Cynthia Raza, Eileen Collett, Elaine Martin

Pope Francis

Prayer of Intention for May, The World of Finance:
Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

*Lord may we always seek to further true communion among those made in the image of Jesus. May we value the dignity of every man and woman above all things. May those in power desire to serve wisely those in need, and always strive to act justly on their behalf. Amen. **Father Vic***

Bishops' Conference

We warmly welcome Pope Francis's Apostolic Letter *Antiquum ministerium*, formally recognising the ministry of catechist; the document promotes anew, and emphasises the connection between evangelisation and catechesis as a life-long process of formation. We would also like to pay tribute to the dedicated and generous work of all our catechists over the years who through their generosity have helped many people to come to a deeper knowledge of their faith.

In our reflection 'The Day of the Lord' we also gave consideration to how we emerge from the global pandemic and our desire to meet the challenge of bringing our communities and the practice of the faith to a still greater expression and strength. This is also a key consideration in how we form lay men and women for the ministry of catechist.

A solid preparation for this ministry based on a clear understanding of its biblical, theological and pastoral foundations will no doubt bring great fruit to the Church at this critical time. **Bishop David Evans**

Let us Pray

Lord God, you sanctify your Church in every race and nation by the mystery we celebrate on this day. Pour out the gifts of the Holy Spirit on all mankind, and fulfil now in the hearts of your faithful what you accomplished when the Gospel was first preached on earth. We make our prayer through our Lord. Amen.

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