



Sacred Heart Goudhurst & Saint Barnabas Hawkhurst Parish Newsletter

13 June 2021, Eleventh 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

Marie Dowling, Ann Hawker, Claud Hosking, Brian Hughes, Marie Louise Chamberlain, and Joseph Cooney.

Pray for the Sick

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

Pope Francis

Prayer of Intention for June, The beauty of marriage:

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Lord may our relationships reflect your selfless love and make our lives truly fruitful. For without you, the Son and the Holy Spirit - a mystery of love above all - we cannot be constant or faithful or be true followers of your Son. Amen.

Roll up, roll up!

You may already know the Goudhurst Fete has been cancelled again this year because of the Covid pandemic. However as part of the Village Regeneration programme the Village Parish Council & Fete committee wanted to hold some type of local event to compensate for not having the Fete. Therefore local clubs, traders, the Parish Council and numerous other organisations have joined forces and decided to have a "Village Open Day" on the 17th July from 11-4. This will take place in and around the centre of Goudhurst, including the Club, the Village Hall and the Plain. Our parish has had a Cake & Produce stall at the Fete for many years and we have booked a stall in the Village Hall by the pond. Jean Shill and Ros Chandler will be looking after the stall, but other volunteers are welcome even if you can only help for an hour. We will need homemade cakes, bread, preserves and local produce on the day.

More details will follow shortly, please email your offers of help to the parish office: goudhurst@rcaos.org.uk

CAFOD update

Thanks to your support, CAFOD has been helping communities around the world cope with the pandemic. Just in Zambia our reports show we've been able to reach 1,234,200 people with messages on COVID-19, provide 13,312 people with access to safe water, train 392 frontline health workers from Zambia's 11 dioceses on how to prepare and respond to COVID-19 in their local communities and donate over 1000 handwashing hygiene stations in communities to support handwashing measures.

**Missionary
Network**

The Church is made up of people and so is Some Definite Service - Catechists, Formators, Evangelisers, Deanery Mentors, Parish Leads. It is the goal and intention of the Agency and the archdiocese to invest time and energy in all involved in Some Definite Service, to ensure that those working in ministry are supported and do not feel isolated. Are you being called to be part of this network in a particular way? For more information, please visit: aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds.

Safeguarding

The Catholic Safeguarding Project has been established to ensure the delivery of wide-ranging reforms to safeguarding structures and processes in the Church in England and Wales. The Catholic Bishops' Conference commissioned a 'root and branch' review of safeguarding structures and procedures. This project is to deliver the recommendations of the review and you can visit the project's website: **catholicsafeguardingproject.org**

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency is the new organisation set up by the Church to implement the recommendations and to build trust and deliver change in this vital area. The Archbishop has written to all Parishes to remind them of key policies regarding volunteers and safeguarding, and of the the responsibility of compliance with the law. As Government restrictions are lifted the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, in conjunction with the Parish will be launching a re-check and re-validation of all volunteers

The Archbishop asks for our help: *"Please support this project with your full encouragement and cooperation, as without these re-validations being in place, our ability to proclaim the Gospel post lockdown will be severely hindered. Truly we are again in missionary territory and we need all our disciples not only to be willing, but able to share the Good News of the Lord Jesus"*

Together we can pray for the success of this project: Heavenly Father, Guide our work for all your people, to bring your healing love for young and old. Inspire us with wisdom and justice, to serve you with integrity and truth. Enable us to be Christ-like in our wounded world, to defend the powerless and safeguard the abused. Embolden us with the fire of your Spirit, to become the renewed church of tomorrow. Amen

**Green Church
Showcase**

Is inviting churches, church schools, and dioceses to submit details of work that they have undertaken to combat climate change, protect nature, and involve their communities in making changes.

A judging panel chaired by the Bishop of Norwich, Graham Usher, the new lead bishop for the environment, will sift through the entries at the end of July. They will be looking for projects that are most easily reproducible by others, so that the whole Church contributes to the reversal of climate change. Eco warriors please contact the Parish office with your ideas.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/the-green-church-showcase/>

Let us Pray

Almighty God, you are all light, in you there is no darkness. Let your light shine upon us in all its radiance, so that we may walk gladly in the way of your commandments. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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