



# Sacred Heart Goudhurst & Saint Barnabas Hawkhurst Parish Newsletter

27 June 2021, Thirteenth Sunday, Year B

## Mass Times

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

Book as usual through: [thechurchisopen@gmail.com](mailto:thechurchisopen@gmail.com)

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

## Anniversaries

Jane Nutt, Mark Barron, Bryan James Samuels, Mary Riordan, Paul Dyer, Nicholas Morland, and Frank Douglas.

## 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.*

## Second Collection

There is a second collection this Sunday in aid of Peter's Pence. This collection by reason of the bond of unity and charity, the bishops of the Church, with their people, join together to produce those means which the Holy Father and the Apostolic See need to exercise works of mercy and charity and its service of the Universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are destined to church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects as well as to the support of the Holy See.

There is a blue envelope in the gift aid pack which will help your gift go further.

## In the Footsteps of Pilgrims

One of our parishioners, Stephanie Gallier will be walking the 90 miles from Southwark to Canterbury as part pilgrimage and part fundraising. She will be setting off on Tuesday 6th July and finishing in Canterbury on Sunday 18th July which is Nelson Mandela Day.

Any funds raised will be used to buy books for children's reading clubs in a remote rural community in Eastern Cape, South Africa.

If you would like to know more about the pilgrimage, or would like to join the walk at any point on the way, then please contact Steph for an itinerary: [steph.gallier@gmail.com](mailto:steph.gallier@gmail.com)

To support the charity and donate, then please visit the website:

<https://www.tvschools.org.uk/walk-for-books-donate-now/>

**Humanity at Work**

In 1941, a young Catholic priest, José María Arizmendiarieta settled in Mondragón, a town with a population of 7,000 that had not yet recovered from the poverty, hunger, exile, and tension of the Spanish Civil War. In 1943, he established a technical college which became a training ground for managers, engineers and skilled labour for local companies, and primarily for the co-operatives.

Arizmendiarieta spent a number of years educating young people about a form of humanism based on solidarity and participation, in harmony with Catholic social teaching, and the importance of acquiring the necessary technical knowledge before creating the first co-operative.

In 1955, he selected five young people to set up the first company of the co-operative and the industrial beginning of Mondragon Corporation. Today it employs over 80,000 people and is the world's largest employee owned enterprise. <https://www.mondragon-corporation.com/en/>

**Safeguarding**

The Catholic bishops of England and Wales have appointed the former Chief Crown Prosecutor in the Rochdale grooming gang cases as the Chair of their new safeguarding agency.

The appointment of Nazir Afzal as the Chair of the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) was formally announced at an online press conference.

**Mother Earth**

One of the 7 principles of Catholic Social Teaching is the Option for the poor. This reminds us of God's preferential love for the poorest and most vulnerable people. God's love is universal, he loves the humble. More recently some Catholic theologians have spoken about an option for the earth. Pope Francis writes "the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor."

An Easter pilgrimage in the diocese of Northampton brought parishioners from five churches together to contemplate the beauty of creation and the dangers of climate change. "This pilgrimage was something we wanted to do to make a difference," explained Alban MacDonald, who helped organise a fifty-mile walk through the beautiful Bedfordshire countryside. "The climate change theme was spot on for us," says Alban. "We need to think not just of ourselves right now, but what's going to happen to future generations." The pilgrimage took place as part of a campaign which is calling on politicians to work together to tackle climate change and support the transition to sustainable energy.

NB: "We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children." (Indigenous proverb)

**Let us Pray**

Through Christ we are sons of God: in him we see what we shall be when we come to the Father. You are the the Lord and source of our freedom: -bring those in captivity of mind or body to the freedom of the children of God. Lord in your mercy hear our prayer. Amen

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