

Parish of Ramsgate & Minster Christmas Services & Confessions



Wesołych Świąt!

St. Ethelbert's: Christmas Day see details overleaf.

Boxing Day – Mass at 9.30am NO Adoration or Rosary.

Wednesday to Friday: Adoration 8.30am, followed by Rosary & Mass at 9.30am. **Saturday,** Rosary at 9.10am followed by Mass at 9.30am.

Confessions: Saturday, after Mass - 10.00am to 10.30am, Saturday evening and Sunday, before all Masses.

St. Augustine's Shrine: Christmas Day see details overleaf.

Boxing Day to Saturday, Mass at 12.00noon daily. No Adoration on Tuesdays until 9th January 24. **Confessions** during the 12.00noon Mass on Sundays and by request before/after the noon Mass daily.

Minster Abbey: Christmas Day see details overleaf.

Boxing Day to Saturday, Mass at 9.00am.

Sunday, 31st December Mass at 10.00am.

Monday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God, Mass at 10.00am

Visitor Centre is closed and will reopen on Wednesday, 3rd January 2024.

Please remember in your prayers over this Season of Christmas all our parishioners and family members who have died or who are sick.

Crib Offerings to be donated to Aid to The Churches in Need.

There is only 1 collection at Masses over Christmas this is your gift to the priests of the parish.



2023

Sunday, 24th December 23 4th Sunday of Advent (B)	8.30am - Gavin Bailey RIP 10.00am - Power & Francis Families 10.00am Minster Abbey 12.00noon (<i>Polish</i>) - Teresa & Andrzej Swiderskieh 12.00noon (<i>Latin</i>) - People of the Parish 5.00pm Carols 5.30pm Childrens Mass – People of the Parish 9.00pm Carols 9.30pm Vigil Mass – William & Phyllis Rapley RIP 12.00 Midnight Mass Minster Abbey 12.00 Midnight Mass (<i>Polish</i>) Intentions of the Polish Community and Our Relatives 12.00 Midnight (<i>Sung Latin</i>) Simon RIP	St. A St. E Min St. E St. A St. E St. E St. E St. E Min St. E St. A
Monday, 25th December 23 <i>The Nativity of The Lord</i> <i>Christmas Day</i>	8.30am – People of the Parish 10.00am - St. Ethelbert’s Choir 10.00am Minster Abbey 12.00noon (<i>Sung Latin</i>) - Dawn Whitney 12.00noon (<i>Polish</i>) Intentions Polish Community & Our Relatives.	St. A St. E Min St. A St. E
Tuesday, 26th December 23 <i>Feast of St. Stephen</i>	9.00am Minster Abbey 9.30am – Dante Silva & Family 12.00noon – Pauline Quick - Wellbeing 12.00noon (<i>Polish</i>) – Liliana Banaś	Min St. E St. A St. E
Wednesday, 27th December <i>St. John, Apostle</i>	9.00am Minster Abbey 9.30am (<i>Latin</i>) – Karen Dye RIP 12.00noon – Sue Brown, Health & Wellbeing	Min St. E St. A
Thursday, 28th December 23 <i>The Holy Innocents</i>	9.00am Minster Abbey 9.30am - Ron Francis RIP 12.00noon - Veronica Carnell RIP	Min St. E St. A
Friday, 29th December 23 <i>St. Thomas of Canterbury</i>	9.00am Minster Abbey 9.30am – Natalie, James, Jacob & Joshua Thomas - Birthday 12.00noon - Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon 6.00pm (<i>Polish</i>)- Holy Souls - November List	Min St. E St. A St. E
Saturday, 30th December 23 <i>6th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	9.00am Minster Abbey 9.30am – Sheila Turner RIP 12.00noon – Sue Hicks & Family 5.30pm - Sr. Mary Ita RIP	Min St. E St. A St. E
Sunday, 31st December 23 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>	8.30am – People of the Parish 10.00am – Doug Pegg RIP – 30 th Anniversary 10.00am Minster Abbey 12.00noon (<i>Sung Latin</i>)- Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon 12.00noon (<i>Polish</i>)- Dudek Family	St. A St. E Min St. A St. E

Prayer Candles: *St. Ethelbert's*: Willaim & Phyllis Rapley RIP, Steven Godden RIP, June, Barry, Helena’s Family & Ali Family, Dennis McClosky, David Power. *St. Augustine's*: S. Hastings, Mo Leung – Private Intention.



My Dear Friends,



The birth of Jesus is celebrated in the West on the 25th of December. This was to replace an older pagan feast of Light after the equinox. It is entirely fitting to celebrate Jesus, the true Light, on the very days after the sunlight begins to expand. All of us can understand the difference between darkness and light. English winter afternoons can be pretty gloomy but then in June we have the longest days! There is so much darkness in the world with the evil of war, deceit, globalist control freakery and harmful ideologies. How much we need the Prince of Peace! His Gospel gives us the key to the door of waging peace rather than war; of love rather than hatred; of humility rather than pride. Let us resolve to sit at the feet of Our Blessed Lord and Our Blessed Lady to learn anew the liberating lessons of the Gospel of Peace!

I wish each and every one of you a Happy Celebration of Christmas and every Blessing for AD 2024.

Fr. Christopher Basden on behalf of Fr. Simon Heans, Fr. Ryszard Hanaczewski & Fr. Gabriel Diaz Patri (At the Shrine).