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Newsletter for Sunday, 28th January 2024

Parish Priest: Fr Christopher Basden; **Shrine Chaplain:** Fr Simon Heans; **Polish Chaplain:** Fr. Ryszard Hanaczewski;
Deacon: Rev'd Peter Brown; **Visitor Centre Administrator:** Andrew Kelly; **Safeguarding Officer:** Kate Morgan.
Minster Abbey, (Mother Nikola & Sisters; Sunday Mass at 10.00am and daily Mass at 9.00am.) (01843 821254)
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St. Ethelbert's School: Headteacher, Mr. Simon Marshall - (01843 585555)

My Dear People,

In today's Gospel we see Our Blessed Lord confronting the Evil One. So often we can feel overwhelmed by the forces of evil, hatred and injustice in our world. How much do we need a Saviour! At the heart of the proclamation of Jesus is the call for each of us to repent. That clears the path for us to properly stand up against the forces of evil in our own personal life and beyond. When we look at a situation like Gaza with so many being killed every day (26,000; a third of them children) we yearn for some way out of this human quagmire. It seems there is no solution to this conflict and this scenario in smaller ways happens at some point, in every one of our lives. We get involved in a mess, often make it worse and then struggle to extricate ourselves from this misery. All the more reason that we need to live the life of grace, making the most of Confession, Holy Communion, the Rosary and the Mass. Without the Grace of God, we are consigned to staying in our predicament. Thanks be to God for our Saviour and His Gospel of peace!

On 10th February, Bishop Paul Hendricks (now the Assistant Bishop for Kent) is coming to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to 30 young people and a few adults. Please pray for them to use this gift of grace all the days of their lives. On the very same day Sister Mildred Mary, at Minster, will be Solemnly Professed. (I cannot believe it is 5 years since I attended her Simple Profession). Religious Profession is a radical expression of living our Baptism and Confirmation. In addition to the ordained ministry which serve the Church sacramentally we have the religious life which is essentially a presence of witness and service. In the old days we had a dozen convents in Thanet serving the Church in educational and healing ministry and now there are only two left, one is our Monastery of the ten Sisters at Minster!

Let us pray for all of these and may we really utilise the amazing Grace of God! We ask Our Lady's prayers.

Fr Christopher on behalf of Fr Simon and Fr Ryszard

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
4th Sunday <i>Ordinary Time (B)</i> <i>Racial Justice Day</i>	28 th Jan 24	10.00am	Trevor Vandervord RIP	8.30am	John Thompson (IP)
		12.00noon <i>Polish</i>	Gosia English & Family (SC)	12.00noon <i>Sung Latin</i>	People of the Parish
Monday <i>Feria</i>	29 th Jan	9.30am	John McQuaid - Wellbeing	12.00noon	Private Intention (SC)
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	30 th Jan	9.30am	Moyra Kozulka RIP	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
Wednesday <i>St. John Bosco</i>	31 st Jan	9.30am <i>Latin</i>	Milan Rebec RIP	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	1 st Feb	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon	12.00noon	Private Intention (SC)
Friday <i>The Presentation of The Lord</i>	2 nd Feb	9.30am	Mr. Felix Menezes RIP	12.00noon <i>Ordinarate</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
		6.00pm <i>Polish</i>	Renata & Jacek	7.30pm <i>(Latin)</i>	Denis McClosky RIP
Saturday <i>St. Blaise</i>	3 rd Feb	9.30am	Denis McClosky RIP	12.00noon	S. Carnell
		5.30pm	Mary Cotton – Birthday.		
5th Sunday <i>Ordinary Time (B)</i>	4 th Feb 24	10.00am	Trevor & Family	8.30am	Mrs. Frances Orbell
		12.00noon <i>Polish</i>	Ania & Leszek Woźniak – Wedding Anniversary	12.00noon <i>Sung Latin</i>	

Prayer Candles: *St. Ethelbert's:* Moyra Kozulka RIP, Mary Cotton - Birthday.

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: *St Ethelbert's*: Monday - Friday: 8.30am. *St Augustine's*: on Tuesday 12.45 – 3.00pm.
Rosary: *St Ethelbert's*: Monday – Friday 9.00am, Sat 9.10am. **Mothers' Prayers:** St. Ethelbert's Parish Room on 1st Friday of the month at 12.00noon followed by **1st Friday Rosary** at 12.30pm. **1st Saturday Devotion to Our Blessed Lady:** 1st Saturday of the Month. **Confessions:** *St Ethelbert's*: Sat 10.15am & 5.00pm and 9.30am on Sunday. *St Augustine's*: Tues - Thurs following Mass & during 12.00noon Mass on Sundays. *Polish Confessions:* Sunday: 11.30am & Friday: 5.30pm. **Additional Latin Mass at St. Augustine's on Friday 2nd February – Feast of The Presentation of The Lord at 7.30pm.**

NOTICES /EVENTS

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our Parish: M. Marjoam, A. Fell, Edward Smalley, David Hall, T. Webster, H. Russell, Joan Hall, B. Mallon, A. Gosling, Mary Austen, Kathy Knobbs, Olive Carney, Frank Tierney, A. Lucas, Vicky & Kevin Nicholas, Sylvia Quinn, Susanna King, Adrienne Taylor, Sr. Aelred, Mark Harvey, Valerie & Michael Godden, Eileen & Jack McCaughan, Jef Silva, Steve Lawlor, Eileen Crowley, Yan Kelly, Norma McAllister, Patricia Smalley, Jane Ryan, Edmond Glean, William Carbury, Carlos Hernandez, Christopher Egan, Tom Phelan, Martin Flannery, Kay Lovett, Julie Foreman, Kevin Pender, Eileen Chapman, Alex Jordan, Doreen Browning, Eleanor McGinley, Diana Philpott, Tarlie Sansom, Tilda Doherty, Mary Cotton, Diane Sinclair-St Claire, Roz & Vincent Lennon, Fr. Philip Seed, Canon Luke Smith, Maggie Smith, Uta Nedd, Connie, Mary & Bernadette O'Donaghue, Luke Kelly, Mary Northrop, Anthony Hope.

Please remember in your prayers: Denis McClosky, Trevor Vandervord and Moyra Kozulko who died recently.

Social Committee Meeting to be held at St. Ethelbert's Parish Room on Wednesday, 31st January at 2.30pm.

At St. Ethelbert's - The Monday Catechesis Group meets again this week at 4.30pm in the Parish Room. The subject is The Mass: Scripture, Theology and History with Dr Brant Pitre. All welcome. Fr. Simon

2nd Collection – for the Catholic Association for Racial Justice, supporting the work to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and wider society.

Visitor Centre: St Augustine Visitor Centre and Church are open to visitors Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri and Sat – 12.30pm – 3.30pm.

Baptismal Preparation for Polish and English Baptisms: If you are planning a Baptism, please contact a priest on 01843 592071 or leave a message in the Parish Office, in good time to ensure that Baptismal preparation can take place.

For 1st Holy Communion Preparation: Contact – Catechist Mrs Julie Rydz.

Confirmation & Pre 1st Holy Communion Faith Club: Contact - Catechist Mrs Patricia Smalley.

Sunday Tea/Coffee Rota in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass. Laura is looking for volunteers to join the rota to help with the tea/coffee on a Sunday morning.

Ministries for the Sick and Bereaved: If you know of sick or bereaved parishioners who may like a home visit, please obtain their permission and forward details to Parish Office on 01843 592071.

If you are in hospital: If you or a family member is admitted to hospital and requires a priest to visit, inform the ward you are a Catholic and wish to be visited by a priest. Contact the priest on 01843 592071, to let him know you are in hospital and you require the Sacrament of the Sick.

Diocese Posters for Information and future events are displayed in the porch and at the back of church.

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