



**Parish of Ramsgate & Minster**  
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**Shrine of St Augustine & National Pugin Centre,**  
**St Augustine's Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 9NY**

**Newsletter for Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 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)  
**The Divine Retreat Centre:** Fr. Joseph Edattu & Fr. Paul Pallichamkudiyil. Weekday Mass 5.30pm. (01843 586904)  
**St. Ethelbert's School:** Headteacher, Mr. Simon Marshall - (01843 585555)

*Dear Parishioners,*

**Palm Sunday** marks the inauguration of Holy Week. We process with the blessed palms to the church and listen to the Gospel of the Passion. Mother Church bids us to ponder and meditate on The Passion. When we pray the Stations of the Cross it is like looking into a mirror in which we see our own crosses. Our Blessed Lord and Our Blessed Lady teach us how to carry our cross.

**Spy Wednesday** the priests of the Diocese assemble around Archbishop John Wilson, in St. George's Cathedral, Southwark. At that Mass the priests reaffirm their Consecration and the Holy Oils (sick, Baptism, Chrism) are blessed.

**Maundy Thursday** in both churches the 'The Mass of The Lord's Supper' in both churches. This night we celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist and we have Adoration until midnight.

**Good Friday** we have the solemn liturgy of The Lord's Death at which the Passion of St. John is read. Then we kiss the Cross and the Communion of the Pre-sanctified is administered. (Polish 12.00noon, English and Traditional Latin both at 3.00pm).

**Holy Saturday** the Day of Świąconka (Polish Blessing of food). As soon as the sun goes down the celebration of Easter begins. We read the great prophecies in the light of the Risen Christ. We renew our Baptismal vows and converts are often Baptised.

**Easter** the Octave lasts a week and we celebrate until Pentecost on 18<sup>th</sup> May. **CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE!**  
*Fr Christopher on behalf of Fr Simon and Fr Ryszard*

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>Palm Sunday (B)</b>	24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Des Sheriff	8.30am	People of the Parish
<b>Collection for Flowers after Mass</b>	March 2024	12.00noon <i>Polish</i>	The healing of Stephen.	<b>10.30am.</b> <i>(Sung Old Rite)</i>	Thomas' Intention
<b>Holy Monday Feria</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon	12.00noon	Fr. Simon - Wellbeing
<b>Holy Tuesday Feria</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Rita & Keith Andrews - Wellbeing	12.00noon	Pauline Leeming RIP
<b>Holy Wednesday Feria</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>NO Mass at 9.30am</b>		12.00noon	Melanie Leeming
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> Mass of the Lord's Supper <b>(Adoration until Midnight)</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am  7.30pm	Whole School Mass – Julie Rydz Intentions.  Lorraine Mulvihill RIP – 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary.	7.30pm	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon <i>(Old Rite Triduum)</i>
<b>Good Friday</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am 12.00noon (Polish) 3.00pm (English) 6.00pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Childrens Stations of the Cross Passion & Veneration of the Cross  Passion & Veneration of the Cross  Station of the Cross (English) Divine Mercy (Polish/English) Stations of the Cross (Polish)	11.30am  3.00pm	Stations of the Cross - Outside Passion & Venerations of the Cross <i>(Old Rite Triduum)</i>
<b>Holy Saturday</b>  <i>Easter Vigil (Polish/English)</i>	30 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00, 10.00 & 11.00am 3.00pm 8.00pm	Świąconka (Polish Blessing of Food)  Divine Mercy (Polish/English)  Mother Nikola on her Anniversary.	8.00pm	Easter Vigil <i>(Old Rite Triduum)</i> Thomas' Intention
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> March	10.00am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Rita & Keith Andrews Isa & Peter Divine Mercy (Polish/English)	8.30am 12.00noon	People of the Parish Lorraine Mulvihill RIP – 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary <i>(Old Rite Triduum)</i>

**Prayer Candles: St. Ethelberts:** Fr. Christopher, Fr. Simon, Deacon Peter and Deacon Robin.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 12.00noon followed by **1<sup>st</sup> Friday Rosary** at 12.30pm. **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Devotion to Our Blessed Lady:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Please see the Easter Leaflet available at the back of church for full details of Holy Week and the Easter Tridium Services.**

**Please remember in your prayers the sick of our Parish:** M. Marjoam, A. Fell, Edward Smalley, .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, 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, 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, Brylle Buenaventura, Catherine Tocci, Julian Tranguille, Dorothy Dilnot, Lisa Taylor, Rena Gathercole, Liliana Banas, Pauline Gladman, Piotr Kapuśniak, Tim Bowell, Julie Foreman,.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Bridge Sharpin, Alexei, Denise Packer, Philip Mehlin, Michael McPartland, Dixon Graterol, Pauline Leeming, Denis McClosky, Hilary Rhoades, Gabriel Costello, Trevor Vandervord and Moyra Kozulko, all who died recently.

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

**Catholic couple from the parish of Ramsgate,** with four little children, are looking for a babysitter for 3 mornings a week (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays). The hourly rate to be discussed. The job will be with 3 little children, for about 2 – 3 hours in the mornings, the oldest is 3 years old. A Polish speaking person without any English is welcome, as the mother is Polish and speaks both Polish & English.

Also, the family require a lift home, from St. Ethelbert's School, for their son on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to the St. Augustine's area of Ramsgate. More info please call 07565676749 if you can help with either babysitting or with transport.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Preparation: Contact –** Catechist Mrs Julie Rydz.

**Confirmation & Pre 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Faith Club: Contact -** Catechist Mrs Patricia Smalley.

**Future Events:**

**Easter Raffle –** Tickets available at Sunday Coffee in the Parish Hall after 10.00am Mass. Donations of gifts for prizes welcome.

**Wine & Wisdom Evening** on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> April in St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall starting at 7.00pm.

**Polish '80's' Evening,** 13<sup>th</sup> April, in the Parish Hall from 6.00pm for Polish and English Communities, all welcome.

**Social Afternoon** for Senior Members of the Parish to be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm.

**Donations for Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones:** Julie Rydz – For deceased family and friends. Maureen Francis – For deceased family and friends. Rita & Keith Andrews for Stanley & Marjorie Andrew's & Frank & Dora Hodgson RIP. P. Davis – In memorial of Bridget Davis RIP. Peter Hulcoop: In memory of Ivy Jessica Lillian Hulcoop RIP.

**Request for Forsythia and greenery** to decorate the church for Easter, please bring during this week.

**Parish of The Holy Family, Birchington –** 'Easter Family Feaster', Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March from 12.00 – 3.00pm.

**Parish of Our Lady Immaculate, Whitstable –** 'Building a Better Marriage' Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> April from 9.30am – 4.30pm in Parish Hall.

**Please see full details on the posters at the back of church.**

**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 advise you are in hospital/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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**Website:** [www.augustine-pugin.org.uk](http://www.augustine-pugin.org.uk). Newsletters can now be accessed from the Shrine homepage:

[Home - Shrine of St Augustine & The National Pugin Centre \(augustine-pugin.org.uk\)](http://www.augustine-pugin.org.uk).

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH WHEN YOU ARE WRITING YOUR WILL.**