



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster
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Newsletter for Sunday, 3rd 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

I think I told some of you that my attention (naturally at my age) was alerted to a headline which said, 'How to avoid Alzheimerz'.... and guess what was first on the list? FASTING! I said to The Lord, 'OK, so you speak to me now through the daily newspaper!' The fact is that in earlier times humans never feasted every day but, in these times, we are spoilt with an overabundance of food, especially sugar. Today I read in the newspaper that the world is no longer plagued by famine but instead by an obesity crisis. I am the first one to admit that fasting is very difficult. Nevertheless, The Lord says, '**When** you fast and not **if** you fast.' How then can we accomplish something that is so difficult and goes against the grain? Having an intention for the fast is a great help. It gives us an incentive and a motivation to keep at it. The Lord said, 'This type of demon can only be expelled through prayer **and fasting.**' Also, in little ways we can just avoid eating between meals and obeying the old regime of having one full meal a day and two snacks. God knows how much prayer is needed in this world of ours so let's make the most of Lent, it will all be over by the end of the month. Don't forget also to make use of the **DAILY MASSES** in four different places at four different times. Also, the Stations of the Cross have **NOT** been well attended on Fridays.

We ask Our Lady's prayers for peace in the world and to move us to do something for Lent!

Ps. We need more Mass offerings!

Fr Christopher on behalf of Fr Simon and Fr Ryszard

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
3rd Sunday of Lent (B)	3 rd March 2024	10.00am	Pat Woods Intentions	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>Polish</i>	Gregory & Family	12.00noon <i>Sung Latin</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
Monday Feria	4 th March	9.30am	Rena Gathercole - Wellbeing	12.00noon	For Arthur's Intentions
Tuesday Feria	5 th March	9.30am	Niki Kulasingha	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon.
Wednesday Feria	6 th March	9.30am <i>(Latin)</i>	Fleming Masses Trust	(10.00am)	Funeral of Denise Packer RIP
				12.00noon	Private Intention.
Thursday Feria	7 th March	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon	12.00noon	For Arthur's Intentions
Friday Feria	8 th March	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon	11.15am	Stations of the Cross
		6.00pm	Stations of the Cross (English)	12.00noon <i>Ordinariate</i>	Owen Williams - Anniversary
		6.30pm <i>Polish Mass</i>	Fr. Pawel Stebel	12.30pm	Lenten Lunches
		7.30pm	Stations of the Cross (Polish)		
Saturday Our Blessed Lady	9 th March	9.30am	Rita Andrews Intentions	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
		5.30pm	Patricia Smalley - Birthday		
4th Sunday of Lent (B) Laetare Sunday	10 th March 2024	10.00am	Walter & Sudha Evans	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>Polish</i>	Fr. Marian Jusziuyk	12.00noon <i>Sung Latin</i>	

Prayer Candles: St. Ethelbert's: Rita Andrews – Birthday. RIP. **St. Augustine's:** Mo Leung & Family

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:** (1st March) 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:** (2nd March) 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.
Stations of the Cross at St. Ethelbert's on Friday at 6.00pm (English) and (Polish) 7.30pm following the 6.30pm Mass. At St. Augustine's on Fridays at 11.15am and after 12.00noon Mass there will be Lenten Lunch served.

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, 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, Brylle Buenaventura, Catherine Tocci, Julian Tranguille, Dorothy Dilnot, Lisa Taylor, Rena Gathercole, Liliana Banas.

Please remember in your prayers: 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.

Saturday, 9th March at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall – Celebration of International Women's Day, for all parishioners. We thank the Polish Community for organising this event.

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. More info please call on 07565676749.

Further information on A Day With Mary 2024 Pilgrimages to Fatima (7-14 June) and Italy (4-12 September) is available at www adaywithmary.org or email adwmary.uk@gmail.com Poster at the back of Church.

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.

Food Donations for those in need – St. Austin & Gregory's Parish, Margate - urgently require food donation for their food bank and donations of money to support their work. Please place food in the pink tub 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 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.

Youth & Young Adult Events in the Archdiocese, please see the posters and information at the back of church.

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St Augustine's: **Facebook, Twitter & Instagram:** @AugustinePugin **or on YouTube:** /staugustinesramsgate
Website: 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://Home-Shrine-of-St-Augustine-&The-National-Pugin-Centre(augustine-pugin.org.uk)).

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH WHEN YOU ARE WRITING YOUR WILL.