



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

**Newsletter for Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 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,*

Today is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' when traditionally we pray for Vocations to the priesthood. Shepherding is something we are all called to do, especially parents but priests must shepherd in a spiritual way, nourishing souls with the Bread of Life and the Word of God. We desperately need more priests as the western world suffers from a demographic implosion. In other words, we do not have enough births so we have to import workers including priests! Our Archdiocese of Southwark (which comprises of all of London south of the river and the whole of Kent) now has about 45% of its priests from Africa! Ramsgate has only produced 2 priestly vocations in the last generation. One is Canon William Hudson of the Institute of Christ the King. He went to St. Augustine's School and is now Headmaster of a school in Belgium. The other is Fr. Krzysztof Senetra, originally Polish, who worked at The San Clu Hotel. With the help of Vincent and Roz Lennon he entered the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter and is now in Canada. We need to pray for more vocations every day as without priests there is no Mass and no Sacraments. The cultic ministry of priests is complemented by the prophetic ministry of the Religious. In our parish we are blessed to have 10 Religious Women, the Benedictine Nuns of Minster. Please pray everyday for your Priests and Religious and that there may be more vocations.

*Fr Christopher on behalf of Fr Simon and Fr Ryszard*

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (B)</b> <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood &amp; Religious Life</i>	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2004	10.00am	Maggie Smith – Wellbeing	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Lilliana Banas' Intentions	12.00noon. <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Trish Newing
<b>Monday</b> <i>Feria</i>	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	9.30am	Milan Rebec RIP	12.00noon	Mr Sntharan Sihampalam RIP
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>St. George</i>	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	9.30am	Angelina Mitchell RIP	12.00noon	Anthony Spong RIP
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Feria</i>	24 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am <i>(Latin)</i>	The Family of Claris Rebec	12.00noon	Janet Kitson & Family
		<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Reception of Eileen Olive Cranny RIP</b>		
<b>Thursday</b> <i>St. Mark</i>	25 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>10.00am</b>	Funeral of Eileen Olive Cranny RIP	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
<b>Friday</b> <i>Feria</i>	26 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am <b>No Polish Mass</b>	John Albert Alan Vingoe (IP) -	12.00noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Our Blessed Lady</i>	27 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Claris Rebec – Wellbeing	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montiligeon
		5.30pm	Eve Evans RIP		
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (B)</b> <i>Collection for Maintenance of St. George's Cathedral</i>	28 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	Yvonne Hernandez RIP – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary.	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Health of Grandson-Piotr Kaspuśniak	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Fiona & Ben Newton – 40 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**Prayer Candles:** *St. Ethelbert's:* People of the Parish. *St. Augustine's:* Kathy.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection today is for Priest Training Fund** this collection helps to meet the cost of training students for the priesthood and permanent diaconate and supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy. Envelopes at the back of Church.

**Next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for upkeep of St. George's Cathedral (The Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark).**

**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, 15 minutes of prayer to Our Blessed Lady after Mass. **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. **St. Ethelbert's Thursday, Mass at 10.00am. Funeral for Eileen Olive Cranny RIP – No Adoration or Rosary. No Polish Mass on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00pm.**

**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, Guy Rowe.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Eileen Olive Cranny, Bridget 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 help with transport to Herne Bay to take their 2 children to a babysitter for 3 mornings a week (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays). The hourly rate to be discussed. A Polish speaking person without any English is welcome, as the mother is Polish and speaks both Polish & English. Also transport to St. Ethelbert's School from the St. Augustine's area of Ramsgate for more info please call 07565676749 if you can help 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:**

**Parish Social Afternoon for Senior Parishioners** on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Feast of St. George** – Celebration in St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall, to be held on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April after the 10.00am Mass, with refreshments and a raffle for Parish Funds.

**Helena's Coffee Morning** to raise funds for the Parish on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am in the Parish Hall.

**St. St. Augustine's Week: (Full details to follow)**

**Blessing of the Sea by Bishop Paul Hendricks** – Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May at 4.30pm. followed by reception at The Divine Retreat Centre.

**Talk by Fr. Marcus** on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm. followed by Benediction.

**Organ Recital** on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> May by David Newsholme, Director of Music at Canterbury Cathedral, at 7.00pm.

**Talk brought to you by The Kolbe Centre/Family Life International on 'Evolution Fact or Fiction?'** to be held at St. Augustine's Shrine on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May at 7.00pm.

**We need Mass Intentions** for both St. Ethelbert's & St. Augustine's. Polish Masses are booked up until July 2024. If you require a Mass for a special intention please book early. Mass Stipends are £10.00.

**Volunteers Required,** who can make a firm commitment to help with the Sunday (after Mass) - Tea/Coffee Rota.

**Fr. Simon has some DVDs 'Love & Mercy: Faustina'** which tells the incredible true story of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska 'Apostle' of Divine Mercy please see Patricia Smalley. at the Repository.

**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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**St Augustine's: Facebook, Twitter & Instagram:** @AugustinePugin or on YouTube: /staugustinesramsgate

**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.**