



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

**Newsletter for Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 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).

*My Dear People,*

His Grace the Archbishop is appointing a new priest for Ramsgate. His name is Fr. Jonathon Routh. He was raised in nearby Cranbrook and attended Edinburgh University where he was received into the Catholic Church. For several years he taught at Victoria College, in Alexandria (where Omar Sharif and the philosopher, Edward Said attended school). He then tried his vocation as a Benedictine monk in Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight, but changed his mind and went to our seminary in Womersley. He was Ordained in 2012 and has had three appointments including being the full-time chaplain at St. George's Hospital, Tooting. This new appointment enables me to retire from parish ministry. Of course, we are priests for ever and retired priests help many parishes everywhere. I often joke that most men my age are dead and the remaining few have long retired! Basically, a big parish like this needs a man at the helm with energy, zeal and initiative. I no longer have these like I once had! This change should come in September and I will not only keep in touch but will hopefully visit all of you from time to time. I am most grateful to my two Co-Pilots, Fr. Simon Heans and Fr. Ryszard.

Last Thursday, like today, we had the crowning of Our Lady's statue with the whole school in attendance. What are YOU going to do for Our Blessed Lady in this month of May? I like to quote St. Josemaria, 'Love of Our Mother will be the breath which will kindle into a living flame the embers of virtue hidden under the ashes of your indifference!'

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

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <b>(B)</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	10.00am	Richard Smith (IP)	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Health of Grandson, Piotr Kaspuśniak	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Desmond Sheriff RIP
<b>Monday</b> <i>St. John Paine</i>	6 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Arthur Gentle & Pearl Doherty & Family	12.00noon	Megan & Ben – For safe travel.
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>Feria</i>	7 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Edith & William Power RIP	12.00noon	Maggie Smith for healing & Mum's birthday.
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Feria</i>	8 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am <i>(Latin)</i>	Olive Christiana Lupton RIP	12.00noon	Catherine Princess of Wales for health & wellbeing.
<b>Thursday</b> <b>Feast of the Ascension</b>  <b>Holy Day of Obligation</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	St. Ethelbert's School	12.00noon	Fleming Masses Trust (IP)
		<b>6.00pm</b> <i>(Polish)</i>	Liliana Banas – Thanksgiving.	<b>7.30pm</b> <i>(Latin)</i>	People of the Parish
<b>Friday</b> <i>St. John de Ávila</i>	10 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Joyce Forman RIP (100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)	12.00noon <i>(Ordinatee)</i>	John Carnell
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Feria</i>	11 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Dan Scala RIP	12.00noon	Tessie RIP
		5.30pm	Edward Smalley - Wellbeing		
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <b>(B)</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - World Communications Day</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	10.00am	Liz & John O'Riordan	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Jadwiga Kowalska – Health & Wellbeing.	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Fred Gobel RIP

**Prayer Candles:** *St. Ethelbert's:* Maureen, Rena, Laura, Thanksgiving for Deal Ladies Group.

**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. **Thursday, Feast of the Ascension -** St. Ethelbert's additional Polish Mass at 6.30pm and 7.30pm Latin Mass at St. Augustine's Shrine.

**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'Donoghue, 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:** Beryl Poole, 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 Movra 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.

**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.

**Parish 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion** will take place on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> May at 3.00pm for all those children who have completed their Sacramental Preparation and received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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

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

**Social Afternoon for Senior Members of the Parish**, Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, at 2.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**Parish Wine & Wisdom, Fun Quiz Night** on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 4.00pm in the Parish Hall. See poster for full details.

**Parish BBQ on 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Joint Polish & English event, with just one Mass at 11.00am for Polish and English families - BBQ to follow.

**Fr. Simon's Monday Group** continues at 4.30pm in the Parish Room. We are now on Holiness in the New Testament, a 30-minute video followed by discussions.

**Feast of St. Augustine & St. Augustine's Week:**

**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.

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

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

**The Annual Mass for London Migrant Workers in honour of St. Joseph the Worker** is on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024, at St. George's Cathedral, London SE1 6HR at 12.30pm. All are invited, you are welcome to come in national dress if you wish to take part in the banner procession at 12.15pm.

**Catholic couple from the parish of Ramsgate**, with four little children, are looking for any volunteer to help with the children any hours during the day, any days of the week, it would be with 2 little children (2 years and 3 years old) or after 3.00pm to help with any of the 4 children e.g. taking one or two for a walk. Also required, transport to St. Ethelbert's School to arrive before 9.00am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, please call 07565676749 if you can help.

**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.

**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://Home - Shrine of St Augustine & The National Pugin Centre (augustine-pugin.org.uk)).

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