



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster
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Newsletter for Sunday, 25th August 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,

I cannot believe that this my last newsletter! This time next week, God Willing, I shall entrust you all to Fr. Jonathon Routh and drive to Sidcup to begin my last chapter! Actually, I never planned this, but nature stepped in while I was in France, March of 2023. In the presence of Cardinal Burke just before a Priestly Ordination I fainted. A few minutes later I came to and got up for a rather nice French breakfast. However, this was interrupted by the paramedics who asked me would I go to hospital? Thinking it would only be a quick check I agreed and we were off to a small hospital in the middle of the countryside. There the doctors would not allow me to get up saying I had an irregular heartbeat and that I would be transferred to the main hospital in Chartres. Two days later I had a pacemaker put in and three days later I was discharged. A couple of days after that I returned to Ramsgate and the Vicar General (The Bishop's Assistant) telephoned me to say, 'How long do you want to carry on?' – I was shocked by this and said I had no intention at all of retiring. Months later it occurred to me that it is best to retire when you can and not when you are forced. I love being a priest but after 45 years in the vineyard I no longer have the initiative or the energy to properly move this Parish on. I will continue serving as a priest where ever I can, but I can do it better without the paralysing burden of relentless maintenance demands, fundraising and bureaucracy (e.g. Health & Safety, Child Protection etc.) I plan to return on the weekend of 21st/22nd September to properly thank you all on Saturday evening and also to see everyone at most of the weekend Masses.

In the meantime, please, welcome Fr. Jonathon and encourage him in a new world. His Induction as Parish Priest by Bishop Paul Hendricks will be at St. Ethelbert's, Saturday 31st August at 5.30pm with Reception afterwards in the Parish Hall. We entrust his Pastorate to Our Blessed Lady and our wonderful Patron Saints who once stood where we stand now.

God Bless you all, fr Christopher on behalf of fr Simon and fr Ryszard

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
21st Sunday Ordinary (B)	25 th Aug 2024	10.00am	Sadie Marlow RIP	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon (Polish)	Ania & Leszek (SC)	12.00noon (Sung Latin)	Vincent Lennon & Family living & deceased.
Monday <i>Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God</i>	26 th Aug	9.30am	Rena Gathercole	12.00noon	Artur Chocinski – For Graces from Our Blessed Lady.
Tuesday <i>St. Monica</i>	27 th Aug	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Wednesday <i>St. Augustine</i>	28 th Aug	9.30am (Latin)	James Walter George Hulcoop RIP	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Thursday <i>The Passion of St. John the Baptist</i>	29 th Aug	9.30am	Bro. Simon OSB, Chilworth, Intentions	12.00noon	Joseph Bonnefin RIP
Friday <i>SS. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward</i>	30 th Aug	9.30am	Mary Josephine Calway RIP	12.00noon (Ordinariate)	Jennifer Royce RIP
		6.00pm (Polish)	Ewelina (SC)		
Saturday <i>St. Aiden /BVM</i>	31 st Aug	9.30am	Kate Morgan - Birthday	12.00noon	Artur Chocinski for Graces from Our Blessed Lady
		5.30pm	Fr. Jonathon's – Induction Mass		
22nd Sunday Ordinary (B) <i>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</i>	1 st Sept	10.00am	People of the Parish	8.30am	Barbara Hargreaves RIP
		12.00noon (Polish)	Krystof & Piotr (SC)	12.00noon (Sung Latin)	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon

Prayer Candles: St. Ethelbert's: Lee, Flo, Flora Gentleman.

St. Augustine's:

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, with 15 minutes of prayer to Our Blessed Lady after 9.30am Mass. **Confessions:** *St Ethelbert's:* Sat 10.15am & 5.00pm and starting at 9.30am on Sunday and during 10.00am Mass. *St Augustine's:* Tues - Thurs following Mass & during 12.00noon Mass on Sundays. **Polish Confessions:** Sunday: 11.30am & Friday: 5.30pm.

Sundays: St. Augustine's, Tea & Coffee served after the 8.30am Mass in the Visitors Centre & at St. Ethelbert's after the 10.00am Mass in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

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, 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 Lennon, 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, Keith Andrews, Jenny Shaw, Francis Bishop, Flora Gentleman.

Please remember in your prayers: Kazimiera Syposz, Sr. Breda FcJ, Vincent Lennon, Cecil Atkins, 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 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.

Gift Aid Message from Dr. Anne Heans – Parish GA Co-Ordinator: A large number of boxes of Gift Aid envelopes have not been collected. The application for new envelopes starting June 2025 has to be made by mid September and I will NOT order envelopes for anyone who is paying by standing order unless I hear otherwise. If you have recently switched to paying by standing order/using the contactless terminal please let me know asap so I can update your record. a.c.heans52@gmail.com

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.

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.

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.

The next Saturday Social Afternoon for the senior members of the Parish is on Saturday, 14th September 24 at 2.00pm.

Pugin Week starting 7th September 2024, please see Poster at the back of church and take a leaflet detailing all events.

Friends of Kent Churches 'Ride & Stride' on Saturday 14th September 2024 from 10.00am to 6.00pm. We are looking for volunteers to spend an hour at the church during this time. A rota at the back of church please put your contact details if you are able to help.

Forthcoming events:

The Induction of Fr. Jonathon Routh, as Parish Priest, by Bishop Paul Hendricks on Saturday, 31st August at the 5.30pm Mass. This will be followed by a Bring & Share Reception in the Parish Hall.

A list is at the back of Church for people to identify food/drinks they are bringing to Fr. Jonathon's Induction Celebration. Please plate the food up and bring to the Parish Hall, which will be open from 5.00pm and place on the tables provided. The Hall will close at 5.25pm ready for Mass.

Leaving Celebration for Fr. Christopher will be held on Saturday, 21st September at the 5.30pm Mass. This will be a joint English/Polish Mass, followed by a Bring & Share Reception in the Parish Hall. A collection will be held for Fr. Christopher on the weekends of the 8th and 15th September.

Polish Pilgrimage to Aylesford on Saturday, 7th September 2024, please see the poster in the Porch with all the details.

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. 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.