



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster
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Newsletter for Sunday, 4th 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,

How did you react to that infamous parody of the Last Supper at the Olympics Opening Ceremony last Sunday? I didn't watch it live so the full horror of it didn't hit me. In fact, I started thinking about the precedent for it during the French Revolution when a prostitute acting the part of 'the Goddess of Reason' was 'enthroned' on the altar of Notre Dame cathedral. 'Plus ca change.....the more things change, the more they remain the same' as the French say. Then I thought 'and didn't Our Lord encounter mockery during the Passion'?

Then I read Fr Raymond de Souza whose comments gave me a deeper insight into the applicability of the 'plus ca change' saying. He writes: 'Satan knows what Jesus accomplished in the Last Supper: he instituted the means by which he would remain in the world'. Yes, 'plus ca change' indeed. Fr Raymond is surely right to see that ugly tableau as an assault by the Devil on the means of our salvation. That is the teaching of Our Lord in the Gospel reading for today from John 6.

Further to this theme, Fr Raymond also points out that Da Vinci's masterpiece depicts the moment when, as the Gospel of St John puts it, "Satan entered into him". In the Olympics parody, a Blue Man representing Dionysius, the god of revelry and sexual license appeared which was, according to the organisers, supposed to "make us aware of the absurdity of violence between human beings.". Fr Raymond comments: "Revelry and debauchery are not paths to fellowship and harmony. Philosophers know that, as do bouncers who break up bar fights".

At every Mass Our Lord gives us His peace, the peace that comes from the self-sacrificial love which is shared with the world through the Mass first celebrated at the Last Supper. That is the source of true peace – and it is one which the Devil does not want the world to know. We know it. Let's never forget it.

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

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
18th Sunday Ordinary (B)	4 th Aug 2024	10.00am Frank Vandervord – Birthday & Peter Hulcoop – Birthday		8.30am 12.00noon (Sung Latin)	People of the Parish Priests Intentions
Monday Feria	5 th Aug	9.30am Joseph Desa		12.00noon	Rosetta & Antoine Muscat RIP
Tuesday Transfiguration of The Lord	6 th Aug	9.30am Manuel Pinto RIP– 2 nd Anniversary		12.00noon	Doris & Bill Kinane RIP
Wednesday Feria	7 th Aug	9.30am (Latin) Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon		12.00noon	Patricia Lewis RIP – Interment of Ashes
Thursday St. Dominic	8 th Aug	9.30am Harriet L Joad RIP		12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Friday St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	9 th Aug	9.30am Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon 6.00pm (Polish) Anid & Piotr (SC)		12.00noon (Ordinariate)	Priests Intentions
Saturday St. Lawrence	10 th Aug	9.30am Kate Morgan birthday 5.30pm Souls of Mr & Mrs Gonsaãlves RIP		12.00noon	Frank Vandervord - Birthday
19th Sunday Ordinary (B)	11 th Aug	10.00am Trica & Bob Smalley – 43 rd Wedding Anniversary 12.00noon (Polish) Krzysztofa & Haline Za Zmarlych		8.30am 12.00noon (Sung Latin)	David & Sabina Priests Intention

Prayer Candles: St. Ethelbert'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, (2nd August) at 12.00noon followed by **1st Friday Rosary** at 12.30pm. **1st Saturday Devotion to Our Blessed Lady:** 1st Saturday of the month, (3rd August) 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 Tranquille, Dorothy Dilnot, Lisa Taylor, Rena Gathercole, Liliana Banas, Pauline Gladman, Piotr Kapuśniak, Tim Bowell, Julie Foreman, Guy Rowe, Keith Andrews, Jenny Shaw, Francis Bishop.

Please remember in your prayers: 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.

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.

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 a joint English/Polish Mass followed by a Bring & Share Reception in the Parish Hall.

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.

A list is at the back of Church for people to identify food/drinks they are bringing to Fr. Jonathon's Induction Celebration.

Messages from St. Ethelbert's School:

Would you like to join St Ethelberts? Do you know somebody in another school who would like to join St. Ethelbert's instead? If so, please make enquiries at the school office and I would be happy to show you around. You can start in September. Even though we are a Catholic school, everyone is welcome at St Ethelbert's and everyone has a good chance to get a place, even if it's just based on distance. If a year group has a waiting list there is still a good chance for you to get a place; family circumstances change sometimes and people move to other areas so spaces do come up. Please speak to myself or Ms Dowd if you have any questions around admissions. Do not feel you cannot apply because you won't get in as this is not always the case.

We currently have one space in Year 2; three in Year 3; two in Year 5 so please phone or email the school office on 01843 585555 or admin@stethelbertsschool.co.uk. Thank you. **Simon Marshall, Head Teacher**

During the School holidays a message can be left in the Parish Office 01843 592071.

Kitchen utensils/appliances are required for the role play/outdoor play areas, if you have and utensils that are safe for children to use please bring them to the parish office or contact the school.

Diocese Posters for Information and future events are displayed in the porch and at the back of church.

Follow the parish on: St. Ethelbert's: or on Twitter: @catholicramsmin

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.

ON SUNDAYS, DUE TO THE PARISH CAR PARK (NEXT TO THE HALL) BECOMING VERY CONGESTED PLEASE USE THE SCHOOL CAR PARK IN DANE PARK ROAD, AROUND THE CORNER.