



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 8th December 2024

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Dear parishioners,

The 8th December is the feast day of the **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**. This is celebrated in the Traditional Calendar at the Sunday Latin Mass at St Augustine's at 10.00 a.m. with a commemoration of the Second Sunday of Advent. In the new (novus ordo) calendar, with precedence given to the Sunday, the feast has been moved to Monday 9th this year. There are masses at 9.30 a.m. at Star of the Sea, 6.00 p.m. at St Ethelbert's and 12.00 noon at St Augustine's. St Peter Chrisologus wrote 'At a time when he was not himself being born he made man from undefiled clay, when he was being born he made man from an undefiled body'. This undefiled one is the Blessed Virgin Mary, who 'blessed among women' and all people ever, was conceived in the womb of her mother St Anne, without original Sin. This is called her Immaculate Conception that she would be the new Eve, unfallen, undefiled, the holiest of temples for the coming and dwelling of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the word who became flesh and dwelt among us, Jesus Christ Our Lord and God.

Also, this Sunday we have our parish **CHRISTMAS FAYRE** and to make it easier and encourage all parishioners at St Ethelbert's and St Augustine's to support this important annual event in our social calendar, please note the mass times this Sunday:

There will be one morning mass at St Ethelbert's at 11.00 a.m. and the 12.00 noon mass at St Augustine's is at 10.00 a.m.

I hope to see you all at St Ethelbert's Church Hall for lunch and may God bless our Christmas fayre.

God bless Fr Jonathon

| Day | Date | St Ethelbert's | | St Augustine's | |
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| Saturday <i>St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i> 2nd Sunday of Advent (C) | 7 th Dec | 9.30am | Johnny Wallace | 12.00noon <i>(Latin Low Mass)</i> | Vivienne Adam Harkness |
| | | 5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i> | David Cliff RIP & Bernie Davenport RIP | | |
| Sunday | 8 th Dec | 11.00am Parish mass. | Sufa & Piecuch Family RIP | 8.30am 10.00am <i>(Sung Latin)</i> The Immaculate Conception. | People of the Parish Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montileigon |
| Monday <i>Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary</i> | 9 th Dec | 10.00am 6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i> | Funeral of Margaret Linford W intencji Panu Bogu Wiadomej | 12.00noon | Jo Carnell (SC) |
| Tuesday <i>Our Lady of Loreto</i> | 10 th Dec | 9.30am | Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montileigon | 12.00noon | Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montileigon |
| Wednesday <i>St. Damasus I Pope</i> | 11 th Dec | 9.30am <i>(Latin)</i> | Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montileigon | 12.00noon | Fr. Christopher - wellbeing |
| Thursday <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> | 12 th Dec | 9.30am | Freddie Triggs RIP | 12.00noon | Anne Liddle (SC) |
| Friday <i>St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr</i> | 13 th Dec | 9.30am 6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i> | David Michael Peters RIP Ania & Piotr (SC) | 12.00noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i> | Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montileigon |
| Saturday <i>St. John of The Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i> 3rd Sunday of Advent (C) | 14 th Dec | 9.30am 5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i> | Fr. Christopher - Wellbeing Luke Kelly - Thanksgiving | 12.00noon <i>(Latin)</i> | Anne Liddle (SC) |

Prayer Candles: *St. Ethelbert's:* Fr. Christopher – Wellbeing *St. Augustine's:* S. Hastings x 2

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. **No Adoration or Rosary on Monday at St. Ethelbert's.**

Confessions: *St Ethelbert's*: Saturday 10.30am & 4.30pm. *St Augustine's*: Saturday 11.00am and Sunday from 12.00noon. **Polish Confessions:** Sunday: 11.30am & Friday: 5.30pm.

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, 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, Tarlie Sansom, Mary Cotton, Diane Sinclair-St Claire, Roz Lennon, Canon Luke Smith, Maggie Smith, Uta Nedd., Mary Northrop, Anthony Hope, Catherine Tocci, Julian Tranguille, Dorothy Dilnot, Lisa Taylor, Pauline Gladman, Piotr Kapuśniak, Tim Bowell, Julie Foreman, Guy Rowe, Keith Andrews, Fr. Brian Coyle, Jenny Shaw, Francis Bishop, Flora Gentleman, Brylle Buenaventura, Mark Griffin. Fr. Christopher Basden.

Please remember in your prayers Margaret Linford, 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 594031 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, please contact your Parish and ask for a Priest to visit. Contact for Fr. Jonathon is on 01843 594031 or call your local Parish.

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 594031.

Forthcoming events:

At St. Ethelbert's in preparation for Christmas, on Saturday 21st December from 2.00 – 5.00pm, there will be Adoration and Confessions.

Saturday, 21st December at 1.00pm at St. Ethelberts Parish Hall, Senior Parishioners Christmas Party. There is a list at the back of church, please put your name down if you plan to attend.

Forthcoming events at St. Augustine's:

Sunday, 15th December at 5.00pm - Carol Service & Benediction.

Weekend of 13th /14th December there will be a retiring collection after each Mass for flowers for the altar at Christmas. Envelopes will be available in preparation for your Christmas Offering to the priests of the Parish, there is only 1 collection over the Christmas period.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 12th December, prayer sheet at the back of church with 'Motherhood Prayer'.

Mary's Meals Charity - For those who wish to donate at Christmas to Mary's Meals instead of sending Christmas cards to parishioners. If you wish to add your name to the list, please pass your name and donation to the office. *The Charity Mary's Meals helps support children throughout the world who are starving.*

St. Ethelbert's School PTFA Christmas Fair to be held on Friday, 13th December, from 3.00 to 5.00pm. Please come and help support the children and staff.

Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis: From today, every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our schools, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>

Churches Together in Ramsgate:

Open Air Carol Singing: Saturday, 14th December at 12.00noon, at the junction of Queens Street and Harbour Street with the Salvation Army Band.

Sunday, 22nd December at 6.30pm at Ellington Park.

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

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.