



# Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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## Newsletter for Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Parish Priest:** Fr Jonathon Routh email: [jonathonrouth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:jonathonrouth@rcaos.org.uk) & Parish Office email: [ramsgate@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ramsgate@rcaos.org.uk) Tel: 01843 594031. St. Augustine's Shrine email: [augustineshrine@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:augustineshrine@rcaos.org.uk), Tel: 01843 592071. **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,

Well done to all of you who made our Christmas Fayre last Sunday such a happy and profitable event for all our parish. We made a grand total of £3,002.45 before deductions for prizes etc. This is up by £602.45 on last year with great prizes in the raffles and good quality products on sale. Top earner was the grand draw at £953.73, followed by the Polish Food Stall at £452.50. The sale of homemade Polish stews, dumplings, salads, meat balls, cakes etc was an excellent idea providing a tempting option for a healthy homemade ready meal in the evening. Thanks for providing those hot dogs for lunch, English and Polish available. It was good being able to have something hot at a winter Fayre. Thanks too for the children's raffle and guess the name of Barry (as it turned out) the bear, won by yours truly. Third earner was the repository which did very well indeed at £393.44 with lovely seasonal religious items, gifts cards and candles for sale. Remember our well stocked Repository is open all year round. If you would like a Sunday missal/ lectionary of that new lectionary we have just had to start using, then please let Patricia know after mass on Sunday and we can order more. Good to see too how quickly and well all was cleared away at the end of the day, many hands making light work.

For me, the best thing about Sunday's Christmas Fayre was all the parish coming together, firstly for a whole parish mass at 11 o'clock and then parishioners who attend St Augustine's coming down to St Ethelbert's for the Fayre. Truly a parish that prays together will stay together but our social life will also contribute to this too. A parish that *plays* together will also strengthen the bond of communion and peace with one another: we are one parish and the different groups in the parish will only ever be as strong as the contribution they make to the parish overall which supports them.

This Sunday we have one of our beautiful annual events with the Advent Carol Service at 5.00 p.m. St Augustine's. I hope to see you all there, and bring a neighbour or friend, whatever their religion or none, and let the beauty of God through our worship touch our hearts.

Rejoice in the Lord always! Fr Jonathon

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>Saturday</b> <i>St. John of The Cross, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (C)</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Fr. Christopher - Wellbeing	12.00noon ( <i>Latin</i> )	Anne Liddle (SC)
		5.30pm ( <i>Vigil</i> )	Luke Kelly - Thanksgiving		
<b>Sunday</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Maureen Francis	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon ( <i>Polish</i> <i>h</i> )	Piotr Banas RIP	12.00noon ( <i>Sung Latin</i> )	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
				<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Carol Service &amp; Adoration</b>
<b>Monday</b> <i>Feria</i>	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00noon	Anne Liddle
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>Feria</i>	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Fr. Christopher Basden - Wellbeing	<b>NO 12.00noon Mass</b>	
<b>Ember Wednesday of Advent (TLM)</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am ( <i>Latin</i> )	Alex Able - Wellbeing	12.00noon <i>Feria</i>	Fr. Christopher Basden - wellbeing
<b>Thursday</b> <i>Feria</i>	19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	The sick of the Parish	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Friday</b> <i>Feria</i>	20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Zofia & Józef Kwietniewscy RIP	12.00noon ( <i>Ordinariate</i> )	David Cliff RIP & Bernie Davenport RIP
		6.00pm ( <i>Polish</i> )	Veronica Carnell (SC)		

<b>Saturday</b> <i>Feria</i>	21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	9.30am	Lourdes Fernandez	12.00noon (Latin)	Clark & Royce Family
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (C)</b> <b>Vigil Mass</b>		5.30pm (Vigil)	Steven Godden RIP		

**Prayer Candles: St. Ethelbert's:** Fr. Christopher Basden - Wellbeing, Alex Able – Wellbeing, Maureen Francis.

**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, with 15 minutes of prayer to Our Blessed Lady after 9.30am Mass. **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, Kevin Flvnn.

**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 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.

**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 21<sup>st</sup> December from 2.00 – 5.00pm,** there will be Adoration and Confessions.

**Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> 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, 15<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm** - Carol Service & Benediction.

**There are free Catholic Post newspapers at the back of church,** please take one and if you wish to subscribe please contact:  
[Charlotte - subscribe@catholicpost.co.uk](mailto:Charlotte-subscribe@catholicpost.co.uk)

**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.

**Happy Christmas - Wishing you all the Joys and Blessings at Christmas from:** Fr. Jonathon Routh, Alex & Tai Jordan, Shirley Lacey, Rena Gathercole, Kate & Terry Morgan, Ruth & Terry Leonard, Claire & John Turner, Laura & Sid Wyness, Gesina Triggs, Peter Hulcoop, Rita & Keith Andrews, Eileen, Jack & Paul McCaughan, Julie Rydz, Maureen Francis.

**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>

**Southwark Archdiocese Rosary Prayer Project:** Everyone is warmly invited to join this Archdiocese-wide prayer initiative, praying a decade of the Rosary each day for priests and parishes in their deanery. For details see the poster on the noticeboard, pick up an invitation leaflet at the back of church or email [southwarkrenewal@gmail.com](mailto:southwarkrenewal@gmail.com). God bless, **Dr Mark Nash, Director, Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis**

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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.**