



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 12th January 2025

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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,

You will notice that the largely unused pulpit has been carefully removed and stored in order to allow greater visible participation of the people of the sanctuary and facilitate better ordering of the Sacred Liturgy at St Ethelbert's. The pulpit, as older parishioners will know, was only placed there twenty years ago and without it, the Sanctuary at St Ethelbert's looks probably more as it should, both originally before the 1970s/80s 'reordering' and after it. The removal of such a large obstacle, means the priest, deacon(s) and MC no longer need to huddle in the passageway near the sacristy door next to the lectern on the wrong side of the altar. For in any church, particularly one built on traditional catholic principles like St Ethelbert's, the priest and deacon (s) and MC should always sit on the epistle side (right) hand side of the altar. This is where the priest's chair should be. Potentially, the pulpit could be brought back if the right place were found.

The altar party can now process in, venerate the altar and go to the 'Chair' for the Introductory rites. All the Liturgy of the Word will take place on the other 'gospel side', to the left of the Altar, at the Lectern. We are being generously donated a Book of the Gospels which the deacon will process in at the start of Mass and place on the altar. He will then take the Book of the Gospels from the Altar in short procession to the Lectern for the proclamation of the Gospel. After the Gospel, the Priest will also proceed to the Lectern for the sermon. The Deacon will read the Prayers of the Faithful from the Lectern, but the Priest will read his opening and closing parts of these prayers from his chair. The Eucharistic Prayer will of course take place as ever at the Altar which is the centre and heart of the sanctuary, and then for the Concluding Rites we return to 'the Chair' on the Epistle (right hand side) for the post communion prayer, blessing and dismissal.

I hope this restoration receives the blessing of you all. It is in line with the best liturgical expression of the *Novus Ordo* mass of Pope Paul VI and so continues in some accord with the traditional ordering of our Roman Rite through the ages. This way, we will rightly be using all the sanctuary and clearly distinguish the different parts of the mass by their different locations in the sanctuary, and in the best possible sense, allow more graceful movement and flow in the Sacred Liturgy in our beautiful church of St Ethelbert's. I thank our dear parishioners who have worked so hard in the last week to facilitate this renovation.

God bless, Fr Jonathon

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
Saturday <i>Feria of Christmas Time</i>	11 th Jan	9.30am	Maggie Smith – Birthday	12.00 noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
The Baptism of the Lord (C)		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Holy Souls Our Lady of Montligeon		
Sunday	12 th Jan	10.00am	Hannah, Jodey & Faye Russell	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Mrs Alicja Kuczynska	12.00 noon <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Margaret Davies RIP
Monday <i>St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	13 th Jan	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00 noon	Dominic & Norris (SC)
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	14 th Jan	9.30am	Fr. Christopher Basden - Wellbeing	12.00 noon	P.A. George
Wednesday	15 th Jan	9.30am <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass) St. Paul, The 1st Hermit</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00 noon <i>Feria</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	16 th Jan	9.30am	Rosalind, Eric Winter & Family for their wellbeing in the fires in Palisades, California	12.00 noon	Dominic & Norris (SC)
Friday <i>St. Anthony of Egypt, Abbot</i>	17 th Jan	9.30am	Kazimierz RIP	12.00 noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
		6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i>	Gosia Staszczak & Family (SC)		
Saturday <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	18 th Jan	9.30am	Derek Rydz	12.00 noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
The 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Kathleen Gould RIP		

Prayer Candles: *St. Ethelbert's:* Terry & Kate. *St. Augustine's:* Mo Leung 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. **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, 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 Flynn, Peter Northrop.

Please remember in your prayers Ellen Chapman RIP, who died recently. Reception into St. Augustine's Shrine on Sunday, 19th January at 2.00pm and funeral Monday, 20th January at 9.00am at St. Augustine's Shrine. No 12.00noon Mass on the 20th January.

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 Rvdz.

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.

St Augustine's Visitor Centre and Church are open to visitors Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri and Sat – 12.30pm – 3.30pm.

Future Parish event:

Wine & Wisdom, Fun Quiz Afternoon, Saturday, 25th January 2025 at 2.00pm at St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall. Price: £5.00 per person, maximum 8 people per team. Nibbles provided, bring your own drinks. Raffle to be held. List is at the back of church to sign up or phone the Parish Office on 01843 594031.

Next Sunday, 19th January is 'Peace Sunday'. The 2nd Collection will be for Pax Christi, envelopes are available at the back of church today to return next weekend.

'The work of Pax Christi is based on the Gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace & Justice.'

Fr. Simon – Monday Group restarts on Monday, 13th January at 4.30pm in the Parish Room. The subject this Term is 'The Bible & The Church Fathers'.

From CAFOD- The Year of the Jubilee 'Pilgrim of Hope' – This special year of forgiveness and reconciliation, invites us to return to a relationship with 'God, one another, and all of creation'. CAFOD have many resources and opportunities to get involved on our jubilee webpage.

Introducing Jubilee online session – 18th January 2025: 10.30am to 12.00noon. Join us for an introduction to the Jubilee Year with special guests Fr. Jan Nowotnik, Director of Mission for the Catholic Bishop's Conference, Christine Allen, CAFOD Director and Kayode Akintola, CAFOD's Head of Africa Programmes. Hear how we are celebrating Jubilee as a global Church and how we can be tangible signs of hope, building a better world together throughout this Holy Year.

Catholic Youth Ministry Federation - Father Joseph Owusu-Ansah, Parish Priest at Birchington, is organising for the youth (13 to 36 years) of our four Thanet parishes, to attend FLAME (Fan the Flame of Hope) together at Wembley Arena on Saturday, 15th March 2025. This is the largest UK's Catholic youth gathering. To register your interest please advise the priests or Parish Office and application forms will be sent out for completion. There is a deadline for applications of 9th February 2025.

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Website: www.augustine-pugin.org.uk. Newsletters can now be accessed from the Shrine homepage:

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