



# Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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## Newsletter for Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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**Polish Chaplain:** Fr. Ryszard Hanaczewski; **Deacon:** Rev'd Peter Brown; **Vergers:** Anthony Jinks **Visitor Centre Administrator:** Andrew Kelly; **Safeguarding Officer:** Sasha Boahin. **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,

I hope your Lent is continuing holy... lets keep trying to give up everything in ourselves that keeps us from God and surrender to Him. A humble and contrite heart God will not turn away. He reaches out his hand to save us, his love is eternal and whatever terrible things may happen in this life, God will not discard us, the work of his hands, whose son died to save us. Praise be to God!

When it comes to praying in Lent, no catholic should miss out on coming at least once to **The Stations of the Cross.** The Stations are an inspired traditional devotion which draws us closer to the Lord's Passion and the Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin who made the final journey with her son and suffered with him in her Sorrowful Heart. This devotion, like all great catholic public worship, is truly holistic, offering visual imagery for the eye with each Station, with walking, kneeling, genuflecting for the body, and silence, listening to the spoken word for the ear and spoken communal prayer and song for the mouth. In the Stations of the Cross Devotion, the whole body and soul can enter the Passion of the Lord and sorrows of Our Lady. See you 7.00 p.m. at St Ethelbert's or 11.15 at St Augustine's on any Lent Friday. Following the evening Stations at St Ethelbert's, you are also invited to join us in the meeting room for the next episode of 'the Chosen', an excellent dramatization of the gospels which may provoke thought, discussion and prayer. It is interesting to see the particular insights offered in the portrayals of Gospel characters. You might not agree with them, but after years of hearing the holy Gospels, you too may have your own impressions of St Peter, or St Andrew or Judas Iscariot, which you can share with us.

I received a lovely letter today from the Catholic Children's Society thanking us for £209.32 donation. They write 'recently we helped a mother who had to give up work to care for her daughter after a serious operation. They were just about managing when the boiler broke, leaving them in a freezing flat. The mother had no money to pay for the repairs and was concerned for her daughter's health. Thanks to the generosity of parishes like yours, we were able to help pay for the boiler to be fixed and give the family a warm home'

That was our Christmas Crib Appeal but we continue our almsgiving as a sign of Lent. This week is the CAFOD Lent collection and we also continue with the Clergy Support Fund for our retired priests. God bless, Fr Jonathon

**Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament:** *St Ethelbert's:* Monday - Friday: 8.30am. *St Augustine's:* 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. **See weekly schedule overleaf for any changes this week.**  
St. Augustine's Visitor Centre and Shrine are open to visitors Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri and Sat – 12.30pm – 3.30pm.

**St. Augustine's Stations of the Cross,** Fridays, during Lent at 11.15am, followed by Mass at 12.00noon & Lenten Lunches after Mass.  
**St. Ethelbert's - Parish Stations of the Cross,** Friday evening at 7.00pm after the 6.00pm Polish Mass.

**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, 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, Brylle Buenaventura, Mark Griffin. Fr. Christopher Basden, Kevin Flynn, Peter Northrop, Derek Rydz, Shirley Lacey, Jim Gallagher, Jeannette Riley.

**Please remember in your prayer all those who have died recently:** Eileen Chapman, Johanna Barrans, Philip McTemen RIP.

**Prayer Candles:** *St. Ethelbert's:* Pat, Frank.

**St. Augustine's:** Robert Rose, Mo Leung.

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am	The sick of the Parish	12.00 noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass) Ember Saturday of Lent</i>	Pat Cliffe - Wellbeing
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent (C)</b>		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Patricia Smalley		
<b>Sunday</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Patricia Smalley – Birthday	8.30am	People of the Parish
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Zbigniewa Wargockiego – 34 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary RIP	12.00 noon <i>(Sung Latin)</i>	Pat Lee RIP
<b>Monday</b> <i>St. Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland</i>	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am	Julieta Maria Olivia Ferrao RIP	12.00 noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am	The Kwietniewscy Family	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin, Patron of the Universal Church</i>	19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	John McQuaid- wellbeing	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Thursday <i>Lent Feria</i>	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am	Parishioner – For career development and thanksgiving	12.00 noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Friday</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	9.30am	Lynette Smith RIP	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Stations of The Cross</b>
		6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i> <b>7.00pm</b> <b>8.00pm</b>	For health & blessings, Solomiv, Liudmily, Igora, Jurij & Stefencz <b>Parish Stations of The Cross</b> <b>Showing of 'The Chosen'</b>	12.00 noon <i>(Ordinarie)</i> <b>After Mass</b>	Augustine Fernandes – Wellbeing <b>Lenten Lunches</b>
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00 noon	Olivia Griffiths RIP
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (C)</b>		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Edward Smalley - Birthday		

**Future Parish Events:**

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, celebration for the Feast of St. Patrick**, in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass.

**Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> March, Mothering Sunday** - celebration in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass.

**Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> April, Helena's Coffee Morning**, in the Parish Hall 11.30am to 12.30pm.

**STANDING ORDERS** We are currently updating our records and have noticed that a few parishioners donating by standing orders are not signed up for Gift Aid. If you have a standing order and are unable (for any reason) to Gift Aid your donation, please confirm this as soon as possible ([ramsgategac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ramsgategac@rcaos.org.uk)) so we can ensure our records are correct. You can also contact me if you have any questions about Gift Aid or standing orders. THANKS ANNE HEANS Gift Aid Coordinator

**Fire Warden Training, on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 25** at St. Ethelbert's at 4.00pm and at St. Augustine's at 6.00pm.

**Jenny's Plant Sale to be held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May after the 6.00pm Mass and on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May after the 10.00am Mass.** Jenny would welcome any plants donated and any tools that could be sold to help raise funds.

**On Fridays in Lent** there will be a showing of 'The Chosen' after Parish Stations of the Cross at about 8.00am.

**Baptismal Preparation:** 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.

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**Website:** [www.augustine-pugin.org.uk](http://www.augustine-pugin.org.uk). Newsletters can now be accessed from the Shrine homepage:

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