



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 11th May 2025

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Tel: 01843 594031. St. Augustine's Shrine email: augustineshrine@rcaos.org.uk, Tel: 01843 592071. **Shrine Chaplain:** Fr Simon Heans; **Polish Chaplain:** Fr. Ryszard Hanaczewski; **Deacon:** Rev'd Peter Brown; **Verger:** Anthony Jinks **Visitor Centre Administrator:** Andrew Kelly; **Safeguarding Officer:** Sasha Ofori. **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,

At the Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary last week, we have consecrated this month to Our Lady who is Queen of our parish and we ask her prayers as we enter a busy time with First Holy Communions and St Augustine's Week ahead of us.

First Holy Communions will take place at the 12.00 noon sung mass on Sunday 18th May. Both the 5.30 and the 10.00 a.m. masses will be said that weekend and there will be *no* Polish mass that Sunday.

St Augustine's Week is a special time for us. He is one of our patrons and when he landed here in 597 AD, he put us on the map. In our first celebration we remember that he arrived by sea on a mission from Pope St Gregory to bring the gospel to the English and was met on these shores by our *other* holy patron, King Ethelbert. To honour the significance of the sea to our parish and to all who live here, we have a service of **THE BLESSING OF THE SEA** on Saturday 24th at 3.00 p.m. starting at the Obelisk in Ramsgate Harbour and then processing to the Sands. The service will take about half an hour during which we gave thanks to God in word and song for the many blessings the Sea has given us and pray for all those who work at sea and have lost their lives in it.

Then on Monday 26th May at 7.00 p.m., we have a traditional Latin low mass at St. Augustine's and this keeps the old English Calendar date for St Augustine's Day. In the new Roman calendar, **ST AUGUSTINE'S DAY** is kept the following day on **Tuesday 27th May**. This is the high point of our Week when we will be honoured with a visit from Bishop David Waller who will say mass for us at St Augustine's at 7.00 p.m. Bishop David is the head of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham, established by Pope Benedict XVI. For those who don't know, the Ordinariate is a society for priests and laity who entered the Catholic Church from Anglicanism which has generously blessed us with Fr Simon's ministry to this parish. The Mass will be celebrated according to the Ordinariate form of the Roman Rite which draws upon ancient English tradition and was authorized by Pope Benedict. The mass is all in English but in ceremonial is closer to the Traditional Latin Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity for Choir, servers, clergy and all parishioners of Ramsgate and Minster to come together at St Augustine's Church on St Augustine's for a great celebration: unique and special to our parish.

This Sunday, often called 'Good Shepherd Sunday', we pray especially for Vocations in the Church and have the annual second collection for the **Priest's Training Fund**. Please pray for our seminarians, and also for your former parish priest, Fr Marcus Holden who did so much to promote St Augustine here, as he takes up his new post as Rector of the Beda Seminary in Rome. We also pray for God's blessing on **our new chief shepherd Pope Leo XIV**. We will offer mass for him at St Augustine's on Saturday 17th May. God bless you all, Fr Jonathon

Please remember in your prayer all those who have died recently: Jennifer Todd, Bernard Hart, Julian Whitebread, Lukasz Kwiatkowski, Mark Griffin, Anthony Hope, Eileen Chapman, Johanna Barrans, Philip McTemen RIP.

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, Maggie Smith, Uta Nedd, Mary Northrop, Catherine Tocci, Julian Tranguille, Lisa Taylor, Pauline Gladman, Piotr Kapuśniak, Tim Bowell, Julie Foreman, Guy Rowe, Keith Andrews, Brylle Buenaventura,. Fr. Christopher Basden, Kevin Flynn, Peter Northrop, Derek Rvdz. Jim Gallagher. Jeannette Rilev. Gordon Lumpkin. Christine Lavfield.

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: *St Ethelbert's:* Monday - Friday: 8.30am. *St Augustine's:* Tuesday 12.30 – 1.30pm.
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 Confession:** 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 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday – 12.30pm – 3.30pm.

Prayer Candles - St. Ethelbert's: Jennifer Todd RIP, Judy, Charlie, Flo.

St. Augustine's:

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
Saturday <i>St. John de Ávila, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i> 4th Sunday of Easter (C) <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations – 2nd Collection for Priest Training Fund</i>	10 th May	9.30am	Manuel Pinto – Remembrance	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i> <i>St. Antoninus</i>	Mr & Mrs James Metcalf
	11 th May	5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Barbara Keen's Intentions		
		10.00am	Thanksgiving for Blessings Received	8.30am	Stanley Knapek - Wellbeing
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	For the Intentions known to God	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin 1962)</i>	People of the Parish
Monday <i>Feria</i>	12 th May	9.30am	Maureen Francis- Wellbeing	12.00noon	Private Intention (SC)
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	13 th May	9.30am	Ron Francis RIP - Anniversary	12.00noon No Adoration	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Wednesday <i>St. Erkenwald</i>	14 th May	9.30am <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Fr. Jean Marie Charles Roux RIP	12.00noon <i>St. Matthias, Apostle</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Thursday <i>Our Lady of the Sacred Heart</i>	15 th May	9.30am	Patricia Smalley - Wellbeing	12.00noon	Private Intention (SC)
Friday <i>Feria</i>	16 th May	9.30am	Requiem Mass for Jennifer Todd RIP	12.00noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
		6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i>	Lukasz Kwiatkowski RIP		
Saturday <i>Feria</i> 5th Sunday of Easter (C)	17 th May	9.30am	Maureen Francis – Wellbeing	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass) St. Paschal Baylon</i>	VOTIVE MASS PRO PAPA for Pope Leo XIV.
		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Patricia Smalley - Wellbeing		

Future Parish Events:

Saturday, 17th May at 2.00pm in the Parish Hall - Social Afternoon for the Senior Members of the Parish, all are welcome.

Sunday, 18th May - 1st Holy Communion Mass at 12.00noon at St. Ethelbert's.

Sunday, 18th May – St. Augustine's have a stand at the Ellington Park May Fayre from 12.00noon to 6.00pm.

Saturday, 24th May, Blessing of the Sea at 3.00pm. Meet at the Obelisk and then proceed to the sands.

Monday 26th May, Low Mass at 7.00pm for the Feast of St. Augustine at St. Augustine's Shrine.

Tuesday, 27th May, Feast of St. Augustine, Sung Ordinariate Mass with Bishop David at 7.00pm.

Parish Social Committee Meeting in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 14th May at 10.30am.

Archbishop John issued a pastoral letter stating 'Safeguarding is not the work of a few; it is a shared responsibility. Each of us – clergy, volunteers, parents, parishioners – is called to remain vigilant, informed and committed to the well-being of every member of our community'. Due to First Holy Communions, Archbishop John's letter will be read 24th/25th May. Full details/ leaflets at the back of church.

Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, July 12th 2025, at St George's Cathedral. If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please see notice at the back of Church details to enable you to receive an invitation.

Easter Raffle – a prize to be collected from the Parish Office for Frankie Brady.

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 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.

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