



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 4th 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,

May is the Month of Mary.

We do not know where Jesus went in the hours after he rose from the dead and left the tomb and before the women saw him in the garden. It is a silent period which scripture does not record. But some say that before anyone else saw the Lord, He went to our lady, his mum. As she had been the first to know God was coming into the world through the Virginal Conception, surely, she was the first to know he had risen from the dead? As Mary experienced her sons' suffering, so she was the first to experience the great joy of his resurrection from the dead in her own bodily assumption when she was crowned Queen of heaven. Pope John Paul II wrote, "Indeed, it is legitimate to think that the Mother was probably the first person to whom the risen Jesus appeared." This week in our parish and school, we honour her by crowning her *our* Queen here in Ramsgate. Turn to Mary for her prayers. She is mother of the church and she takes care of us. If you are having a hard time, just take one minute and say a *Hail Mary*. Mary will hear you as she heard the first Hail Mary from the Angel Gabriel with the good news that 'the Lord is with you'. Mary is our spiritual mother because she is Mother of the Church: when Jesus gave her to the care of St John, he gave us his mother: she will not abandon us as she did not abandon her son in his agony on the cross. When it's all getting too much for us, when we turn to Mary, Queen of Heaven, Queen of the Family, Queen of our parish and Queen of our school, she will point us to the hope, joy and triumph in her Son's Resurrection, a joy she personally knows and shares with us.

God bless, 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 Rydz, Jim Gallagher, Jeannette Riley, Gordon Lumpkin, Christine Layfield.

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. **NO 9.30am Mass, Adoration or Rosary on Thursday at St. Ethelbert's.** 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: Lee, Tony, Sue, June, Barry.

St. Augustine's:

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

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
Saturday <i>SS Philip & James, Apostles</i>	3 rd May	9.30am	Garli Suwarna RIP	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Princess Sofia of Greece
		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	The Smalley Family	<i>Our Lady</i>	
3rd Sunday of Easter (C) <i>Crowning of Our Blessed Lady</i>	4 th May	10.00am	People of the Parish	8.30am	B & K Zakho RIP
		12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Maria's Intention	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin 1962)</i>	In memory of Margaret Stanley RIP
Monday <i>Feria</i>	5 th May	9.30am	Margaret Price - Wellbeing	12.00noon	John & Veronica Carnell
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	6 th May	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00noon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Wednesday <i>St. Stanislaus</i>	7 th May	9.30am <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Edith & William Power RIP	12.00noon <i>Feria</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Thursday <i>Our Lady of the Sacred Heart</i>	8 th May	12.00noon	Funeral of Mark Griffin RIP	12.00noon	John & Veronica Carnell
Friday <i>Feria</i>	9 th May	9.30am	Christine Layfield – Wellbeing	12.00noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
		6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i>	Czeslaw Dudek RIP		
Saturday <i>St. John de Ávila, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i>	10 th May	9.30am	Manuel Pinto – Remembrance	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Mr & Mrs James Metcalf
		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Barbara Keen's Intentions		

Future Parish Events:

Saturday, 10th May after the 6.00pm Mass & Sunday 11th May after the 10.00am Mass - Jenny's Plant Sale in Parish Hall.

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 10.00am to 6.00pm.

Saturday, 24th May, Blessing of the Sea at 3.00pm.

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.

Our thanks to Helena, for her Coffee Morning which raised a total of £308.00 for Parish funds.

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 for full details to enable you to receive an invitation to the Mass.

Southwark Youth Service – Day Retreat, 10th May 2025 at St. John Fisher, Chatham, for 13 – 17 year olds. See poster at back of church for details.

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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