



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 21st September 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. **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,

It was good to hear the news of King Charles meeting his son Prince Harry last week. It's always sad when members of a family will not speak with one another. Our Royal Family are no different in this way than so many families I meet.

How often hardness of heart sets into us and all communication ceases. People often can't and won't get over the hurt of some perceived injustice done to them. But as Christians, we should not have hard hearts. Our Lord commands us to forgive one another. Not just once, but again and again and again... and again! To always begin again in our relationships. The problem is we just don't want to hear him. And we're not talking here about people who never hear the gospel, but in the church. I've seen many a funeral where one part of a family refuses even to greet another part. But the papers love it when they see the Royal Princes standing together again. It's news. Of course, they seem to love it even more when they seem *not* to be speaking to one another because bad news is much more interesting, but we must rejoice when we see the Royal family at peace, as all families. Can we do the same with one another, and perhaps with people in our families who are estranged from us?

Our Lord commanded us to say every day to God our Father *'forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us'* but very often these words are dandelion seeds that blow about in the air but never land in our hearts, no matter how often we say or hear them. Indeed, we can become so familiar with our resentments that hardness of heart develops the comfort of familiarity and so even our identity becomes attached to our dislike of others.

In our parish, we will listen to the words of the Lord Jesus and forgive others as we ask them to forgive us. This is how we show our belief in the Resurrection that always we begin again. The Son of God was nailed to the cross by humanity – us, but he forgave what we did to him, died and rose again. Can we forgive others as he forgave us? It is the key to beginning again and being an Easter people. That's how we might build the church community and keep our families and indeed our United Kingdom united as we pray for our sovereign Lord, King Charles and the unity of his family. God bless, Fr Jonathon

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, 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, Di 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, Brylle Buenaventura, Fr. Christopher Basden, Kevin Flynn, Derek Rydz, Jim Gallagher, Jeannette Riley, Gordon Lumpkin, Christine Layfield, Tai Jordan.

Please remember in your prayer all those who have died recently: Alex Able, Ottavio & Jean Verracchia, Mary Lucas, Kathleen McDonald, Maureen Attwell, Simon Galt, Maria Rodrigues, Patrick O'Sullivan, Carys Pearshouse, Betty Gibbins, Peter Northrop, Ethel Dellaway, Sylvia Quinn, Donald Marjoram, Bernard Hart, Jennifer Todd, Julian Whitebread, Lukasz Kwiatkowski, Mark Griffin, Anthony Hope, Richard Williamson, Eileen Chapman, Johanna Barrans, Philip McTemen,

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.

Please see Mass Schedule overleaf for any changes this week.

Confessions: *St Ethelbert's:* Saturday before 5.30pm. Mass. *St Augustine's:* Saturday 11.00am after Mass and by arrangement.

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:* Pat, Frank, Rita, Jenny. ***St. Augustine's:*** -

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's	St Augustine's
Saturday <i>St. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest & Paul Chõng Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs</i>	20 th Sept 202	NO 9.30am Mass today 5.30pm (Vigil)	(Mass at Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am) Fr. Jonathon – TG - Birthday
25th Sunday Ordinary Time (C) 2nd Collection Catholic Agency for Support of Evangelisation	21 st Sept	10.00am 12.00noon (English)	Alex Jordan – Wellbeing Jadwiga & Steve - PI
			8.30am 12.00noon (Sung Latin 1962) 15 th Sunday after Pentecost
Monday <i>Feria</i>	22 nd Sept	NO 9.30am Mass today	12.00noon Simon Galt RIP
Tuesday <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest</i>	23 rd Sept	9.30am	Ron Francis RIP NO 12.00noon Mass today
Wednesday <i>Ember Wednesday of September Commem of Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	24 th Sept	9.30am (Latin 1962 Low Mass)	Marie-Claire Calvet - PI 12.00noon <i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	25 th Sept	9.30am	For St. Ethelbert's School NO 12.00noon Mass today
Friday <i>St. Cosmos & St Damian, Martyrs</i>	26 th Sept	9.30am NO 6.00pm POLISH MASS TODAY	Katalin Clancey RIP 12.00noon (Ordinariate) Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
Saturday <i>St. Vincent de Paul, Priest</i>	27 th Sept	5.30pm (Vigil)	12.00noon (Latin 1962 Low Mass) <i>Ember Saturday, Commem of SS. Cosmos & Damian</i> Marie-Claire Calvet PI

Parish Events: Nathan and Francesca would like to thank all who support the MIND coffee morning £184.30 was raised.
Saturday, 27th September, Jenny McKeverne is organising an 'Italian Night' at St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall, which will consist of a 3-course meal, raffle, people to bring their own drinks. Tickets at £20.00 to be paid for and collected this weekend.
Sunday, 28th September Coffee Morning after the 10.00am Mass money raised to be sent to Macmillan charity.
Sunday 5th October, Rosary Sunday at 4.00pm, Rosary with short reflection, Adoration & Benediction.
Saturday 18th October – Social Afternoon for senior parishioners, in Parish Hall, 2.00 – 4.00pm
Sunday, 9th November – Remembrance Sunday. 12.00noon St. Augustine's Solemn Requiem Mass.
16th November Feast of St. Gertrude, celebration after the 10.00am Mass at St. Ethelbert's at the coffee morning.
Saturday, 22nd November Parish Wine and Wisdom, St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Please put you name of the list at the back of church to book.
Sunday, 23rd November – Feast of Christ The King – **Parish Bereavement Service** at St. Ethelbert's at 4.00pm.
Saturday, 29th November at 5.30pm Mass, Confirmation Ceremony with Bishop Paul, a sung Mass followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.
Sunday, 7th December Parish Christmas Fayre at St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall, starting at 12.00noon. Joint English/Polish Mass at 11.00am and at St. Augustine's. Latin Mass at 10.30am this will enable all to attend the Favre.

Envelopes for Masses for the November List of Holy Souls are available at the back of church. Gift Aiders please add their GA number.

Day of Celebration and Thanksgiving for Jubilee Blessings on Saturday 4th October 2025. Archbishop John Wilson will be presiding and preaching at Mass at 11.15am. Please see leaflet at the back of church for full details.

An invitation from the Sisters of Minster Abbey to Parkminster for their Autumn Picnic on Saturday, 27th September 1.00 – 3.00pm. See the poster at the back of church for full 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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St Augustine's: Facebook, Twitter & Instagram: @AugustinePugin or on YouTube: staugustinesramsgate
Website: www.augustine-pugin.org.uk. Newsletter can now be accessed from the Shrine homepage:
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