



ST FRANCIS' NEWS



August 2017

17TH -21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

CHURCH & PARISH HALL = DEVELOPMENT FUND

FUND Raised to date: £114,393.44
Total Cost of ROOF: £136,000.00
Debt to be paid: £21,606.56

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL Raised to date: £7202.09
Approximate Cost: £9,000.00



BAPTISM PREPARATION

First Thursday of each month 7.00 - 8.30pm
Next Date: THURSDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER 2017
TO ATTEND, PLEASE APPLY THROUGH THE PARISH EMAIL
OR SUBMIT A BAPTISMAL APPLICATION FORM

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Do you know of anyone who would like to know more about the Catholic Church?

The RCIA course will start again on Tuesday, 5th September. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please ask them to contact the Parish Office or Sheila Connolly on 01622 729211.

COMINGS & GOINGS

For the Summer we have welcomed Fr Boniface Arapa from Uganda who will be staying with us until September and Fr Adam Dynak, a Polish priest working in Belarus, who will be us until mid August. Canon Luke / Fr Peter will be away during the first two weeks of August and at other times will be in and out preparing for their moves. Fr Liam & Fr Samuel will take up their posts during the last week of August.

THANK YOU



Canon Luke & Fr Peter
Would like to say THANK YOU
for all your kind messages,
cards and gifts
for the Mass of Thanksgiving
and celebration last weekend
Please pray for us as we will for you.



TEA MORNINGS

Tea mornings will be resuming on 10th September. Cecilia & Julia would like to thank you for your support & help with the tea morning. Our heartfelt thanks goes to our bakers. Enjoy the summer holidays!

SERVICES IN AUGUST

- ▶ There will be **no Exposition, Lectio & Benediction on Wednesdays** during August.
- ▶ There will be **no Evening Prayer or Benediction on Sundays** in August.
- ▶ Please note that Monday, 28th August will be a **Bank Holiday**. On that day, the Parish Office will be closed.

PLEASE NOTE DURING AUGUST THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN IN THE MORNINGS ONLY (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.00am-12noon. The office will be closed on the **Bank Holiday: 28/08**)

Recent Lottery Winners: Wk 4—No.12 Mrs PL Arda—£50

PARISH GROUPS

FLEDGLINGS CHILDREN GROUP recommences after the summer holidays.

FLAME YOUTH GROUP The junior youth group recommences after the summer holidays.

PHOENIX YOUTH CLUB The 15+ group recommences after the summer holidays.

KU POGŁĘBIONEJ WIERZE / EVANGELISATION GROUP recommences after the Summer holiday.

LIFE ASCENDING No meeting in August. We will be meeting on Wednesday 6th Sept. after 10.30 mass. FFI please contact Keith Hunter on 01622 746792.

Donate 8

1) Volunteers are required to clean, prepare and paint the railings around the church car park. Saturday is preferred but weekdays will be considered. If you have a spare hour or two, let us know please.

2) Many thanks to the volunteers who came forward to help with flowers over the last few months.

3) Our church still needs cleaners to volunteer! Fridays at 4:30pm is not the only time cleaning happens! Please get in touch with us if you can help. Many thanks to all those who have given their time over the past year.

FFI contact: donate8@stfrancisparish.org.uk

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the sick and housebound of our parish: Rachel Allen, Liam Archer, Cody Barker, Donald Batty, Sarah Boylan, Eric Braconnier, Pauline Brown, Kathleen Buckman, Pat Cassidy, Judy Collins, Luke Collins, Marcin Czubik, Jean Farrell, Joanna Frazer, Louise Gill, Victor Giovanelli, Judy Henstone, Mary Holliday, Kathleen Homewood, Aneta Jankowska, Teresa Jankowska, Brian Johnson, Bridget Kearney, Patrick McKee, Perry Kemp, Xavier Lazell, Patricia Maher, Antonina Makowicz, Dorothy Marne, Margarie Morgan, Michael Munikwa, Clare Myler, Violet Nadarajah, Marcus Nicklin, Mark Pearson, Deidre Pennell, John Penney, Claudia Quantrill, Margaret Ruaux, Peter Ruddy, Nick Ryan, Coleen Sargeant, Rebecca Sharp, Chika Uzowulu, Mary Wallace, Claire Watts, Rosemary West and all in our local hospice, hospitals and nursing homes.

For those whose anniversaries occur in August: Mary O'Keily, Jenny McGowan, Carrie Down, Noreen Greenhalgh, Murice Barabasz, Julian Clark Snr, John Ludford, Lena Bergonzi, Micela Roberto, Francis Green, Catherine Bough, Giovanni Carlotti, Maria Richards, Trevor Adams, Edward McTighe, Margaret Beglan, Francis Stone, Denis Scholefield, Theodora Vousden, Miriam Tupper, Edith Richardson, Donald Bingham, Mary Enfield, Maureen Mills, Joan Walsh, Patrick Burke, Jose Espinoza, Kathleen Blogg, Mary Graham, **John O'Leary, Carl Arrow, Miriam Carney, Pamela Whibley, Leonard Church, William Gilstin, Isabella Morgan, Leonard Watson, Jose Perez, Michael McGrath, Joseph Kelly, Dora Howell, Kay Cotton, Mary Todd, Simone Gundry, Theresa Benson, Frederick Brown, Eric Rogerson, Stuart Thompson, Harry Scott, Franz Suske, Mary Silk, Suzanne East, Edna Burns, Ernest Beney, Thomas Callaghan Percy Gooch, Henry Davis, Kathleen Smart, Maureen Rugman, Lindsay Shepherd, Percy Oldfield, Mary Ferguson, Mary Child, Wally Straherne, Joanna Swinhoe, Lydia O'Connor, William Graham, Anthony Gatt, Kathleen Lenzie, Jean Carley, Eddie Sweeney, Lena Sweeney, Cornelius Hickey, Ray Collins Winifred Ashby, Ernest Burke, Mary Monckton, Bob Woodward, Patricia Tucker, Julia Stone, Anne Rodgers, Frank Willis, Harold Aiston, Winifred Peace, Derek Wickenden, Kathleen Malet, Patricia Noble, George Brewster, David Wheeler, Garry Fisher, Robert Cassidy, Madeliene Watson, Patricia Higgins, Marion Gallagher, Percy Duffett, Dorcas di Marco, James Lyons, Herman McKone, Lucy McFarland, Jean Neale, John Brooks, James Lyons, Alfred Gilliard, James Mackell, Anna Harber, Filomena Stevens, Denis Hollands, Jack Lake, Edward Heeley, Ada Sampson, William Hepple, Monika Pinfold, Walter Jones, Maureen Chambers, Yolande Roberts, Margaret Stroud, Michael Lally, Mary Bryer, Patricia Nicholas, Kathleen Holmes, Gregory O'Shea, Michael Kilgannon, Bruce Farley, Pauline Sexton, Rose Larkin, Sheila Humphrey, Joseph Byrne, Ellen McDonnell, Patricia Gorse, Angela Angiolini, Timothy Buckley, Joseph Hoy and Denis Freeman.**

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

AUGUST 2017 - UNIVERSAL
That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

SUNDAY 23RD JULY COLLECTIONS

1st Collection: **£1,298.69** (not including standing orders)
2nd Collection: **£ 419.29** Diocesan Development Fund

SUNDAYS IN AUGUST - 2ND COLLECTION

This Sunday: **Area Bishops' Fund** (to defray cost of levy)
6th August: Church & Hall Development Fund
13th August: Dew Association
20th August: Church & Hall Development Fund
27th August: Sick & Retired Priests Fund (to defray cost of levy)
3rd September: Church & Hall Development Fund

SUNDAY 30TH JULY

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

ST FRANCIS
6.00pm(Sat) Joe Pinto RIP
9.00am James and Mary Hurson RIP
10.45am Ernie, Renee & Ken Hughes RIP
2.00pm *Baptism of Connie Cunningham*
NO EVENING PRAYER & BÉNEDICTION
6.00pm Bernard Burns RIP
THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL
9.00am People of the Parish
WATERINGBURY
10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

MONDAY 31ST JULY

ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

10.30am Graham Budd RIP

TUESDAY 1ST AUGUST

ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

10.30am 1. Hilda Claire Mason RIP
2. Funeral Mass of Elizabeth Sinnou Peter followed by committal in Vinters Park

WEDNESDAY 2ND AUGUST

10.30am Deceased members of Murphy & Saunders families

THURSDAY 3RD AUGUST

10.30am Winifred, Bruce and Anne Farley RIP
4.30pm Mass HMP Maidstone: Ormonde RIP & his wife and family

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

FRIDAY 4TH AUGUST

ST JOHN VIANNEY

10.30am Michael Flahety
8.00pm For vocations to the Priesthood followed by Sacred Heart Devotions
9.00pm Night Prayer & Benediction

SATURDAY 5TH AUGUST THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST MARY

10.00am Keith & Ellen Ryan MAJOR

SUNDAY 7TH AUGUST

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

ST FRANCIS
6.00pm(Sat) Mr & Mrs Mbala
9.00am Encarnacion Bernardo RIP
10.45am In reparation for abortions in Brewer Street
12.30pm Mass in Latin (Extraordinary Form)
4.00pm Mass in Polish: still available
6.00pm People of the Parish
THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL
9.00am Joyce Attwood RIP
WATERINGBURY
10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

MONDAY 7TH AUGUST

10.30am Lily Rudenko RIP

TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST

ST DOMINIC

10.30am Bernard Burns RIP

WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

10.30am Jer & Peggy, Pauline & Tony – Wellbeing

THURSDAY 10TH AUGUST

ST LAWRENCE

MASS INTENTIONS

10.30am Keith Ryan RIP
4.30pm Mass HMP Maidstone: Fiona RIP
& her parents Haidi & Michael

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST

ST CLARE OF ASSISI

10.30am Christina Brennan RIP
8.00pm Moreen Foshier RIP

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

ST JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

10.00am Tolu Akintonde RIP
3.00pm Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

ST FRANCIS

6.00pm(Sat) Peter O'Brien RIP

9.00am People of the Parish

10.45am Antonina's welfare

In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

6.00pm Phyliss Waters & Laurence Waters RIP
THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL

9.00am Kate & Barbara Whiting RIP

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

MONDAY 14TH AUGUST

ST MAXIMILIAN MARIA KOLBE

10.30am Sheila Power RIP

*THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION*

6.00pm Vigil Mass: David's Wellbeing

TUESDAY 15TH AUGUST

10.30am In reparation for abortions in Brewer Street

8.00pm Oliver Egan RIP

WEDNESDAY 16TH AUGUST

10.30am 1. Edward & Barbara Whiting RIP

2. Freda Fennelly RIP

3.00pm Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite with Baptism

THURSDAY 17TH AUGUST

10.30am Oliver Egan RIP

4.30pm Mass HMP Maidstone: Terry Free RIP

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

FRIDAY 18TH AUGUST

10.30am Roberto Sonquit RIP

8.00pm For the teenagers of our parish

SATURDAY 19TH AUGUST

ST JOHN EUDES

10.00am Sarah Nugent RIP

SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

ST FRANCIS

6.00pm(Sat) Yvonne Hume & Donald Hume RIP

9.00am Waleria Siodlarz RIP

10.45am Kath Topping RIP

6.00pm Bernard Burns RIP

THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL

9.00am People of the Parish

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

MONDAY 21ST AUGUST

ST PIUS X

10.30am Barry Seath RIP

TUESDAY 22ND AUGUST

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10.30am Joyce Moodley RIP

WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST

ST ROSE OF LIMA

10.30am 1. For all who sent messages, cards & flowers
for Bernard Burns

2. Elizabeth Sinnou Peter RIP

THURSDAY 24TH AUGUST

ST BARTHOLOMEW

10.30am Mrs Jones' deceased family

4.30pm Mass HMP Maidstone: Terry Free RIP

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

FRIDAY 25TH AUGUST

ST LOUIS & ST JOSEPH OF CALASANZ

10.30am In reparation for abortions in Brewer Street

8.00pm Albert & Charles' birthday

SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST

BL DOMINIC OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

10.00am Lynden's Birthday

3.00pm Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

with First Holy Communion of Jerome Kuriam

SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

ST FRANCIS

6.00pm(Sat) For Priests and Deacons of the Parish

9.00am People of the Parish

9.15am Mass HMP Maidstone: Holy Souls

10.45am Sheila Clark RIP

6.00pm Moreen Foshier RIP

THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL

9.00am Elizabeth Sinnou Peter RIP

WATERINGBURY

10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

MONDAY 28TH AUGUST

ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

10.30am Nick Lawton RIP

TUESDAY 29TH AUGUST

THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

10.30am Nicola Whiting – Wellbeing

1.00pm Wedding of Sarah Weekes & Paul William Holliday



MASS INTENTIONS

WEDNESDAY 30TH AUGUST *SS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE & MARGARET WARD*

- 10.30am 1. Joseph & Margaret Brooks RIP
- 2. Pauline Sexton RIP

THURSDAY 31ST AUGUST *ST AIDAN & SAINTS OF LINDISFARNE*

- 10.30am Jenny & Eric Bailey 60th Anniversary
- 4.30pm Mass HMP Maidstone:
In reparation for abortions in Brewer Street

WATERINGBURY

- 10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls

FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER *WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION*

- 10.30am PC Steve Zimmerman RIP
- 8.00pm Anne Glanfield
*followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Sacred Heart Devotions until 10.00pm*

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

- 10.00am Joseph & Margaret Brooks RIP

SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

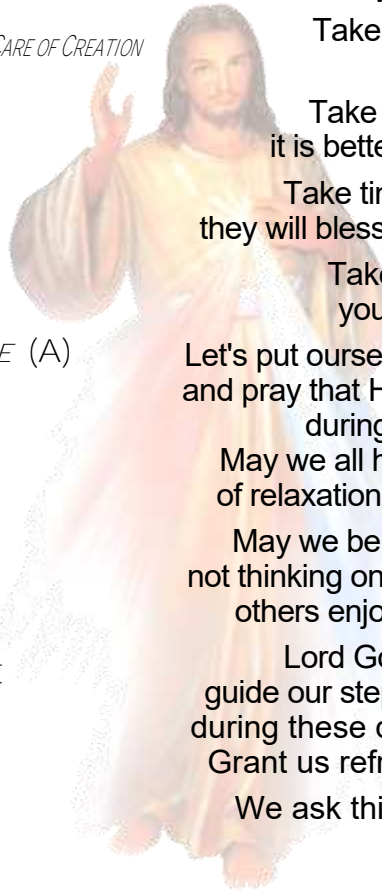
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

ST FRANCIS

- 6.00pm(Sat) Betty MacInnes RIP
 - 9.00am People of the Parish
 - 10.45am Mary Lucas RIP
 - 12.30pm Mass in Latin (Extraordinary Form)
 - 4.00pm Mass in Polish: TBA
 - 6.00pm Deceased Parishioners of St Francis
- THE HEART OF KENT HOSPICE, PRESTON HALL
- 9.00am In reparation for abortions in Brewer Street

WATERINGBURY

- 10.30am Ordinariate Mass: Holy Souls



BLESSING FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAY

Take time to claim your strength; they are gifts of God.

Take time to have fun; it's God's way of teaching you your strengths.

Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you, and you will bless them.

Take time to have hope, you are a child of God.

Let's put ourselves into the hands of the Lord, and pray that He will bless us and our families during the summer months.

May we all help make our homes places of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety.

May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of summer.

Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts, during these days of the summer holidays. Grant us refreshment of mind and body.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

ST FRANCIS, MAIDSTONE

MONDAY - FRIDAY 10.00AM & FRIDAY 7.30PM (FOR 15MIN)

SATURDAY 10.30 - 11.15AM; 5.30 - 5.50PM

SUNDAY 5.30 - 5.50PM

ST LUKE'S, PRESTON HALL

BY REQUEST UNTIL THE CHAPEL IS BACK IN USE

MORNING PRAYER

SATURDAY AT 9.30AM

EVENING PRAYER & BENEDICTION

USUALLY THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 5.15PM

EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAY EVENING 7.30PM - 8.30PM

FRIDAY 11.00-12.00PM & FIRST FRIDAYS 8.30PM UNTIL 10.00PM

HOLY ROSARY

PRAYED AFTER THE 10.30AM WEEKDAY MASSES



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Canon Luke Smith

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Fr Piotr Kucharski

ORDINARIATE PRIEST
Fr Paul Gibbons

PARISH OFFICE HOURS *in Summer months until September*
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday only 9.00am-12noon

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