



# Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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## Newsletter for Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025

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Tel: 01843 594031. St. Augustine's Shrine email: [augustineshrine@rcaos.org.uk](mailto: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,

Tuesday is **The Feast of the Apostles, St Simon and St Jude**. This Simon is *not* Simon Peter, the Prince of the Apostles and first Pope, but rather "Simon the Cananean" recorded in Matthew and Mark and "Simon the Zealot" as in Luke and Acts. Both names mean the same thing: "Cananean" does not refer to the Land of Canaan but is a translation of an Aramaic word meaning "zealous."

St Jude, is referred to as "Judas son of James" in Luke and Acts and "Thaddeus" in Matthew and Mark. The only other reference that is certain about Jude comes from John's Gospel during the Last Supper in which Jude is referred to as "Judas, *not* the Iscariot..." The Epistle of Jude in the New Testament is also thought by many to have been written by this Apostle. Pope Benedict XVI at a General Audience in 2006 gave this support when he pointed to the tradition that the Epistle of Jude was indeed, written by the Apostle who we celebrate this week.

The Epistle is a short but passionate letter in which St Jude warns all Christians against immorality and heresy trying to enter the early Church. Some things never change! And so perhaps for this reason he has been named the Patron Saint of Hopeless Causes. Another tradition states that because Jude shared a name with Judas Iscariot, the betrayer, Saint Jude's intercession was rarely sought. However, after seeking the intercession of every other Apostle, people in the early Church would turn to Saint Jude as the last resort. There are ancient traditions holding that Saint Jude has provided miracles throughout the centuries. In our diocese, we are blessed with the Shrine of St Jude in Faversham. Like our Shrine of St Augustine in our very own parish, the Shrine of St Jude is a designated shrine for the Jubilee Year, to which a pilgrimage can gain indulgences. Why not visit the shrine in Faversham while the Jubilee year still runs? It's a short ride from Ramsgate. There are plenty of good places to eat in Faversham and also interesting shops and lovely walks. Intercession with St Jude at Faversham has brought solace and help to many and he brought me hope some years ago. Deo Gratias!

Here's a prayer for St Jude's intercession you might find helpful: *Most holy apostle, St Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honours and invokes you universally as the patron of hope. Please intercede on my behalf. Make use of that particular privilege given to you to bring hope, comfort and help where they are needed most. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven as I work with my challenges, particularly (here make your request). I praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, blessed St Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour you as my special and powerful patron and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.* St. Simon and St. Jude, pray for us! Mass of Ss Simon and Jude will be celebrated at mid-day on Tuesday at St Augustine's Shrine. God bless, Fr Jonathon. (with thanks to 'My Catholic Life' website)

**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 Howell, 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:** Ned Keenan, John Abra MBE (Funeral Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am.) 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 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 12.00noon followed by **1<sup>st</sup> Friday Rosary** at 12.30pm.  
**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 7 days a week from 10.00am to 4.00pm

**Prayer Candles - St. Ethelbert's:** Maggie Smith – Wellbeing.

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
<b>Saturday</b> The Blessed Virgin Mary	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct		(Mass at Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am)	12.00noon (Latin 1962 Low Mass)	Laura Le Van - Wellbeing
<b>30<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time (C)</b>		5.30pm (Vigil)	Norman Cotton RIP		
	26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00am  12.00noon (Polish)	Gesina Triggs -TG -Birthday  Angel – PI (SC)	8.30am  12.00noon (Sung Latin 1962) Christ The King	Ivy Isabella Court RIP  People of Parish
<b>Monday</b> <i>Feria</i>	27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am	Bruce Joseph Forsyth-Johnson RIP	12.00noon	Laura Le Van - Wellbeing
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>SS. Simon &amp; Jude, Apostles, feast.</i>	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct			12.00noon	Prince Michael of Kent - Wellbeing
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Feria</i>	29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am (Latin 1962 Low Mass)	Jennifer Fernandes RIP	12.00noon	Joseph Bonnefin RIP
<b>Thursday</b> <i>Feria</i>	30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon		
<b>Friday</b> <i>Feria</i>	31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	9.30am	Jack McCaughan – PI	12.00noon (Ordinariate)	Laura Le Van - Wellbeing
		6.00pm (Polish)	Joseph & Angel's Family – PI (SC)		
<b>Saturday</b> <i>All Saints is celebrated as the Sunday Mass at all the usual times this year.</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> Nov		(Mass at Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am <i>feria/ Our Lady</i> )	12.00noon (Latin 1962) <i>All Saints- low mass</i> )	TG – for son Taras & for God's mercy and forgiveness.
			5.30pm (Vigil)		
<b>ALL SAINTS, SOLEMNITY</b> <b>holy day of obligation.</b>					

**Parish Events: Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November** – St. Ethelbert's - Latin Requiem Mass at 9.30am. followed by Blessing of the Graves at St. Ethelbert's, Garden of Remembrance and afterwards Blessing of the Graves at Ramsgate Cemetery.

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – From 10.30am Coffee Morning and Table sale in Parish Hall, followed by Social Afternoon with stalls available before 5.30pm Mass to visit. Stalls available on Sunday at Coffee morning after 10.00am Mass and Polish Coffee Morning. Help required.

**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday:** Act of Remembrance before 10.00 a.m. mass at St Ethelbert's. Solemn Requiem Mass 12.00noon at St. Augustine's followed by Blessing of the Graves.

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> November Feast of St. Gertrude,** celebration after the 10.00am Mass at St. Ethelbert's at the coffee morning.

**Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November Parish Wine and Wisdom,** St. Ethelbert's Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Please put your name on the list at the back of church to book.

**Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Feast of Christ The King – Parish Bereavement Service** at St. Ethelbert's at 4.00pm.

**Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> November at 5.30pm Mass, Confirmation Ceremony** with Bishop Paul, a sung Mass followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

**Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Fayre.

**Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December** – At St. Ethelbert's - All day Adoration and Confession.

**Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December** - Senior Parishioners Social Afternoon, Christmas Party 1.00 – 4.00pm.

**Lovers of gardening,** we need helpers to keep our small front garden of St. Ethelbert's Church nice and tidy. Please contact the Parish Office if you have a few hours a week and would like to help. With thanks Liz.

**At the Christmas Fayre** we will be having a craft stall if anyone would like to donate any craft items they have prepared this would be appreciated. There will be the following stalls: refreshments, tea/coffee, raffle, cakes, repository, knitting, jigsaws, fancy goods, tombola, bottle stall, decorations, guess the cost of a basket of produce, toiletries, jewellery. There will be **NO** bric-a-brac, toys, books or CD stalls, (**please do not send these items in**). We will be available in the Parish Hall on Fridays 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December to collect items for the Fayre or they can be brought to the Parish Office when attending Mass. Raffle tickets will be distributed at the beginning of November. Please help support this important fund-raising event.

**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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