



Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

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Newsletter for Sunday, 12th October 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; **Vergers:** 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,

In the parable of the Sheep and the Goats, Jesus our Lord makes it clear that a life worthy of the reward of Heaven must involve actively helping people in need: *'I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me'*.

Prison's Week was founded by Bishop Victor Guazzelli in 1975. Since then, the Prisons Week group has prepared resources to help the Church pray for the needs of all those affected by imprisonment.

On **PRISONERS SUNDAY**, we will remember prisoners and their families at mass and hear about what life is like for prisoners and their families in our communities and about the work of Pact – THE PRISON ADVICE AND CARE TRUST, which is the national catholic prison charity.

As the leading Catholic charity in prisons, Pact has been helping people in need for more than 125 years. It supports prisoners, their families and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around. The work of Pact draws on the values of our Faith that everyone can make a fresh start, whatever they may have done. Always with God we can begin again if we repent and believe the Gospel. This is the hope and good news of our faith in Jesus. Not even the worst we could do to Jesus put out the light of hope when before he died, he forgave us for what we had done to him, and from the darkness of his enclosed tomb, he rose again and the stone was rolled away. Alleluia!

Last year the dedicated staff and volunteers of Pact supported 565,000 prison visits and helped nearly 600 people with emergency welfare grants. The work of Pact is a lifeline for many thousands of people struggling to stay afloat or make a fresh start. As a parish we will pray for the good work of Pact and have a second collection to support it in the year ahead.

Another place our society needs the hope of our Risen Lord is our parliament. We still need to **stop assisted suicide** - further action is needed!

Sending a physical letter carries particular weight with Members of the House of Lords. *Right To Life UK* has created a simple tool that generates personalised letters to Peers, each focused on a specific area of concern. You can then print them, or copy them out by hand, sign, and post them.

Let us take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeersletter to send a letter to peers asking them to oppose assisted suicide. May the peace of Jesus Christ, Our Risen Lord, be with you all, Fr Jonathon.

Please remember in your prayer all those who have died recently: John Abra, 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.

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: Deacon Robin, Patricia, Laura, Alex.

Day	Date	St Ethelbert's		St Augustine's	
Saturday <i>St. John XXIII, Pope</i>	11 th Oct		(Mass at Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am)	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Anthony Spong RIP
28th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C) <i>PRISONERS SUNDAY:</i> <i>Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families – Prisons Week</i>	12 th Oct	5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Jackie Coppock – TG - Birthday		
<i>2nd Collection for Pact (National Catholic charity for people in prison and their families)</i>		10.00am	Annunciation & Adolf Fernandes	8.30am	People of Parish
Monday <i>St. Edward the Confessor, King</i>	13 th Oct	12.00noon <i>(Polish)</i>	Private Intention (SC)	12.00noon <i>(Sung Latin 1962) 18th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Fr. Jonathon PI
Tuesday <i>St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr</i>	14 th Oct	9.30am	David Carrasco & Family	12.00noon	John Dean - Wellbeing
Wednesday <i>St. Teresa of Jesus (of Ávila)</i>	15 th Oct	No 9.30 am Mass		12.00noon	Valentino Berardinelli RIP
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	16 th Oct	9.30am <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	12.00noon	Stuart Tweedale - Wellbeing
Friday <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr</i>	17 th Oct	9.30am	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	No 12.00noon Mass	
		6.00pm <i>(Polish)</i>	Joel (SC) PI	12..00noon <i>(Ordinariate)</i>	Hubert PI
Saturday <i>St. Luke, Evangelist</i>	18 th Oct		(Mass at Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am)	12.00noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
29th Sunday Ordinary Time (C) World Mission Day - 2nd Collection for Missio		5.30pm <i>(Vigil)</i>	Fr. Joe & Birchington Parish		

Parish Events:

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.

Sunday, 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 your name on 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 Fayre.

Saturday, 20th December – Senior Parishioners Social Afternoon - Christmas Party 1.30 – 4.00pm

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

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 21st & 28th November and Friday 5th 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.

For 1st Holy Communion Preparation: Contact – Catechist Mrs Julie Rydz.

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.

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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