



## Parish of Ramsgate & Minster

### Weekly Newsletter - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Parish Priest & Rector:** Fr Jonathon Routh email: [jonathonrouth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:jonathonrouth@rcaos.org.uk)

Parish Office email: [ramsgate@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ramsgate@rcaos.org.uk) 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; **Deacon:** Rev Peter Brown; **Pastoral Assistant:** Maureen Francis;

**Verger:** Anthony Jinks; **Parish Secretary:** Melissa Goes;

**Safeguarding Officer:** Sasha Ofori - [ramsgatesg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:ramsgatesg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk)

**Minster Abbey,** Mo. Nikola & Sisters. 01843 821254 (*see the next page for Mass & service details*)

**Divine Retreat Centre:** Fr Joseph Edattu & Fr Paul Pallichamkudiyil. 01843 586904. (*Weekday Mass 5.30pm*)

**St. Ethelbert's School:** Headteacher, Mr. Simon Marshall - (01843 585555).

Dear parishioners,

Last Sunday was **World Communications Day** which due to the First Holy Communion Thanksgiving we have moved to this Sunday. The World Communications Day collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CNN), the media office of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales. The CNN seeks to be of service both to the Church and world in offering professional channels of communication and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider church in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. Its office is the focus for media enquiries on national matters and seeks to develop the public profile of the Church and its teaching. The CNN provides up-to-date news releases, features and podcasts, information from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales and trains spokesmen and women.

Also, this weekend, don't leave without picking up the new **Legacy Leaflet** about remembering your Church with a gift in your Will.

As Catholics, we believe in the sanctity of life; a precious gift from God. We are called to live joyfully and faithfully, trusting that after a natural death, we will return to our Creator and share in eternal life with Him. When the time comes to move on to the next life, you have the opportunity to let your lifetime of faith continue through a gift in your Will. Each of us hopes to leave a legacy - to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our families, friends, and the communities we cherish. By **including a gift in your Will to the Church**, no matter the size, you can help sustain and support your Catholic community for future generations. Pick up a leaflet or go online to <https://rcaos.org.uk/donate/leave-a-legacy/>

Last but most importantly, this Sunday is one of the great feasts of the Church's year:

**Pentecost.** Pope St Leo the Great wrote *'ever since that Pentecost, the call of the gospel has rung out; since the day of Pentecost a rain of charisms, a river of blessings, has watered every desert and dry land, for the Spirit of God has swept over the waters to renew the face of the earth, and a blaze of new light has shone out to dispel our former darkness'*. We have **An Ecumenical Celebration** on Sunday evening at 6.00 p.m. at the Royal Harbour Academy with Christians from ecclesial communities in Ramsgate. (Choir practice there from 4.30 p.m.) We remember the prayer of Jesus to the Father *'May they be one even as we are one'* as we pray together that however separated we may be, the Holy Spirit will lead all baptized Christians into unity with The Church.

May God the Holy Spirit come to us and bless this parish with his gifts!

Fr Jonathon

PENTECOST SERVICE OF UNITY AT THE ROYAL HARBOUR ACADEMY ON PENTECOST SUNDAY EVENING AT 6.00 P.M. (CHOIR PRACTICE AT 4.30 P.M.)

To celebrate St. Augustine of Canterbury's feast day on the 27th May, there will be a Mass in the Ordinariate Use at 7pm at St. Augustine's followed by light refreshments in the Visitors Centre.

The annual Blessing of the Sea will be on Saturday 30th May, 3.00 p.m. down at Ramsgate Harbour. Meet at the obelisk.

There will be a **second collection** this weekend for **World Communications Sunday** which helps to promote the catholic church all over the world and help share its teachings.

**Catholic Legacy Week**, 24-30 May, is a time when Parishes and Catholic charities such as CAFOD celebrate the work made possible in the life of the Church through gifts in Wills. Find out more by scanning this QR code, go to [www.cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek](http://www.cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek) or speak to the parish secretary for an information pack.



We are looking for **Fresh and/or dried Flower Petals** to be brought to St. Ethelbert's church on Friday 5th or Saturday 6th June please to help celebrate Corpus Christi. Please do not bring them any earlier as they won't keep. Please speak to the parish secretary for more information.

**Gift Aid Envelopes.** Please collect your new gift aid envelopes from the back of the church. If you would like to register for gift aid, please email [ramsgategac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ramsgategac@rcaos.org.uk).

The **Summer Celebration of St. Jude** will be on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at the Carmelite Shrine of St. Jude in Faversham. The day will include devotions with anointing, open air Mass and a procession past the Shrine of St. Jude. Please see the poster at the back of church for more information.

Following the fall of the **Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill**, fresh bids to introduce an assisted dying law in England & Wales are anticipated. See the poster at the back of the church to help protect healthcare workers & hospices by signing the online petition.

**Shrine of St. Augustine & National Pugin Centre Volunteers Needed.** Do you have an interest in history or gothic architecture? If you do & can spare a few hours each month then please consider volunteering at our visitors centre and contact the parish office.

**Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament.**

**St Ethelbert's:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8.30am.

**St Augustine's:** Tuesday from 12.30 – 1.30pm.

**Rosary: St Ethelbert's:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 9.00am.

**Mothers' Prayers:** St. Ethelbert's Parish Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 12.00noon followed by **1<sup>st</sup> Friday Rosary** at 12.30pm.

**Please see the Mass Schedule at the back for any changes this week.**

**Confessions: St Ethelbert's:** Saturday before 5.30pm. Mass.

**St Augustine's:** By arrangement.

**St. Augustine's Visitor Centre and Shrine** is open to visitors 7 days a week from 10am to 4pm

**Minster Abbey.**

Weekday (Mon-Sat) Mass – 9am

Lauds – Mon-Sat 8.30am, Sunday 9am

Vespers – Mon-Sun 6pm

Sunday Mass – Sunday 10am only

Vigils – Mon-Sat 5.30am & Sun 6am

Midday Office – Mon-Sun 12.20pm

Compline – Mon-Sun 7.45pm

**Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently especially:** Clive King, Jean Regan, Gillian Gilbert, Miriam Mehlin, Anthony (Tony) Webster, Uta Nedd, Kevin Flynn & Doreen Browning.

**Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick, especially:** Sr. Aelred, Rita Andrews, Barbara Bailey, Tim Bowell, Brylle Buenaventura, William Carbury, Mary Cotton, Eileen Crowley, Christopher Egan, A. Fell, Martin Flannery, Julie Foreman, Jim Gallagher, Pauline Gladman, Valerie & Michael Godden, A. Gosling, Joan Hall, Mark Harvey, Carlos Hernandez, Alex Jordan, Tai Jordan, Alena Joyette, Piotr Kapuśniak, Yan Kelly, Susanna King, Steve Lawlor, Rita Lemesheva, Kay Lovett, A. Lucas, Pauline Macdonnell, B. Mallon, M. Marjoam, Norma McAllister, Eileen & Jack McCaughan, Eleanor McGinley, Kevin Nicholas, Mary Northrop, Viktor Nowicki, Kevin Pender, Tom Phelan, Magdalena Prystupa, Jeannette Riley, Guy Rowe, H. Russell, Jane Ryan, Derek Rydz, Tarlie Sansom, Jef Silva, Di Sinclair-St Claire, Edward & Patricia Smalley, Maggie Smith, Violet Solley, Lisa Taylor, Frank Tierney, Catherine Tocci, Julian Tranguille & Jenny Whitebread.

**Prayer Candles (St. Ethelbert's)** - Clare, Matt, Patricia Smalley WB, Fr. Simon WB, Jack & Eileen McCaughan & The Quincey-Jones Family

We're registered with **Easyfundraising**, which means that over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you shop with them at no extra cost to yourself! It's easy & completely FREE! Sign up at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> & select the Catholic Parish of Ramsgate & Minster. Contact the parish secretary for help setting this up or see the poster at the back of the church.

**Monday Group:** Do you want to know more about Catholic Spirituality? Come along to the Monday Group at 4.30pm in St. Ethelbert's meeting room on Mondays and explore the treasure of the Faith.

**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 any sick or bereaved parishioners who may like a home visit, or their name placed on the sick list, please obtain their permission and forward the details to the Parish Office.

The Parish newsletter can be accessed from the Shrine homepage at  
[Home - Shrine of St Augustine & The National Pugin Centre \(augustine-pugin.org.uk\)](http://Home - Shrine of St Augustine & The National Pugin Centre (augustine-pugin.org.uk))

**Parish Social Media**

**Twitter:** @catholicramsmin **Facebook, Twitter & Instagram:** @AugustinePugin

**YouTube:** /staugustinesramsgate

## Mass Intentions for the Week

		<i>St. Ethelbert's</i>	<i>St. Augustine's</i>
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	<i>Feria of Easter (1962 Vigil of Pentecost)</i>	Mass at Minster Abbey at 9am	12 noon <i>(Latin 1962 Low Mass)</i> Christine Dawson RIP
<b><i>Pentecost Sunday (A) (1962 Pentecost)</i></b>		5.30pm      Luiza & Alex Dias PI	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May		10.00am      Sr. Mary Condron PI	8.30am      Margaret Stanley RIP (Anniversary)
		12 noon      Faustyna Carnell PI <i>(English &amp; Polish)</i>	12.00am      Liam Tobin RIP <i>(Sung Latin 1962)</i>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	9.30am      Holy Souls RIP	12 noon      Mandi Hammond & David Pettit RIP
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>St. Philip Neri, priest</i>	<b>NO 9.30AM MASS TODAY</b>	12 noon      Alfred & Elizabeth Johnson RIP
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	<b><i>St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop &amp; apostle of England</i></b>	<b>NO 9.30AM MASS TODAY</b>	12.00 noon      People of the Parish
			7.00pm      Ana, Joyette, <b>SUNG</b> Elena & Family <i>(Ordinariate</i> PI <i>Use)</i>
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i>	9.30am      For Parishioners with Mental Illnesses WB	<b>NO 12.00 NOON MASS TODAY</b>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>St. Paul VI, pope</i>	<b>NO 6.00PM MASS TODAY</b> <i>all are welcome to the induction Mass of Fr. Jackson Sebastian Mavelithayil at Birchington parish at 7pm</i>	12 noon      Julie Laws WB <i>(Ordinariate)</i>
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary (1962 Whit Saturday/Ember Day)</i>	Mass at Minster Abbey at 9am & Our Lady Star of the Sea, Broadstairs at 9.30am	12 noon      Maggie & Brian <i>(Latin 1962</i> Smith PI <i>Low Mass)</i>
		3.00pm      Blessing of the Sea at Ramsgate Harbour.	
	<b><i>The Most Holy Trinity (A)</i></b>	5.30pm      People of the Parish	