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**THIS IS THE FIRST WEEK OF A TRIPLE NEWSLETTER**

**please hold on to it until August 28th!**

**Newsletter for the week commencing 6th August 2023**

**THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

**Entrance antiphon: In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father’s voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.**

**First Reading: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14**

**Psalm 96 Response: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.**

**Second Reading: Second letter of St Peter 1: 16-19**

**Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, the Beloved he enjoys my favour; listen to him. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9**

**Communion antiphon: When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**

**Father Behr writes:**

Dear Parishioners

**SMA Mission Appeal**

On the weekend of August 19/20 Fr Andrew Batare from the Society of African Missions (SMA) will be coming to our parish.

SMA are an international missionary Society with members coming from 24 countries. Their missionary focus is Africa and her people. Their purpose is to spread the Gospel. Their missionaries presently serve in 17 different African countries.

To find out more please visit their website; <https://www.sma-gb.org/home>

**There will be a second collection to support the work of the SMA.**

They sum up their ethos:

“To be a missionary with all my heart
To neglect nothing that will advance the work of God
To seize every opportunity of preaching the word of God
To use every available means to train a native clergy.”

I know you will give Father Andrew Batare a warm welcome.

**Fr Behr**

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| **This week’s services (5th – 12th August), Feasts and Mass intentions during the week.** |
| **Saturday 5th August**The Blessed Virgin Mary | No public Mass am10.30 -11am Confession6pm Vigil Mass *People of the Parish*   **Reader: Kathy** |
| **Sunday 6th August****THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD** | 10am Mass *Angela Margaret Gosling RIP* **Reader: Suzanne**12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass  |
| **Monday 7th August**St Sixtus II, Pope, &Companions; St Cajetan, Priest | 10am Mass *Mark’s Intentions* |
| **Tuesday 8th August**St Dominic, Priest | 10am Mass *Donor’s Intention* |
| **Wednesday 9th August**St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr | 10am Service of the Word and Holy Communion |
| **Thursday 10th August**St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr | No Adoration today10am Mass *for Priests* |
| **Friday 11th August**St Clare, Virgin | 10am Mass *Neal Kennell wellbeing*10.30 – 11.30am Adoration |
| **Saturday 12th August**St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious | No public Mass am10.30 -11am Confession6pm Vigil Mass *People of the Parish*  **Reader: Wendy** |
| **Sunday 13th August****NINETEENTH SUNDAY (A)** | 10am Mass *William (In Thanksgiving)* **Reader: Rachel**12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass  |
| **Flowers: for Sunday 13th August – Suzanne** |

**The Tree surgeon is coming on Thursday 9 August so the car park will have limited space all morning.**

**Confession**

Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30am - 11am. He is also happy to visit those who are not able to come to church.

**Children’s Liturgy**

Children’s Liturgy at the 10am Mass on the first Sunday of every month. All children who have not made their First Holy Communion are welcome to attend.  The next lesson with Lorraine **September 3.**

**Quiz**

Thanks to all those who donated raffle prizes and helped with our Old School House Larder fundraising quiz. We managed to raise a total of **£719.**

**Evangelium Conference 18-20 August 2023 for Young Catholics (18-35)**

Oratory School in Reading. Guest speakers include Fr Marcus Holden, Mgr. Michael Nazir-Ali, Brenden Thompson, Dr Caroline Farey, Fiorella Nash, Fr Pius Collins, Fr Mark Vickers, Matthew Ward, Fr Royston Price.

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**Ride & Stride (Friends of Kent Churches): Saturday 9th September 2023, 10am - 6pm**

It's that Ride & Stride time of year again! By taking part in the annual Ride & Stride you can:

* keep fit
* visit some of Tenterden's and Kent's beautiful churches on foot or by bicycle
* Support St. Andrew’s: the money you raise is divided equally between the church of your choice and the Friends of Kent Churches

You can ride and stride alone or plan a route with friends and family. You can cover the churches of a single town, like Tenterden, or go further afield. You can walk or ride for an hour or devote a day to it. Every little counts!

Sponsorship forms and list of participating churches are available for download at the Friends of Kent Churches website at <https://www.kentrideandstride.co.uk/downloads>

We shall also need kind volunteers to greet riders and striders and sign their forms.

If you can spare just one an hour on Saturday 9th September, please sign the form

at the back of the church (and include your contact number please).

**Any updates/changes for the next two weeks will added as necessary.**

**Newsletter for the week commencing 13th August 2023**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**

**Second week of a triple edition**

**Entrance antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.**

**First Reading: First book of Kings 19: 9, 11-13**

**Psalm 84 Response: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.**

**Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 9: 1-5**

**Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33**

**Communion antiphon: The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.**

**Father Behr writes:**

Dear Parishioners

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Tuesday 15 August. It is a holy day of obligation so there is Mass at 10am and 7.30pm. There is also a Latin Mass at 12pm.

Collect for the Solemnity of the Assumption

Almighty ever-living God,

who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son,

body and soul into heavenly glory,

grant, we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Thursday 10 August there will be no Adoration as the tree surgeon will be working outside the church. It will too noisy. Mass at usual time of 10am

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**Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:** Ann Finn, Leonard Holley.

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| **Saturday 12th August**The Blessed Virgin Mary | No public Mass am10.30 -11am Confession6pm Vigil Mass **Reader: Wendy** |
| **Sunday 13th August****NINETEENTH SUNDAY (A)** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Rachel**12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass  |
| **Monday 14th August**St Maximillian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr | 10am Mass *Stacia Robinson Wellbeing* |
| **Tuesday 15th August****THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – Holyday of Obligation** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish***7.30pm Mass *Doreen Kennell’s Intentions***  |
| **Wednesday 16th August**St Stephen of Hungary | **10am Mass** *Donor’s Intentions* |
| **Thursday 17th August**Feria | **No Mass or Adoration**  |
| **Friday 18th August**Feria | **No Mass or Adoration** |
| **Saturday 19th August**St john Eudes, Priest | No public Mass am**No Confession**6pm Vigil Mass **Reader: James** |
| **Sunday 20th August****TWENTIETH SUNDAY (A)** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Collette**12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass - |
| **Flowers: for Sunday 20th August - Breeda** |

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**Newsletter for the week commencing 20th August 2023**

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**

**Third week of the triple edition**

**Entrance antiphon: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield, and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better that a thousand elsewhere.**

**First Reading: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7**

**Psalm 66 Response: Let the peoples praise you, O God: let all the peoples praise you.**

**Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32**

**Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord. I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28**

**Communion antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.**

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| **Monday 21st August**St Pius X, Pope | 10am Mass |
| **Tuesday 22nd August**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 10am Mass *Donor’s Intention* |
| **Wednesday 23rd August**St Rose of Lima, Virgin; Sts John Wall & John Kemble, Priests & Martyrs | 10am Service of the Word and Holy Communion |
| **Thursday 24th August**St Batholomew, Apostle | 9am-10am Adoration10am Mass  |
| **Friday 25th August**St Louis; St Joseph of Calasanz, Priest | 10am Mass10.30 – 11.30am Adoration |
| **Saturday 26th August**Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest | No public Mass am10.30 -11am Confession6pm Vigil Mass **Reader: Pat** |
| **Sunday 27th August****TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY (A)** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Brian**12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass  |
| **Flowers: for Sunday 27th August - Frances** |
| **Cleaners: For 26th/27th August – Liz & David** |

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