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Newsletter for the week commencing 13th July 2025

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory. First Reading: The Book of Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Psalm 69 (68) Response: Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive

Second Reading: The letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1: 15-20

<u>Acclamation:</u> Alleluia, alleluia. Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. <u>Gospel</u>: Luke 10: 25-37

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Father Behr writes:

Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday 12 July at 2pm we have a service of thanksgiving for the ministry of Deacon Jolyon in our parish over the last 14 years.

After the service there will be refreshments followed by the presentation of a gift from the parish. A big thank to all those who contributed to the gift for Jolyon.

Fr. Behr

This weekend we welcome Bishop Paul Hendricks, area bishop for Kent. He will be coming to celebrate a special Mass on Sunday in thanksgiving for Jolyon's diaconal ministry in our parish over the last 14 years.

Your Prayers are asked for:

Recently deceased:

Those ill or infirm: Sophie, Lady Wyn McWilliams, Michael Payne, Roger Styles, Mary Basher, Paul Lane, Mara McDermot, Ailish Cantwell (Jones), Joe Adams, Ellie Lawrence, Patricia Hook, Josie Payne, Pat Holland and all those who are unwell and in need of our prayers.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Alexander Porcherot, Gertrude Fisher, William Buck, Esther Tickner, Ivor Corbett, Maisie Strivens and Mary Cowley.

Masses and services for the week (12th – 20th July),			
Feasts and Mass intentions.			
Saturday 12th July	No public Mass am		
St John Jones, Priest &	6pm Vigil Mass People of the Parish Reader: Pat		
Martyr			
Sunday 13th July	10am Mass Jolyon & Suzanne Vickers Wellbeing Reader: Frances		
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY (C)	12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass		
(Stella Maris Sea Sunday)			
Monday 14th July	10am Mass Anne Herring RIP		
St Camillus de Lellis, Priest			
Tuesday 15th July	10am Mass Donor's Intention		
St Bonaventure, Bishop &			
Doctor of the Church			
Wednesday 16th July	No Service		
Our Lady of Mount Carmel			
Thursday 17th July	9am Adoration		
Feria	10am Mass Tommy Gallagher RIP		
Friday 18th July	10am Mass In Reparation (Margaret)		
Feria	Adoration 10.30 – 11.30am		
Saturday 19th July	No public Mass am		
The Blessed Virgin Mary	6pm Vigil Mass People of the ParishReader: James		
Sunday 20th July	10am Mass Gordon Reynolds RIP and Family Reader: Kathy		

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY (C)	12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass	
Flowers: for 12th July - Frances		

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 is 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 is Sunday, September 7th.

Parish WhatsApp Our parish has a WhatsApp group. We will post parish events including social events, special occasions and requests for help in the parish as well as general parish news. If you would like to join, please get in touch with Fr Behr. On Tuesday after Mass at 10.30am we have a coffee morning. We will be exploring the options for new Stations of the Cross for our parish church. This is a great way to come together and get involved in an important project for our parish. We are going to look at what is available and put some options together for our parish.

Parish AGM

On Friday 5 September we have our parish Annual General Meeting (AGM). This is a great opportunity to come together. Our Finance Committee will present an overview of the spending, and we can have plenty of time for reflecting on our parish.

David Green suggested we have fish and chips together from 6pm and then open the meeting for 7pm. There will be a signup sheet for the fish and chips nearer the time.

Please put the date in your diary. More details and agenda for the AGM will be available nearer the time.

Hope in Adoration. As part of the Jubilee Year, Archbishop John is encouraging people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and have their hopes "fulfilled by Christ".

The campaign, Hope in Adoration, will share testimonies from parish priests and laity

throughout the year on how Eucharistic Adoration has helped them build a closer

relationship with the Lord Jesus. Resources will also be made available for free and there is a comprehensive list of times of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes across the Archdiocese. Find out more about the campaign at <u>reaos.org.uk/hopeina</u> We have two opportunities for Adoration in our parish. On Thursday mornings from 9am and on Friday mornings from 10.30am.

We Believe. Celebrate the Jubilee at WeBelieve, a festival of Catholic Life gathering the Church to share the hope that we have in Christ. <u>From 25th-28th July</u>, join us for four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Msgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Early Bird Tickets available now at <u>www.webelievefestival.com</u>

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 25 August 2025 from 10:30 am to 4pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call millie on <u>07957594646</u> for more information.

Dirty Church?

As a result of departures of various kinds, there are now just six church cleaners (working in teams of two). With so few of us, we are unfortunately now only able to commit to cleaning the church every four weeks (instead of the current fortnightly rota). If there are more offers from volunteers over the next months, we can of course look to go back to more frequent cleaning. Perhaps you'd like to consider joining the cleaning team - and recruit a friend to do it with you?! We hope to hear from you! Please contact Rachel or Martin Heinrichsmeier on heinrichsmeier@btinternet.com.

The Church Cleaning Team

Cleaning Rota – until end of 2025			
Cleaning Team	Official cleaning Weekend		
Rachel and Martin	19 th July		
Liz and David	16 th August		
Frances and Isabella	13 th September		
Rachel and Martin	11 th October		
Liz and David	1 st November		

Ride & Stride: Saturday 13th September 2025, 10am - 6pm: See Poster in the Porch

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 <u>https://www.kentrideandstride.co.uk/</u>

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 13th September please sign the form in the Porch (and include your contact number please)

Life Charity:- Compassion

We can provide you with resources to support women and families experiencing pregnancy and baby loss, of whatever form.

https://getinvolved.lifecharity.org.uk

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track. Call to find out more <u>www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443</u>

SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

There are still a few places available on the pilgrimage, which Southwark makes to Lourdes <u>from 22 to 29 August</u> this year. For information and booking, please see <u>https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/</u> There are a range of hotels available, though most Southwark pilgrims will be staying at the Hotel Eliseo. Further information is available from Bishop Paul<u>paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk</u> or Canon Perera<u>edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk</u>

Evangelium 2025 conference - <u>15-17 August</u>. A conference on Catholic faith, life and culture to help make faithful young Catholic adults effective for Mission. Over the years, hundreds have ignited their faith through Evangelium. Guest speakers include Fr Marcus Holden and Fr Marcus Wharton. Book and more details:<u>saintant.com/product/evangelium-</u>2025 & poster here.

The Well: Evening of Eucharistic revival with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. <u>On 11 September from 6.30pm-9.30pm</u>, St George's Cathedral is hosting a special evening of beauty, reflection and Eucharistic revival. The heart burns with a mysterious thirst; THE WELL is an invitation to quench that thirst. THE WELL engages the imagination and the senses with live music by Mike Mangione and the dynamic presentation of Christopher West, for a revival like you've never experienced before. Tickets cost £21 and can be booked via <u>rcaos.org.uk/thewell2025</u>.

Walk the Augustine Camino for Mary's Meals

<u>Monday 1st September – Sunday 8th September 2025</u> Join us for the whole pilgrimage or walk with us for a day

During this Jubilee Year we would be delighted if you joined us as Pilgrims of Hope on some or all of the Augustine Camino, starting at Rochester Cathedral, finishing at the Shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. The pilgrimage will take us to four of the designated Jubilee churches and shrines in Southwark Archdiocese:

- The Friars, Aylesford
- St Jude's Shrine, Faversham
- St Thomas of Canterbury, Canterbury
- St Augustine's Shrine, Ramsgate

To book your place on the pilgrimage, or to ask any questions about it, please contact Roy Peachey, the Mary's Meals Supporter Engagement Officer for Kent, Surrey, Sussex and South London, on <u>roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk</u> or <u>07593 447297</u>.