



**ST ANDREW'S
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Newsletter for AUGUST 2025

Father Behr writes:
Dear Parishioners,

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15 is a Holy Day of Obligation. We have Holy Mass at 10am and 7.30pm. There is also a Latin Mass at 12pm. We need Our Lady's prayers at this crucial moment in the life of our nation and our troubled times. Our Lady is the Mother of God and our Mother and when we honour her it is pleasing to our Lord Jesus. Devotion does not detract from our worship of the one true God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Devotion to the Blessed Virgin is an integral part of our Catholic faith.

Fr. Behr

New Stations of the Cross

Following some great meetings on Tuesday mornings we are now opening our consultation on the new Stations of the Cross to everyone in the parish.

As you come into the church this weekend you will notice that there are boards with Stations of the Cross that are numbered 1-6. We have also put some pictures on the wall of the First Station of the Cross in the church. You can pick up a leaflet and make your preference known. You may think that more than one option would be suitable for our church, so you put your choices in order of preference. If there is one that you think it not suitable for the church there is also space on the leaflet to indicate that.

I would like everyone to take part and discuss the pictures. The pictures and the board will be available throughout August.

Your Prayers are asked for:

Recently deceased: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maria Teresa Dyer RIP who died recently. The funeral service will be on Friday 29 August at 11am.

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: Philomena Parker, Patricia O'Hea, Andrew Iginski, Anne Morton, Joseph Corcoran, Sylvia Ulph, Ronald Carey, Linda Wolff, David collard, Eva Ford, Evelyn Robertson, Joseph Puxty, Catherine Lista, Alex Holmes, Philomena Curtin, Monsignor Edward Hill, Ann Finn, Leonard Holley, George Foster, Mary Cherry, Ian Currie, Ernest Venables, Pat Wood, Teresa White, Edith Cooper, Vera Gibson, Martin Saunders, Mary Roche, Duncan Bryant, Anne Williams (nee Cregan), Rosalie Robertson, Donald Hayesmore, Audrey Clark, Hester Rositer, Kevin Thornton, Dorothy Taylor, Violet Bruce-Norton and Sir Frank McWilliams.

Confession Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30am - 11am. He is also happy to visit those who cannot 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.

August

Saturday	2nd St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest	6pm Vigil Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: Lorraine Flowers : Pat
Sunday	3rd EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY (C)	10am Mass <i>David and Liz Green 40th Wedding Anniversary</i> Reader: Frances 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass
Monday	4th St John Vianney, Priest	No Mass
Tuesday	5th Feria	No Mass
Wednesday	6th The Transfiguration of the Lord	No Service
Thursday	7th Feria	No Mass
Friday	8th St Dominic, Priest	10am Mass <i>Lijoy and Christabel Intentions</i> 10.30am – 11.30am Adoration
Saturday	9th St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr	6pm Vigil Mass <i>Lista Sisters</i> Reader: Pat Flowers: Pat
Sunday	10th NINETEENTH SUNDAY C	10am Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: Kathy 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass
Monday	11th St Clare, Virgin	10am Mass <i>Maria Milton Wellbeing</i>
Tuesday	12th Feria	No Mass
Wednesday	13th Feria	No Service
Thursday	14th St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr	No Mass
Friday	15th THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Holy Day of Obligation 10am Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 7.30pm Mass <i>Father Vincent Convery RIP</i>
Saturday	16th Feria	6pm Vigil Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: Pat Flowers: Frances Cleaning: Liz and David
Sunday	17th TWENTIETH SUNDAY C	10am Mass <i>Glyn Bilby RIP</i> Reader: Rachel 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass
Monday	18th Feria	No Mass
Tuesday	19th Feria	No Mass
Wednesday	20th St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church	No Service
Thursday	21st St Pius X, Pope	No Mass
Friday	22nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10am Mass <i>In Reparation (Margaret)</i> 10.30am – 11.30am Adoration
Saturday	23rd Feria	6pm Vigil Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: James Flowers: Kathy
Sunday	24th TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY C	10am Mass <i>Anna Hunt & Family (Inez)</i> Reader: Frances 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass
Monday	25th Feria	No Mass
Tuesday	26th Feria	No Mass
Wednesday	27th St Monica	No Service
Thursday	28th St Augustine, Bishop & doctor of the Church	10am Mass <i>For Priests</i>
Friday	29th The Passion of St Joh the Baptist	11am Funeral Service for Maria Teresa Dyer RIP
Saturday	30th Sts Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward,	6pm Vigil Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: Peter Flowers: Pat

	Martyrs	
Sunday	31st TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY C	10am Mass <i>World Peace (Inez)</i> Reader: Kathy 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass

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 sign-up 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.

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

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)

Events planned for 2025 - add these dates to your diary!

Saturday 15 November will see the return of our Advent Fair

Saturday 29 November we will host a 'Pot Luck Supper' to celebrate the feast day of St Andrew

Catechetical Institute. Thanks to the generosity of the [Archbishop's Appeal](#) and the Franciscan University, every parishioner, catechist, parent and teacher in our schools and parishes will now have **free access** to over 120 high-quality workshops from the Catechetical Institute. Each parish features on the [Franciscan platform](https://franciscanathome.com/southwark)(<https://franciscanathome.com/southwark>). It's simple to sign-up, with a short video on the Agency page (<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>) to guide you through. This offering is free to everyone until September 2025.

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

www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

Walk the Augustine Camino for Mary's Meals Monday 1st September – Sunday 8th September 2025

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 roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk or 07593 447297.

The Well: Evening of Eucharistic revival with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. On 11 September from 6.30pm-9.30pm, 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 rcaos.org.uk/thewell2025.

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 [07957594646](tel:07957594646) for more information.

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make an informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information.

A life changing opportunity!

Do you desire to know Jesus more intimately?

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark and beyond who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy.

The course will commence on 18 October 2025 and the cost will be £400 per year. The full cost of the course, payable over 2 years is £800. In addition, registration must be completed in advance and there is a non-refundable registration fee of £50. Further details can be found here: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>