



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Catholic Community – Herne Bay, Kent

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

11TH – 12TH MAY 2024

Entrance Antiphon: Lord, hear my voice when I call to you. My heart has prompted me to seek your face; I seek it, Lord; do not hide from me, alleluia.



**God is love and anyone
 who lives in love
 lives in God,
 and God lives in him**

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17.20-26	2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16	Gospel: John 17:11-19
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MASS INTENTIONS & SERVICES

Saturday 11 th May	18.00	Robert Smyth (INT)	Thurs. 16 th May	10.00	Moyra Feathers (INT) Holy Souls
Sunday 12 th May	08.00 09.30 11.15	Johnson Family (INT) V.J. Sebastian (ANN) Jessie Knight (RIP)	Friday 17 th May	10.00	Fr Patrick CP (INT) Bridie & Michael Ward (INT)
Monday 13 th May	10.00	RoseMarie Williams (INT) Eugene, Colin & Betty McKeown (RIP)	Sat. 18 th May	11.00	McDonagh Family (INT)
Tuesday 14 th May	10.00	Olive and Ken Dawson (INT) Tony Bombone (RIP)	Sat 18 th May	18.00	Gormley Family (INT)
Weds. 15 th May	10.00	Mary and John Locke (INT) Eileen & Pat Keenan (INT)	Sunday 19 th May	08.00 09.30 11.15	Claudia Gaskin (INT) Bombone Family in Thanksgiving People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 10-11. **ADORATION ON THURSDAYS:** 10.30 a.m. to 10.00 pm

MEDITATION Tuesdays 2.30 pm in church. LECTIO DIVINA: Prayerful Reflection on the Sunday Readings: Online every Saturday, 9.00 to 10.00 a.m. Please see website for link details. Come and join us. All welcome

FEAST DAYS: Tues. 14th May – St. Matthias, Apostle. Weds. 15th May – St. John Stone.

Thurs. 16th May – St. Simon Stock. Sat. 18th May – Pope St. John 1

Please pray for all the sick: Elizabeth Johnson, Gemma and Fred Waters, Joan Beardall, Lynne Leung, Stuart Hamilton, Emma Horsey, Josephine Mizzi, Bridget Foster, Brian and Margaret Worley, Aileen Barker, John and Ann Connolly, Ian Wright, Rose-Marie Williams, Connie Caira, Martin McVey, Frank Roy Smith, Terry Suggett, John Gibbon, Carole White, Debbie Kehoe, Wendy Jane Findeis, Terry Vacani, Chris and Michele David, Rita Kendrick, and Monica Cole, For all undergoing hospital treatment and all suffering with Covid. And praying for all who are mentally ill.

We remember those who have died. Tony Bombone, Jerome Windsor, Patrick Joseph O'Donovan. And please pray for Jessie Knight, Robert Smyth, V.J. Sebastian and all others whose anniversaries occur at this time.

FUNERAL: Friday 17th May at 11.45am for Patrick O'Donovan.

AYLESFORD PRIORY PILGRIMAGE SATURDAY MAY 18TH: All are welcome to join: Meet at Aylesford at 11.00 a.m.

Holy Mass at 12.00 followed by lunch (either packed lunch or café on site) 2.30pm Rosary Way.

Contact **Marian Green:** 01227 361685 or 07853 010168

ABORTION AMENDMENTS LAWS: Contact your MP to support an amendment to lower the abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks and oppose two abortion up to birth amendments. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks gestation can now survive outside the womb. Email your MP by visiting righttolife.org.uk/littlefighters and righttolife.org.uk/uptobirth before the debate on Wednesday 15 May. Given the upcoming general election, this could also be our last opportunity to make a positive change to our abortion laws for a number of years. **ABORTION TO BIRTH AT HOME:** On this same day an item will be put forward by 2 pro-abortion MP's Stella Creasy and Diana Johnson. In effect this amendment to the current law will allow abortion to take place at home by the mother up to birth, risking women's lives and stripping any remaining rights from unborn babies. Please contact your MP urgently, asking them to oppose these extreme proposals. You can do this using SPUC's easy to use webtool, at <https://www.spuc.org.uk/abortionamendments>. The Bill will be debated on 15 May, so please contact your MP urgently by sending a personal email to them.

PRAYER FOR LIFE: As the Easter season draws to a close, may the spirit of Easter and new life remain with us. Let us pray that the good works and charity of our church community continue, especially towards the needy among us preparing for the birth of a child.

PRAY FOR THE BAY: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm Monday 13th May: Pettman House, corner of Beach St Carpark and Beach St. A great opportunity to join with other Christians in Herne Bay to pray for the town.

SVP- TEA, COFFEE & CAKE SALE: The SVP will be hosting the Tea/Coffee & Cake sale after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 19th May & Sunday 16th June. All proceeds help the local people in need. Thank you for your support.

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: July 13th 2024 at St George's Cathedral. If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than May 31st 2024**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Email us at mflkent@rcaos.org.uk As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Maidstone St Francis.

Fr Mark recommends this brief video which gives a taste of the beauty and importance of the Synodal Process which is ongoing in the Church: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2023-11/multimedia-of-synod-general-assembly-letter-to-people-of-god.html>

A suggestion for the house-groups which are continuing: There is some very helpful material based on the Synod Report of October 2023 which could be used to help deepen the sense of our participation in the life of the Church: You are welcome to come and sample this material at a meeting on Sunday 12th May at 4.00pm in the Retreat Hall. If you would like further information, please email or call Fr Mark.

Parish Multicultural Event- 15th June immediately after special 6 pm Mass. We have several performances reflecting different cultures in the parish, there is still time to add more! Taster cultural dishes have been offered, (Malta, Philippines & India) more would be welcome. Buffet & glass of wine provided. Cultural items, flags, traditional clothing welcome. £5 a ticket under 12's free. Tickets 25th/26th May, reserve list at back of church 18th/19th. For more offers of performances/taster dish contact Frank fj.gormley@tiscali.co.uk or m/b 07503928463

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND: PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11	2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13	Gospel: John 20:19-23
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Cleaning Group (A) CHURCH CLEANING: More volunteers are needed on the 4 weekly rota. If you would like to help, please contact Helen Connolly: 07919 556870

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT – The Collection for last weekend was: Loose cash £460.40; Gift Aided £251.00: Total £711.40. Collection for Sudan Emergency Appeal £1,017.00; thank you for your generosity. And thank you for your continued generosity through Standing Orders and Online giving. These bring in upwards of £400 per week. Your support means so much. Many, thanks. **NB** If you pay UK tax then you can gift-aid whatever you offer.

This weekend collection for World Communications Network– supporting the work in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues.

