



21st Sunday of the Year Mass times, intentions + this week

Sat 24th August	6.00pm	Bernie + family
Sun 25th August 21st Sunday	10.30am	Parishioners' Intentions + Ann Beckett, Alex Shaw
Mon 26th August <i>St Dominic Barberi</i>	10.00am	Bridie Glennon
Tues 27th August <i>St Monica</i>	9.10am 9.35am	Thomas + Jacqueline McCarthy (<i>Anniversary</i>) and Ian McCarthy <i>Carers of the Church Environment</i>
Wed 28th August <i>St Augustine</i>	11.30am 12 noon	<i>Confessions + Exposition</i> Marie Hoyer
Thurs 29th August <i>Death of John the Baptist</i>	9.10am	Lilian Donohue
Fri 30th August <i>St Edmund Arrowsmith</i>	9.10am	Thank you to all (Nicola)
Sat 31st August	6.00pm	David Owen RIP (<i>Anniversary</i>)
Sun 1st Sept 22nd Sunday	10.30am	Parishioners' Intentions + John Leamey

PRAYING THE PARISH: THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO LIVE IN: CANTERBURY CLOSE AND TAUNTON DRIVE

Confessions	Confessions + Exposition on Wednesday at 11.30am. At any other time, by appointment with the Priest.
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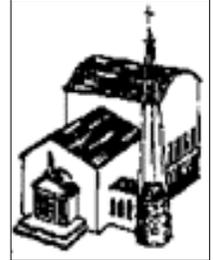
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21st Sunday of the Year 25th August 2019



Today's **Psalm** places the truth of God's love for all of humanity at the centre of this Sunday's liturgy.

The prophet Isaiah in the **First Reading** speaks of a time when the Lord will gather all people to himself. God's love is so strong that people of every nation, race, and belief – and even those of no faith – will be counted as his children.

But we are reminded in the **Gospel** to be careful; to avoid being complacent about our own faith and religious practice. There are no limits to where the spirit of God is at work, and God has no favourites. There is an urgency in Jesus's teaching here that links directly to Isaiah, for he speaks of a time when all will be gathered into God's kingdom feast, but those who take their faith for granted may find themselves shut out.

This spiritual teaching may seem harsh, but the **Second Reading** from Hebrews explains that our spiritual and temporal trials can only be understood when we are aware of the truth of our relationship as daughters and sons of God. God's love for us is strong, and God only wants what is best for us.

At a time when there is much division and animosity within political life and between nations, races and religions, let us pray that we, who belong to a community united by prayer, may by our words and deeds be a powerful sign of God's strong love for all of humanity.

Thank you: to Fr John for looking after us whilst the parish priest is not here. We are so grateful for his gentle and kind ministry.

New Sanctuary Work: All that is left now is new carpets for the sacristies and for the sanctuary and tabernacle veils. A new place for parents to go with their children is now made ready. We hope you enjoy it and it helps parents and children feel welcome and an important part of our parish family. Please ensure that only supervised children use the space. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to get this wonderful space ready.

Food Bank: Thank you to everyone who is helping to ensure that families in need have some extra food for the school holidays.

Date for Your Diary. Charity Concert, by Red Rose Concert Band, on Sunday, 15th Sept at 2.45 p.m. in Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Popular music from film and musicals. Proceeds in aid of Woodlands and St Josephs Hospices. Tickets £5.00: Eddie Caldwell on 526 8288 or the Parish Centre.

Making Contact: If you are new or wish to make contact please note the forms at the back of the Church.

Book of Remembrance: You can put the name of a loved one in the book. How? Please take an envelope marked 'Book of Remembrance'. Write the name, date and year of death of the person. You can make a donation towards the new sanctuary as you do this. (Please write in capital letters and clearly.) Please only write one name for each envelope.

Parish Website: We have added a page called Parish Directory. If you see any errors in this, anything missing please contact the Parish Office.

Holy Rosary Parish Centre: New beers will be introduced (at reduced prices) and football (Sky, Amazon and BT) will be back on in Holy Rosary Parish Centre. There will be new opening times, these begin immediately: Mon, Wed + Fri 8.00pm - 12.00pm. Sat: 12.30pm. Sun: 12 noon. (If football, the Centre will be open Tue + Thu).

Exam results: We remember all those who have received or are waiting for exam results at this time. This can be stressful for all concerned. We remember them and their families in our prayer.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. We must make sure that anyone who comes into contact with the Church or her ministers is kept safe. Collette Price is our new safeguarding person. In order to be up to date with our DBS clearances there will be a special come along and be updated session on Monday 9th September in the Romero Room between 5.30pm and 7.30pm. Please collect a letter from the sacristy if you are a Minister—this will begin the process. Thank you.

With You Always Registration: If you have a child going into Year 4 who is not at Holy Rosary School and you wish them to be part of our programme of preparation for Confession and Communion, please take an application form from the sacristy.

Job vacancy: The prolife charity Life is looking for enthusiastic church and community fundraisers in the Diocese to help us grow our life-saving work with vulnerable mothers. We want you to help our volunteer fundraisers, manage local events, and develop relationships with community groups. We offer a competitive salary for a full or part-time position based at home. Contact jobs@lifecharity.org.uk for more details.

Thank you for the donation of £50 for the new sanctuary and for the donations coming in (already £630) for the Book of Remembrance which will also go to the sanctuary work. Thank you for the donation of £10.00 for flowers for Angela Clarke.

Family Groups: You will recall we mentioned re-introducing family groups in Holy Rosary as part of continuing to make our Parish a welcoming place for all. A family group is made up of all ages and circumstances who commit to meet regularly through low/no cost social activities and get to know each other better. Our aim is to have 3 groups. There will be further information over the coming weeks about family groups and how to become involved. In the meantime we are looking for volunteers to become group leaders. There are 2 leaders for each group and their role is to facilitate the smooth running of the group, encourage and support its members and make sure people receive information (the parish office will help with any admin). Is this a ministry you feel you could be come involved in? if you want to know more or would like to volunteer your services contact Fr Philip or Pauline Crabtree in the Parish Office.