



## Parish of Ramsgate and Minster

### The Feast of Saints Peter & Paul (A) – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020

My Dear People!

What a relief after all these months to be able to open our churches for individual prayer. I hope you will be able to pop into St. Ethelbert's in the morning and St. Augustine's in the afternoon. It is important to show The Lord in the tabernacle that we have missed him and to show the world how important this is. (Below you see the Cardinal's message regarding public Masses.)

This weekend we celebrate the Feasts of Saints Peter and Paul. The biggest church in the world is built over the tomb of the Apostle and 1<sup>st</sup> Pope, Simon Peter. The 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest church in the world is built over the tomb of the Apostle Paul. These two men, so different, combined to give their lives for the spread of the Gospel. In just a few centuries the Gospel had conquered Rome and became, with the tradition of ancient Greece and Rome, the basis of western civilisation. The Gospel of Jesus Christ upholds the individual worth of every human being and so basic human rights are built upon this. In the recent past we have seen the most horrible and cruel trampling of human rights with Nazi and Marxist philosophies which resulted in the incarceration and deaths of millions of people. Please pray that the ideologues of our present time will not exploit the pandemic to exert their own control - freakery over the individual rights of the man in the street.

I hope that if you have not been to Rome yet, that one day you may visit the four great basilicas, two of which are fore mentioned. Better still read the Epistles of St. Peter and St. Paul. As one of my teachers said, "Some of their writings are the most sublime words ever written!"

God Bless you all.

*Fr. Christopher and on behalf of Fr. Simon & Fr. Leszek*

**Prayer Candles for the week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020:** Steven Godden RIP, Elvira Lind - Wellbeing, Intentions of Jackie Coppock, Martin Marjoram – Wellbeing.

**Mass Intentions for the week: 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020.**

	St. Ethelbert's	St. Augustine's
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Feast of Saints Peter &amp; Paul</b>	
	1. Private Intention (Fr LK)	1. Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon (Fr. SH) 2. For the People of the Parish (Fr. CB)
<b>Monday</b>	Fr Pawel RIP & Piotr Jasinski RIP	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Tuesday</b>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon
<b>Wednesday</b>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	Ceacillia Windsor
<b>Thursday</b>	Anne O'Neill RIP	Jim Hogan RIP
<b>Friday</b>	Private Intention	Private Intention
<b>Saturday</b>	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon	Holy Souls of Our Lady of Montligeon

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection today for Peter's Pence.**

## **FINALLY, A DEGREE OF CHURCH OPENING:**

**St. Ethelbert's – Monday to Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am. - Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament.**

**St. Augustine's – Monday to Saturday 1.00 – 3.00pm. Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday.**

**Visitors are welcome but need to socially distance, gel hands, and exit at a different door indicated.**

**It is necessary to have 2 Stewards present at each church during Adoration. Stewards required, please contact Fr. Christopher or Fr. Simon if you are able to help.**

**FROM OUR SISTERS AT MINSTER** -We are now live-streaming Midday Office (at 12.20) and Compline (at 7.45pm except for Thursday when it is at 7.30pm). **We now have a separate email for prayer requests, [prayerneededminsterabbey@gmail.com](mailto:prayerneededminsterabbey@gmail.com)**

**Fr. Christopher is saying Mass, Mon-Sat at 7.45am (and available after) on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stethelbertsramsgate](https://www.facebook.com/stethelbertsramsgate) (scroll down to see recorded Masses).**

**Sunday at Noon (and available after), St Augustine's will stream Mass in Latin on YouTube. Please subscribe to our channel using the following link: [youtube.com/StAugustinesRamsgate](https://youtube.com/StAugustinesRamsgate)**

**Fr. Simon is live streaming at St. Augustine's at 8.30am on Sundays. The Masses are in the Ordinate Use. <https://www.facebook.com/AugustinePugin>. No weekday streaming of Midday Mass from Monday.**

**Fr. Leszek will celebrate Mass in Polish on Sunday at 10.30am (and available after) on Facebook. Polish – tv-trwam.pl - (Catholic channel).**

**Divine Retreat Centre: [www.youtube.com/user/ukdivine](https://www.youtube.com/user/ukdivine) [www.facebook.com/drcuk](https://www.facebook.com/drcuk)**

**To follow Sunday (or daily) Mass using the following options:**

EWTN – TV Channel or online.

YouTube: [livemass.net](https://livemass.net) (traditional Latin Mass) [churchservices.tv](https://churchservices.tv)

Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham: [www.walsingham.org.uk](https://www.walsingham.org.uk) for daily Mass and Services.

CAFOD – Streaming Children's Liturgy for families on Sundays at 10.00am.

### **Confessions:**

On request – please contact the Priest (if you have a temperature or a cough please make a perfect Act of Contrition and wait.) The confessional grill is cover with cling film.

**Marriage Preparation:** Contact your Priest if you are planning to get married and preparation can be completed online with Marriage and Family Life Kent.

**Parents requiring Baptism for their child** to contact Fr. Christopher, Fr. Simon, or Fr. Leszek and discuss Baptismal Preparation in the current situation.

**URGENT MESSAGE for GIFT AID members....** If your tax status changes due to Coronavirus, do NOT use your Gift Aid envelopes for donations, AND contact Paul Knell for confidential advice - either by email, [paulknell5709@gmail.com](mailto:paulknell5709@gmail.com) or tel. 07724188416.

### **WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT COLLECTIONS!**

Your Parish depends upon your weekly collection. Now that there is no public Mass we are threatened with serious financial disaster. We now depend even more on your generosity so how is it possible to support our Church financially during this lockdown?

- 1) Send a cheque through the post, written out to Parish of Ramsgate & Minster or St. Ethelbert's Church.
- 2) Arrange a direct debit (Paul Knell on Tel: 07724188416 will help you).
- 3) PayPal – [paypal.me/augustineramsgate](https://paypal.me/augustineramsgate)
- 4) On your daily permitted exercise, pop cash through Presbytery door, using an envelope marked 'collection' or else your Gift Aid envelope.

**WORK IN THE CHURCHES** In spite of the pain due to closure we are taking this opportunity to respond to the fabric of both churches. At St. Augustine's some volunteers have renewed the gutters and painted the bars over the windows which is very fiddly and exacting. At St. Ethelbert's Fr. Leszek has done a huge amount of work sanding down every one of the 31 pews. Now he is almost finished varnishing and staining

each one and anyone who can help is welcome. It is done outside where social distancing can be maintained. Also, as the pews were moved out, we have completed the renewal of the parquet floor. All of this costs money and I do ask for your help as this is such a unique opportunity to renew our churches!

### **Prayer of Pope Francis to Our Lady during the Covid 19 Pandemic**

*"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".*

*In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.*

*Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.*

*Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.*

*Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health. Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.*

*Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.*

*Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.*

*Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.*

*Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.*

*Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.*

*To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.*

**Please remember in your prayers Maureen Sales, Mary Ann Lovett-Bean, Valerie Owen, Lorraine Mulverhill, David Shufflebotham, Roy Stagg, Mary Sinclair, Derek Richmond, Shelia Pople of Dover, Winifred Alltoft, Rina Ward, Johanna Reeves, Dennis Adams, Barry Hudson, all who have died recently and for their dear families and friends who mourn them.**

**We pray for the sick:** M. Clark, N. Wall, Kathy Carr, M. Marjoam, A. Fell, E. Finn, A. Larks, Mary O'Neill, E. Smalley, Clem O'Brien, D. Hall, T. Webster, M. DuFau, E. Evans, H. Russell, M. Walley, J. Hall, B. Mallon, Denis McClosky, G. Gabbett, A. Gosling, Mary Austen, Kathy Knobbs, Olive & Tom Carney, Malvern Owen, V. Grilli, Marguite Byers, Yan Kelly, Frank Tierney, A. Lucas, Elvira Lind, Bridget Davis, Vicky & Kevin Nicholas, Josephine Calway, Sylvia Quinn, Susanna King, Rose Coldwell, Pat Vanscalina, Lydia Horneff, Christine Lathen, Adrienne Taylor, Doreen Browning, Sr. Aelred, Valerie & Michael Godden, Mary Dowd, Eileen McCaughan, Jef Silva, Joe Pheby, Jane Sellon, Kathleen Freeman, Roz James, Steve Lawlor, Sally Watts, Eileen Crowley, Steve Kelly.

### **Messages from the Southwark Archdiocese:**

#### **Safeguarding Team:**

The NCSC have released their explicit policy position on reporting concerns and allegations. The statement should be placed on all parish websites under the safeguarding heading and put into all parish newsletters. It has automatically been placed as a disclaimer on all rcaos safeguarding emails.

“If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger.

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased.

If you are in any role within the Catholic Church in England and Wales, you must refer allegations directly to the safeguarding office for your diocese or religious congregation, or directly to the Police.

If you are a member of the public, please refer allegations directly to the police and also to the safeguarding office in your diocese. You can contact the Archdiocese of Southwark Safeguarding Office by telephoning 0207 261 1606 or via email at [safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk)

## **From: Marriage and Family Life Kent**

**Subject:** Building a Better Marriage opportunity for married couples in your parish

Dear husband and wife! During the lockdown period an **online** 'Building a Better Marriage' opportunity is being held on **July 4<sup>th</sup> 2020** running from 10am -1pm. The course offered means that you can attend from your own living room and **there is no group sharing!** A recent Build a Better Marriage course held on April 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 received the following comments from married couples who logged on ... 'The topics were chosen well and we could really relate to them. The personal stories you shared were very insightful and helped us to reflect on our own relationships more deeply... It was relaxed and you put us at ease, being friendly and personable...' 'We thoroughly enjoyed attending the course and have certainly been practicing a few of the things we learnt already. It puts a smile on our faces when we do because we know that we are certainly richer from participating in the course.' **For further information contact: Carole - Tel: 07983524727 - email: [mflkent@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflkent@rcaos.org.uk)**

## **A Message from Bishop John - National Mass for Keyworkers and Families**

The Bishops' Conference have organised a weekly live stream Mass to pray for Keyworkers and their Families. [Archbishop John will be celebrating the 2<sup>nd</sup> July Mass.](#)

## **A Message from the Metropolitan Archbishops - Regarding the resumption of collective worship in England.**

".....With the easing of restrictions on worship with congregations, we tread carefully along the path that lies ahead. Our lives have been changed by the experience of the pandemic and it is clear that we cannot simply return to how things were before lockdown. We remain centred on the Lord Jesus and His command at the Last Supper to "do this in memory of me." We must now rebuild what it means to be Eucharistic communities, holding fast to all that we hold dear, while at the same time exploring creative ways to meet changed circumstances.

It is important to reaffirm that, at present, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. A significant number of churches may remain closed as they are unable to meet the requirements for opening for individual prayer. Fulfilling these requirements is a precondition for any church opening after the 4th July for the celebration of Mass with a congregation.

Please be aware that there will be a limit on the number of people who can attend Mass in our churches. This will be determined locally in accordance with social distancing requirements. We therefore need to reflect carefully on how and when we might be able to attend Mass. We cannot return immediately to our customary practices. This next step is not, in any sense, a moment when we are going 'back to normal'.

We ask every Catholic to think carefully about how and when they will return to Mass. Our priests may need to consider whether it is possible to celebrate additional Masses at the weekends. Given there is no Sunday obligation, we ask you to consider the possibility of attending Mass on a weekday. This will ease the pressure of numbers for Sunday celebrations and allow a gradual return to the Eucharist for more people. Moving forward there will still be many people who cannot attend Mass in person. We therefore ask parishes, wherever possible, to continue live-streaming Sunday Mass, both for those who remain shielding and vulnerable, and also for those unable to leave home because of advanced age or illness..."

## **Vincent Cardinal Nichols – Archbishop of Westminster**

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