

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass
 Sun 8.00 am
 9.30 am Family Mass
 11.15 am Sung Mass
 5.45 pm (1st Sun Youth Mass)

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs 7.30 & 10.00 am
 Wed 7.30 am, 12.30 pm,
 7.30 pm Extraordinary Form
 (1st Wed monthly ONLY)
 4.30 pm Burrswood
 (2nd Wed monthly ONLY)
 Fri 7.30, 10.00 am & 7.30 pm
 Sat: 8.00 and 10.00 am

Reconciliation

Sat 10.30-11.30 am. 4.30 - 5.15 pm
 Also by appointment.

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Prayer

Benediction with Evening Prayer of the Church.

Sunday 4.00pm
Eucharistic Adoration
 Monday - 6.30 am - 8.00 pm
 Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am - 1.00 pm
 Friday 6.30am - 9.00pm

Morning Prayers

Monday- Friday 7.00am, Saturday 7.40am

Rosary

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri before 10.00 am Mass

ROSARY INTENTION

For all those who hunger: that, through the grace of God, they may come to share in the abundance given for us all.

Monday - Friday the church is usually open from 6.30am until at least 8.00pm.

Prayer Groups

Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -
 Blessed Sacrament
 Charismatic Tues, 8.00 pm - Church
 Christian Tues, 2.00 pm- MR3
 Meditation
 Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3
 Prayers

Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed. Contributions to: newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

Newsletter can also be printed from the website - <http://www.st-augustine.co.uk/newsletters.php>

ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

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MARY FULL OF GRACE by Deacon Kevin Dunne



Mary is different from us. We acknowledge the difference in the Hail Mary: she is 'full of grace' and we are 'sinners' - but we must not think of her exalted state as setting up a barrier between her and us. It is precisely because she is the Mother of God that she is at the centre of the mystery of Christ and the Church and is herself a pre-eminent member of the Church. The unique privilege of the Immaculate Conception prepared Mary for her divine motherhood. It was by virtue of the redeeming power of Christ her Son that she was, from the first moment of her conception preserved free from Original Sin.

Mary gave herself totally to God and became the Virgin Mother of God through her free consent to His invitation. Her bodily virginity symbolises the new creation in Christ and challenges us to live in undividedness of heart and affection of Jesus Christ.

Mary is most intimately related to the Church; as the link between the old and new dispensations she receives the Word of God on behalf of Israel and all mankind. In conceiving and giving birth to Christ she realises, in her own person, the vocation of God's people; to give to the world its Saviour. At Cana Jesus gives his first great sign as the result of her request and changes water into wine. She stands at the foot of the cross as the Church is born symbolically from Christ's side in the water and blood, symbols of Baptism and the Eucharist which constitute the Church. She prays with the disciples at Pentecost when the Church launches out on its mission which will continue to the end of time.

Why not join us on Saturday 13th October as we begin our DVD course on Mary?

Details shown below or pick up a leaflet from the table.

LET IT BE

"An exploration of Mary, past and present"

A 5 week DVD course starts with - **"Chosen by God"**
 in Hall Sat 13th October @ 10:30am

Over the weeks we will have input from experts such as Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Fr Raniero Cantalamessa, Fr Jim McManus, & others.

Please mark the date in your diary.

All are welcome, refreshments provided.

**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME
 Year B Psalter Week 2
 PARISH MASS BOOK
 Readings: from page 138
 Preface: page 68**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The children's liturgy team is looking for new volunteers to join their rota of helpers and liturgists. Please help the Parish to deliver this valuable service to children aged 3 to 7 during Family Mass on Sunday at 9:30am. The team works in pairs on a rota, so only once every few weeks it will be your turn.

No particular qualifications are required other than love for Jesus, care about children and their growth. A DBS check will be required and organised by the Parish. Join a liturgy session any Sunday to see for yourself what is all about and talk to the catechists, or simply email luisakommu@hotmail.com to know more.



R.C.I.A.

Talks on the Catholic Faith, starting Tuesday 16th October.

If you know someone who might be interested in the talks or might be thinking of becoming a Catholic, please let us have their name and details, with their permission.

ROSEMARY OLIVIER – MEMORIAL MASS

In appreciation of our former Headteacher, Rosemary Olivier, the school is holding a Memorial Mass for her on Tuesday 9th October at 7.00 pm.

The Mass intention would also be for any members of our school community who have recently lost a loved one.

You are cordially invited to the Mass to be held in the School Chapel at 7.00 pm and light refreshments will be served afterwards.

Please do stay and join us to share your memories of Rosemary.

RSVP to Jane Ireland, School Chaplain: jireland@sgschool.org.uk by 4th October.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

If you are going into hospital and would like a priest to visit you during your stay it is essential that you let one of the priests know. Tunbridge Wells hospital and many other hospitals do not inform us when Catholic patients are admitted.

HARVEST THANKS

Thank you for all your Harvest Sunday grocery donations, these help to restock our Food Bank which is currently supporting about 64 needy people a week, of whom 22 are children. This is an ongoing need and there is a basket in the narthex for donations throughout the year; very many thanks to everyone who has donated through the last year.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul.

St Teresa of Avila

Bingo Again



The next session is this Monday, 1st October at 2pm in the Church Hall.

Admission is again £2 per person and

includes refreshments.

All are welcome.

PAYING FOR THE COACH

Would people planning to attend the Day of Renewal at St George's Cathedral on 6th October, please go to the office and pay for their seat as soon as possible. Thank you.

"Combating Modern Slavery in our Communities"

talk by given by Fr MARK ODION of the Catholic Bishops' Conference (CBCEW).

Fr Odion has been working with Bishop Lynch, who is the Chairperson of the Santa Marta Group (SMG) in the UK for the CBCEW on the issue of Human Trafficking since late 2015. SMG is a combination of Police-Government-Church. Fr. Odion gave the background to creation of the group and its work in the field of combating trafficking. He also spoke of how we can be aware of the possibility of victims of trafficking in nail bars, car washes, etc.

The presentation was attended by 38 from both our own & other parishes. Our thanks to Fr. Odion for the talk and those who attended and their contributions towards the work of SMG.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 29th SS. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Noon Baptism Church

2.30pm Polish Catechism Hall

SUNDAY 30th 26th Sunday Yr B Ps Wk 2

MONDAY 1st St Therese of the Child Jesus
1pm Bingo – Church Hall

TUESDAY 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels

WEDESDAY 3rd

2.30pm Bible Study – MR3

THURSDAY 4th St Francis of Assisi

SUNDAY 7th 27th Sunday Yr B Ps Wk3
Rosary Sunday

Outreach CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day

The first Family Fast Day took place on 11 March 1960, when a group of Catholic women came together to raise funds for a mother and baby clinic in Dominica. This Fast Day focuses on the story of Lilian, a widowed mother in Zambia, whose life has been transformed by CAFOD partners, the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Lilian was so inspired that she trained with the sisters so that she too could support others. See: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-CAFOD/Harvest-Appeal>

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