

GOUDHURST and HAWKHURST PARISH

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24th July The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

MASS: Saturday 5.30pm Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst

**Sunday 8.30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst Monday to Friday 9.30am Goudhurst
10.30am Goudhurst**

Baptisms and Confessions: By arrangement.

Holy Days of Obligation: Mass 9.30am and 8.00pm at Goudhurst, 11.00am at Hawkhurst.

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist: Every Wednesday morning 8.30 to 9.30am and on Friday morning 9.00am to 9.30am at the Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst.

Anniversaries: The following anniversaries occur at this time

Bill Elliott, Florence Stacey, William Bennett, David John Dee, Pat Day, Joanna McClean, Ros Reardon. Mirabelle Kelly, Nick Rourke, Penny Scott-Watson, Helena Lesniewska, Christian Le Bourlier and Monica Scrowston. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick in the parish:

Daisy and Helen Fletcher, Nuala Manwaring, Marjorie and John Dumbleton, Shirley Brady, Shirley Dore, Cynthia Raza and Philip Sheridan.

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Parish Collections: 16/17 July £436.55 of this £336.62 was Gift Aided. Thank you.

Peter's Pence collection £145.00 thank you.

The Catholic prison charity PACT (Prison Advice & Care Trust) is seeking daytime volunteer mentors to help ex-offenders re-settle after being in prison. We are asking individuals to accompany an ex-offender to their first few appointments and meetings with their social or probation worker, and the little things like setting up home and adapting to life after a spell in prison. None would be high risk offenders. This type of support is crucial in building a support network to help break the cycle of re-offending. Support and training will be provided. For more information:-

Please contact Emma at Emma.Oconnor@prisonadvice.org.uk or call 07712 306940.

St Augustine's Church Food Bank: Still needs TINS including, fish; meat; vegetables; beans, etc (not chick peas); soup; spaghetti; & macaroni cheese. Tinned fruit; rice pudding; custard; instant noodles; teabags; coffee & sugar. If everyone brings one or two items it will make a difference. We can take the goods, or you can go between 10.00am-4.00pm to St Augustine's Church, Crescent Rd, Tunbridge Wells. Our Collection box is at Goudhurst. Thank you. Fr Vic.

Events at Aylesford Priory.

Pilgrimage of the Sick with the Society of Our Lady of Lourdes – Sunday 14th August. Mass at 12 noon with the Sacrament of the Sick and then a procession and Benediction at 3.30pm.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage - Saturday 27th August starting with Mass at 12 noon,

Proposed Readers Rota for The Sacred Heart, Goudhurst We have been using a reader's rota at Hawkhurst for the last 3 years; there are about 10 people on the list which gives plenty of flexibility for people to swop with someone else if they will be away. The list is planned for 3 months at a time. We would like to establish a similar system for the 10.30am mass at Goudhurst. The rota would also give people time to prepare themselves, rather than being asked to read at the last minute. It would be a great help if you could let Fr Vic know if you would be willing to put your name forward. The parish council member who will prepare the rota will need your email and phone number; these will not be published and only given to the group on the rota. *Thank You Fr Vic.*

Pope Francis Year of Mercy Prayer

Lord, may your message of mercy and forgiveness reach everyone during this Jubilee Year.

May no one be indifferent to your invitation.

For our sake you have poured out your innermost life, a life of love and truth and mercy, in the death of Jesus and in the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Your glory fills our world. How much more it would shine if our lives reflected it more clearly!

Forgive our sins. Forgive the failings of us, your Church, by which we obscure your infinite goodness.

Cleanse us so that we do not dishonour your name but rather show forth only your love and mercy.