



# PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Churches of the Holy Redeemer and  
St. Thomas of Canterbury & the English Martyrs

Parish Priest : Father Míceál Beatty

Deacon : Ian Moon



I am celebrating Holy Mass daily and endeavouring to share via Facebook. A page had also been added to our website entitled 'Holy Masses' for those of you who do not have access to Facebook. Our Parish Facebook Page is Parish of the Good Shepherd, St Leonards on Sea & website is [www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net](http://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net)

## Seventh Sunday of Easter (Cycle A)

**Readings: Acts 1:12-14 1 Peter 4:13-16 John 17:1-11**  
**Response: I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.**

Sunday 24 May - Pro Populo

Monday 25 May - **Memorial - St Bede the Venerable**  
Pauline Bennett (Int)

Tuesday 26 May - **Memorial - St Philip Neri**  
Fr's Miceal, Eamon & John (Int)

Wednesday 27 May - **Feast - St Augustine of Canterbury**  
Fergal O'Hagan RIP

Thursday 28 May - Fr Doulas Perkins RIP

Friday 29 May - Bishop Emeritus Vincent Malone RIP

Saturday 30 May - Ruth & Martin Galvin - Golden Wedding

## Pentecost (Cycle A)

Sunday 31 May - Pro Populo

Monday 1 June - **Memorial - Mary, Mother of the Church**  
Paula Hunt RIP

Tuesday 2 June - Jo O'Neill RIP

Wednesday 3 June - **Memorial - St Charles Lwanga & Companions** - Mr Nicholas Vincent RIP

Thursday 4 June - **Feast - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest** - Sue Lee (Int)

Friday 5 June - **Memorial - St Boniface**  
James Bradley RIP

Saturday 6 June - Sean McCarthy RIP

## The Most Holy Trinity (Cycle A)

Sunday 7 June - Pro Populo

## Mass Intentions

You can still book Mass intentions via email [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk), via post or leave a telephone message. Your offering can be posted or hand delivered to the Presbytery. Please include the following information: Name of the Person for whom the Mass is to be offered. Your name, email address and tel. number and date desired - we cannot always honour the date requested.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, really present in the sacrament of the altar. Since I cannot now receive thee under the sacramental veil, come at least spiritually into my soul, through the immaculate heart of thy Most Holy Mother and abide with me forever. Thou in me and I in thee, in time and in eternity, in Mary.

## Contacts

Parish Office - Liz will return to the office on Tuesday, 2nd June. The office will remain closed and social distancing measures will be observed. If you require any assistance or have a query, please feel free to contact the office and Liz will get back to you as soon as possible. Take care and stay safe.

The Presbytery  
31c Magdalen Road  
Open - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9am until 3pm Phone : 01424 420 815

Parish Website Address:  
[www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net](http://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net)

Parish Office Email Address:  
[stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk)

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church:  
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St. Leonards-on-Sea,  
East Sussex. TN37 6ET

Holy Redeemer Church:  
24 Upper Church Road,  
St. Leonards on Sea,  
East Sussex, TN37 7AS

Conquest Hospital Chaplaincy:  
The Ridge, Hastings  
Please contact 01424 757088 or 01424 755255 after hours, and ask for the Chaplain to be paged.

Poor Clare Community:  
22 Upper Church Road, St Leonards on Sea,  
01424 751 214

Canonesses of St Augustine  
Filsham Road, St Leonards on Sea, 01424 434532

St. Mary Star of the Sea Primary School  
Headteacher: Mrs Claire O'Rourke 01424 427801  
Our Halls are currently closed until further notice  
Halls to Hire: Holy Redeemer Hall  
Concordia Hall 24 Upper Church Road,  
Church Road Robbie Clark on  
01424 420815 07789 002 221

S.V.P. Helpline Safeguarding Representative  
07771 757367 Brenda Bailey 01424 430923



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St. Richards Catholic College  
Principal : Miss Doreen Cronin 01424 731070

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Please pray for all our parishioners who are sick, are in hospital or housebound, especially Frances Barrett, Alan Turner, Lall Donaldson, Sheila Rowland, Patricia Burns & Mgr Barry Wymes and for those who have died recently, especially Pauline Burke RIP. May they rest in peace.



The Sanctuary Lamps have been donated this week for Private Intentions at Holy Redeemer & St Thomas'. Please pray for these intentions.



### **ADVICE REGARDING SACRAMENTS**

**Baptisms** - Baptisms will be deferred until such time that the public health advice is that congregations can gather safely. In case of necessity, baptisms should be celebrated with all the hygiene precautions that have been laid down by the Church in its COVID-19 advice.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** - Confessions are available by appointment only. Please email or ring the office to arrange an appointment; 01424 420815 or [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk). Social distancing measures will be in place.

**First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** - Parents/Carers will have received an update this week regarding these Sacraments. Unfortunately the date we had scheduled has been cancelled. At present, we are unable to confirm a date when the Sacrament will happen. We are waiting for advice from the Diocese. When we do finally return the FHC Mass and gathering is likely to look very different from previous years. Please be assured that as and when any update is received regarding FHC you will be informed.

**Confirmation** - Celebration of Confirmation – Postponed and Delegated. The Bishop has taken the decision to formally cancel all the scheduled Diocesan Confirmation Masses (which were due to begin last weekend) for this academic year. Therefore, for the avoidance of any doubt, our St Leonards Deanery celebration due for Trinity Sunday, 7th June 2020 will now not happen. I realise that this will be a disappointment, but I am sure it does not come as a surprise. The Bishop has also come to the view that it will be impossible to reschedule these twenty-five deanery celebrations into his diary, and so he has now granted faculty to administer Confirmation to Parish Priests. Again, this will be a disappointment to those wishing to receive the sacrament from the Bishop, but it is understandable and unavoidable. So, when will this revised celebration take place? At this time, we cannot give you a date. Only once we get the clearance for public Masses can we schedule a date for the celebration of Confirmation.

**Matrimony** - If possible, the celebration of the sacrament of Matrimony should be deferred until such time that people can gather in numbers safely. However, if this is not possible and only in the most pressing of circumstances, then those present for the marriage should be restricted to the celebrant, bride and groom and immediate family, and if necessary, the legal Registrar.

**Funerals** - There will be great pastoral sensitivity to this issue. The funeral service should take place at the grave-side or at a crematorium, subject to the conditions laid down by the cemetery or crematorium authorities. Arrangements should be made for a Mass to be celebrated in memoriam when congregations are allowed to gather.

### **ADVICE REGARDING SACRAMENTS (Contd.)**

**Anointing of the Sick** - You must ring the Conquest Hospital Chaplaincy on 01424 757088.

### **LOCAL NOTICES**

**Presbytery Food Store:** Thank you to all of you who so generously responded to my request for donations for the Food cupboard at St Thomas'. I have enough now, but will let you know when more supplies are needed. I am very grateful.

**Email Address Update:** I have sent out a couple of updates, but a number of emails were returned as the addresses are out of date. If you would like to receive my updates via email, please email the office [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk) and copies will be forwarded to you and your contact email added/updated to the parish distribution list. Thank you.

**Are you in isolation?** If you need help with shopping, collection of prescription or just a friendly chat (or know someone else that does?) We have a number of parishioners who have offered their help. If so, please let the parish office know on 01424 420815 or [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk) or follow the following link Do you know someone who would like to listen to Mass live from their phone? If so please could you let Liz know at the parish office.

**Weekly Offertory: Huge thanks to those of you who have donated to the offertory. Many of you have set up direct debits, a standing order or kindly dropped your donation through the Presbytery door.** Bless you, for without your support the parish finances will suffer. Here are the ways in which you can continue to give; Post offertory envelopes through the presbytery door. The diocese has also set up a simple way to give on-line via a "Just Giving Page" which is very easy to use: [www.justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory). Please remember to add a note: "donation to go to the Parish of the Good Shepherd, St Leonards." You can also choose, in the dropdown box, the additional % donation you wish to give to JustGiving, from 0% to 15%, whatever you choose the parish does not lose out! You can also use online banking, HSBC Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Parish of the Good Shepherd; Sort Code: 40 05 20, Account No.31078291 or you can set up a direct debit or if you wish to offer week by week, use the reference: your surname plus initial. Thank you for your continued support!

**Hastings Foodbank:** During the first two weeks in March, in comparison to last year, 81% more emergency food parcels and 122% more food parcels for children were handed out by Foodbanks. Your donations of food and toiletry items can be placed in collection points at local supermarkets or send a cheque made payable to Hastings Foodbank to The Hastings Centre, The Ridge, Hastings, East Sussex, TN34 2SA. Thank you.

**CAFOD Coronavirus Appeal:** You are invited to make a donation to this urgent Appeal. The impact of coronavirus in countries with poor health systems is devastating and CAFOD have local experts in these communities ready to help those in need, prevent the spread of the virus and protect lives. Donations can be made online at [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk), by phone on 0303 303 3030 or by cheque, payable to CAFOD, sent to CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB. Should you pay Income Tax, please Gift Aid your donation. Thank you.