



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 as per the schedule below. A page has 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

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A)

Sunday 18 October

Holy Redeemer 9am Monica & Liam Wheeler RIP

St Thomas' 11am Pro Populo

Second Collection - World Mission Sunday

Monday 19 October Solemnity - St Philip Howard

Streamed via Facebook 10am Bill Gadd RIP

Tuesday 20 October

Holy Redeemer 10am Chacko Thomas Ambalathattil RIP

Followed by Private Prayer with Exposition until 12 noon.

Wednesday 21 October

Streamed via Facebook 10am A M M Molloy (F)

Thursday 22 October

St Thomas' 10am Lightfoot & Joyce Dec'd Family Members

Followed by Private Prayer with Exposition until 12 noon.

Friday 23 October

Streamed via Facebook 10am Gabriel Farrell (Int)

Saturday 24 October

St Thomas' 12 noon Confirmation Mass In Thanksgiving

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A)

Sunday 25 October

Holy Redeemer 9am Francis Moens (F)

St Thomas' 11am Pro Populo

Second Collection - Retired Priest's Fund

Monday 26 October

Streamed via Facebook 10am Sr Helen (Int)

Tuesday 27 October

Holy Redeemer 10am Sam Bloch RIP

Followed by Private Prayer with Exposition until 12 noon.

Wednesday 28 October Feast - Ss Simon and Jude

Streamed via Facebook 10am Peter High RIP

Thursday 29 October

St Thomas' 10am Roy Fellows RIP

Followed by Private Prayer with Exposition until 12 noon.

Hastings Crematorium 12.30pm Peter High RIP

Friday 30 October

Streamed via Facebook 10am Robert, Ellen & Gerald Nisbet RIP

Saturday 31 October

Streamed via Facebook 10am Arthur Dale RIP & Chris Dale (Int)

All Saints - Solemnity

Sunday 1 November

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo

St Thomas' 11am Fr Michael McGlade RIP

Hastings Cemetery 3pm Blessings of Graves

Second Collection - World Communications Day

Mass Intentions: You can still book Mass intentions. 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, telephone number and date desired. The Sanctuary Lamps have been donated this week for Private Intentions at Holy Redeemer & St Thomas'. Please pray for these intentions.

Contacts

Parish Office - Liz has returned, but 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.

Both our Community Halls are closed until further notice. If you have any queries please contact the Parish Office.

The Presbytery

31c Magdalen Road

Open - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9am until 3pm Phone : 01424 420 815

Parish Website Address:

www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net

Parish Office Email Address:

stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church:

31c Magdalen Road,
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

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427801

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Principal : Miss Doreen Cronin 01424 73107



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S.V.P. Helpline

07771 757367

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Brenda Bailey 01424 430923

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RE-OPENING FOR HOLY MASS

My thanks to all our Stewards who make it possible for us to celebrate Holy Mass together.

Face coverings are mandatory in Places of Worship. All those who are attending churches must wear a face covering unless they are exempt from doing so. This is for the good of all who gather in the Church for Mass as it is an enclosed public space where there are people from differing households who they do not normally meet.
<file:///C:/Users/user/Downloads/2020.08.03%20-%20Guidance%20for%20Acts%20of%20Worship%20-%20Mass%20-%20Revision%2010.pdf>

Holy Communion, for those who wish to receive it, will be given AFTER Mass. Please come forward as directed by Deacon Ian. Immediately after you have received Holy Communion, please leave the church, following the "one way system". You cannot receive Holy Communion whilst wearing gloves.

If you come to Mass, it will be on a "first come, first served" basis. Once the capacity number has been reached, the stewards will stop anyone else from entering the church. Again, this is for your safety and for everyone else. PLEASE RESPECT THE GUIDANCE OF THE STEWARDS.

Some other things to keep in mind if you are coming to Mass:

- The Sunday Obligation is suspended at this time and I encourage people to attend during the week.
- Seating capacity in our churches: St Thomas' 30 persons & Holy Redeemer 31.
- Children's Liturgies will not be offered for the time being.
- Please do not come to Mass if you are isolating or show any symptoms of illness.
- If you have attended Mass during the week, please be generous in allowing space for others to attend.
- Please do not reserve seats in church for friends.
- Our Halls remained closed.
- The toilets remain closed.

Above all, **PLEASE BE PATIENT**. It is a difficult and strange situation, but we want to do the best we can to enable you to be at Holy Mass again. So, be kind to each other, be sensible and be good!

ADVICE REGARDING SACRAMENTS

All Sacraments may now be celebrated in accordance with Government Guidelines. Please contact the parish Office, on 01424 420815 or email stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk should you require any information regarding Baptisms, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Marriage, Funerals or Anointing. Please remember that 'Last Rites' doesn't mean last minute.

Confirmation 2020: Please remember in your prayers our Confirmation Candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, 24th October at 11am at St Thomas'. I will administer The Sacrament having been granted faculties by Bishop Richard. Many blessings and congratulations to our young adults and their families.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please refer to page 3 of this newsletter for a Financial Update in relation to offertory and how you can continue to contribute. I am, as always, very grateful for your continued generosity. Please note that any donations should be passed to the Parish Office or given via the Offertory collection for inclusion in the weekly count. **This includes any donations towards the upkeep of our halls, gardens or any fundraising events.**

Please remember in your prayers our children making their First Holy Communion this Sunday and next.

18th October

at Holy Redeemer Max, Sebastian, Xavier, Emilia and at St Thomas' Julia, Emily, Aimee and Kolisani.

25th October

Isabella, Isla, Aaliya and Nasario at Holy Redeemer and at St Thomas' Cassidy, Sarah, Dominykas and Joseph.

LOCAL NOTICES

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

200 Club September Draw: The results of the September draw carried out at St Thomas' by Fr Miceal are as follows: 1st Prize with number 098 was M Bailey winning £35.00, 2nd prize with number 08 was P Power winning £15.00. Congratulations to them both. For more details on how to join up please contact Brenda Bailey on 01424 430923.

Blessings of Graves: On Sunday 1st November I will be blessing our gardens of remembrance and at 3pm I will bless the graves at Hastings Cemetery.

Books of Remembrance: During November the month of the Holy Souls. The books of Remembrance will be placed in front of both our Altars. If you would like a family member entered into either book, please contact Liz in the office.

Vigil Mass: I would love to resume the Vigil Mass and hope to do so from Saturday, 7th November. If you are able to assist with Stewarding which includes cleaning the church following Holy Mass please contact me or Liz on 01424 420815.

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.

Deanery Station Mass: On Thursday, 5th November at 6.30pm Bishop Richard will offer Holy Mass, livestreamed from our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne for the those who have died this year, those known to us or not, in these exceptional times.

WEEKLY OFFERING & FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory Collections

w/c Sunday 4 October 2020

Holy Redeemer: £260.12 (GAD: £28) Second Collection Peter's Pence £17.10 (GAD: £12)

St Thomas': £254.30 (GAD:£80) Second Collection Peter's Pence £22.00 (GAD: £22)

w/c Sunday 11 October 2020

Holy Redeemer: £232.05 (GAD:£149) Second Collection CAFOD Family Fast Day £49 (GAD:nil)

St Thomas': £245.92 (GAD: £15) Second Collection CAFOD Family Fast Day £90 (GAD: nil)

August Standing Orders: £1,577.25 September Standing Orders: £2,052.25

September Justgiving Donations: £58.51

Huge thanks to those of you who have continued to donate to the offertory:

I have asked Solomon Ezobi, our Finance Chair, to extract some figures to give you an overview of our income for September 2020 compared to September 2019. As you can see we are down considerably on last year. Bless you, for without your support the parish finances will suffer.

SUMMARY:

	£- Sept 2020	£- Sept 2019	£ Variance	% Variance
INCOME:				
Donations & Legacies (Inc Offertory)	3,896.00	£6,272.00	£-2,376.00	
Other	48.00	£4,168.00	£-4,120.00	
	3,944.00	£10,440.00	£-6,496.00	-62%

Collections will be made following all Holy Masses, however, here are some alternative ways in which you can give;

How can I give to the Parish?

Apart from the offertory basket there are 4 methods that are available:

- Just Giving – please visit www.justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory where you can make a donation. Please specify that it is for The Parish of the Good Shepherd in the comment field. Also, please be aware that Just Giving suggest a platform fee of 15%, this can be set to zero or any other amount.
- Cheque – please send your cheque, payable to The Parish of the Good Shepherd, to the Parish Office.
- Standing Order either via online banking using the our account information listed below or by filling in the standing order form available via the link below and sending to your bank or the Parish Office. (Please email a copy of the form to the Parish Office). HSBC, A&B Diocesan Trust Registered Charity, The Parish of the Good Shepherd, Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account Number: 31078291. <https://www.dabnet.org/ContentDocuments/919.pdf>
- If you currently Gift Aid, please can use your Gift Aid number as the reference. This number is on your annual Gift Aid letter. If you don't know it, please contact the Parish Office and the reference will be supplied to you. If you are unable to Gift Aid, please use your surname as a reference. How do I add Gift Aid? If you pay tax, the Parish can reclaim an additional 25% of your offering. Please consider gift-aiding. To Gift Aid please fill in the form available via the below link and post it to the Parish Office or email it. <https://www.dabnet.org/contentdocuments/343.pdf>
- What if I have any questions?
Please email or ring the Parish Finance via the Parish Office - stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk telephone 01424 420815.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.