



# 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



Our churches are now open albeit limited. I continue to celebrate Holy Mass daily as per the schedule below. Our Parish Facebook Page is Parish of the Good Shepherd, St Leonards on Sea & website is [www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net](http://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net)

The Sanctuary Lamp this week has been donated for Private Intention at both St Thomas' and Holy Redeemer. Please pray for these intentions.

## Third Sunday of Easter (Cycle B)

### Sunday 18 April

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo  
St Thomas' 11am Fr Brian Taylor RIP

### Monday 19 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Judy & Sean Harkins (Int)

### Tuesday 20 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Mary Irwin RIP followed by internment of Mary Irwin's remains.

### Wednesday 21 April

Streamed via Facebook 10am Kenneth Owen RIP

### Thursday 22 April

St Thomas' 10am Makwiramiti Family (Int)

## Solemnity - St George, Martyr, Patron of England

### Friday 23 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Timothy Coates RIP

### Saturday 24 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Janet Coates Int

## Fourth Sunday of Easter (Cycle B)

The Sanctuary Lamp this week has been donated for Special Intentions at both Holy Redeemer and St Thomas'. Please pray for these intentions.

### Sunday 25 April

Holy Redeemer 9am Sue & Pat Lee (Int)  
St Thomas' 11am Pro Populo

### Monday 26 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Margaret Lester (Int)

### Tuesday 27 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Helen McDonald RIP

### Wednesday 28 April

Streamed via Facebook 10am The Keane Family (Int)

### Thursday 29 April Feast - St Catherine of Siena

St Thomas' 10am Private Intention

### Friday 30 April

Holy Redeemer 10am John Bailey RIP

### Saturday 1 May

Holy Redeemer 10am Lena & Michael Casserly RIP  
Holy Redeemer 3pm Syro Malabar Rite

## Fifth Sunday of Easter (Cycle B)

The Sanctuary Lamp this week has been donated for a Private Intention at both Holy Redeemer and St Thomas'. Please pray for these intentions.

St Thomas' 6pm Vigil Mass - Monica Stanfield RIP

### Sunday 2 May

Holy Redeemer 9am Reader Family (Int)  
St Thomas' 11am Pro Populo

## Contacts

**Parish Office** - Liz is in the office and social distancing measures are being observed. If you require any assistance or have a query, please feel free to contact the office via telephone or email [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk) and we 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](http://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net)

Parish Office Email Address:

[stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto: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

### St. Mary Star of the Sea Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Claire O'Rourke 01424  
427801

### St. Richards Catholic College

Principal : Miss Doreen Cronin 01424 73107



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S.V.P. Helpline  
07771 757367

Safeguarding Representative  
Brenda Bailey 01424 430923

## LOCAL NOTICES

Please pray for all our parishioners who are sick, in hospital or housebound, especially Kirsty O'Reilly, Frances Barrett, Alan Turner, Sheila Rowland & Patricia Burns and for those who have died recently, especially Dom Holmes RIP & Maureen Holland RIP. May they rest in peace.

**Maureen Holland RIP:** For your information Maureen died on Sunday 11th April, Divine Mercy Sunday, to which she had a particular devotion. The Requiem Mass will be at English Martyrs, Goring, followed by cremation on Friday, 30th April (to be confirmed). Please remember Maureen and her family in your prayers.

**Thank you - A huge thank you to you all for your support and generosity to me during Easter; for your gifts, cards, kind words and for your generosity towards my Easter Offering. I am, as ever, very grateful to you all for your continued support. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Can I also ask you to take a look at the last page of this newsletter and if you are able to help in any of the areas listed, please do make yourself known to me. Any support is appreciated - YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!**

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

**Sunday 28th March: £615.10 (GAD: £240)**

**Sunday 4th April: £333.38 (GAD: £82.00)**

**March Standing Order Total: £2398.75**

We have received a further anonymous donation of £150.00 to the Parish Offertory - thank you - we are most grateful.

### **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](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory) **Cheque:** Please send your cheque, payable to The Parish of the Good Shepherd, to the Parish Office. **Standing Order:** HSBC, A&B Diocesan Trust Registered Charity, The Parish of the Good Shepherd, Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account Number: 31078291. **Finance** ([abdiocese.org.uk](http://abdiocese.org.uk)) 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](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk) telephone 01424 420815. I am grateful for your continued support.

**Important Update:** Public Holy Masses have resumed and the Vigil Mass will commence on Saturday, 1st May as usual at St Thomas'. Our capacity at St Thomas' is 30 places and Holy Redeemer is 31 places. Holy Masses are detailed on the front page. Social distancing & Track and Trace remain necessary and my continued thanks to our Stewards/Cleaners who make it possible for us all to celebrate safely together. Please do not gather outside the church after Holy Mass and kindly only attend one Mass a week - if you can attend during the week, please do so. Also please be reminded that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. Overall please continue to be patient. Click below for the full guidance.

[Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales (cbcew.org.uk))

## LOCAL NOTICES (contd.)

**Urgent Help Needed:** One of our neighbours at Holy Redeemer has been in contact, as the trees from our garden are very overgrown and require cutting back. If anyone is able to assist or knows of someone who can help could they kindly contact the Parish office as soon as possible.

**Please pray for Casimiro Lende-Conway who will be baptised at St Thomas' on Saturday, 17th April at 12 noon. We remember Casimiro and his family.**

**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. If the date you require is already taken, you will be given the next available Holy Mass.

## ADVICE REGARDING SACRAMENTS

Please contact the parish Office, on 01424 420815 or email [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk) should you require any further information regarding Sacraments.

**First Holy Communion 2021:** Parents/Carers will be updated on our 2021 programme details in due course. Thank you for submitting your forms. Registration for the 2021 programme has now closed.

**Confirmation Programme 2021:** Details of the 2021 Confirmation Programme will be circulated in due course.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

**Petition:** It would appear that the Government is planning to reduce, to 0.5% GDP, its commitment to give 0.7% GDP as overseas aid. Please sign the online petition at <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/561068>. It is hoped that, resulting from your action, the proud record of this country in helping the world's poor will be maintained. Thank you.

**CAFOD – Climate Change Petition:** This year, the UK will host the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil: the 'COP26' climate talks in Glasgow in November. As Prime Minister, Boris Johnson must push world leaders to show the ambition we need to keep temperature rises below the disastrous 1.5-degree threshold. This means that all countries must play their part. With the eyes of the world on the UK, we must urge the Prime Minister to make sure communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. Please sign our petition [at //cafod.org.uk/reclaim](http://cafod.org.uk/reclaim) For those without internet access, petition cards can be ordered from the CAFOD Shop: 0300 011 5680. Thank you.

**Bishop Richard:** On 25th April at 8pm Bishop Richard will be giving a talk about his Benedictine journey. Since Bishop Richard was a seminarian, he has been an oblate of Pluscarden Abbey. This talk is part of a series hosted by the Lay Community of St Benedict which is celebrating 50 years since its foundation by the monks of Worth Abbey in 1971. You are welcome to join the livestream on Youtube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfRiPXjiTi5GGal6gJ4UfYQ/>. If you want further information, please email [icsb50.2021@gmail.com](mailto:icsb50.2021@gmail.com) or you can visit [www.laybenedictines.org](http://www.laybenedictines.org).



The news of the Government's plans for ending Lockdown has been very welcome. It can be an encouragement for us to start thinking about the Parish as we look to the future. I think it is very clear that we cannot simply carry on from where we left off as if nothing had happened. As things become easier there will be much to do. This is NOT an appeal for money. You are always generous in that way, but I am looking for volunteers to help in any way in the areas listed below: Your Parish needs you!

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:-**

**EVANGELISATION** • Study groups • Talks on matters of interest • Outreach to people interested to know more about the Faith.

**LITURGY** • Sacristy: Preparing everything for Mass • Altar serving • Involving children in the Liturgy • Welcoming and greeting at the porch door • Choir/music group • Flowers • Church cleaning to include Sacristy and surrounding areas.

**PASTORAL CARE** • Care group • Bereavement group • Visiting the sick and housebound • Offering practical help to elderly and housebound

**ECUMENISM** • Joint prayer and joint study groups

**COMMUNICATION** • Newsletter production and distribution. • How the Parish might make more effective use of modern technology and modern media of communication. • Contact with media in order to engage.

**STEWARDSHIP** • Maintenance of property etc • Gardening • Health & Safety Toolbox.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES** • Helping adults, young people and children and their parents to prepare for the Sacraments. • Baptism • First Holy Communion • Confirmation • Marriage

**SOCIAL CONCERNS** • Local charities • International Charities • CAFOD • Aid to the Church in Need.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** • Organising Fundraising events • Organising social gatherings • Arranging meet & greet evenings for new parishioners.

Do you have an hour to spare or maybe more? Would you be able and willing to help out in any of the areas listed above? If so, would you please make yourself known to me. You can ring the office, email: [stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk), call at the Presbytery or catch me after Holy Mass?

This is by no means a complete list. You may well have other areas that could be developed that haven't been included. I look forward to hearing from you.

Many blessings,

**Fr Míceál  
Parish Priest**