



**Parish of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Goudhurst and
St Barnabas Catholic Church, Hawkhurst, Kent**

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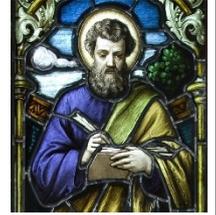
Priest in Charge : Fr Ethelbert Ukpabi

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday – 10:30am – 2:00pm

Parish Closed every Monday

Registered Incorporated Charity Number 1173050



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 9:00am – 9:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 4:30pm before Mass

PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

(End of the Season of Easter)

WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 19th May 2024

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading:	Acts 2:1-11
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm: 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34 Response: Send forth your Spirit, O, Lord, and renew the face of the earth.
Second Reading:	Galations 5:16-25
Sequence:	Page 288 in the Parish Mass Book, Hymn 261
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia! Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!
Gospel:	John 15:26-27, 16:12-15.
Bidding Prayers:	Come Holy Spirit Response: ... <u>fill the hearts of the faithful.</u>

Saturday 18th May 5:30pm	Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Holy Mass	Emamoke Ogowewo, Special Intention Adenike Adeniran, Healing and wellbeing Yetunde Ogunseye, Thanksgiving and healing
Sunday 19th 8:30am	St Barnabas, Hawkhurst	Holy Mass	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday 19th 10:30am	Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Holy Mass	Adenike Adeniran, Healing and wellbeing Yetunde Ogunseye, Thanksgiving and healing
Monday 20th	FATHER'S DAY OFF	Ordinary time of the year begins. (7th Week, Cycle 2, Psalter Week 3)	
Tuesday 21st 6.00pm	Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Holy Mass – Feria	Adenike Adeniran, Healing and wellbeing Yetunde Ogunseye, Thanksgiving and healing
Wednesday 22nd 9.00am 9:30am	Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Mass – Feria	Bimbo Odumosu, Healing
Thurs 23rd		No Mass	
Friday 24th 9.00am 9:30am	Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Mass - Feria	Adrian Ukpabi, Special Intention

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Peity, Fear of the Lord.

The twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit: Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-control, Chastity.

REFLECTION for Pentecost Sunday (B) 2024

Pentecost Sunday is the birthday of the Church. It is the day the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles. Pentecost marks the fulfilment of the promise of Jesus in Jn 14: 16, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever." In John 15: 26, "I will send you the Advocate-the Spirit of Truth." In Acts 1: 8, "But you shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The word Pentecost comes from the Greek, pentekostos which means fifty. It occurred fifty days after the resurrection of Jesus as the disciples were gathered in the upper room.

Originally Pentecost was a Jewish celebration. It was not called Pentecost, however. The Jews called it the Feast of Harvest or the Feast of Weeks. This feast is mentioned five times in the Old Testament-Ex 23, Ex 24, Lev 16, Num 28, and Deut 16. It was a feast that attracted pilgrims from different parts of the world. The reason there were people from Egypt, Rome, Pamphylia, Arabs, among others on that day. (Acts 2: 1-13)

Let us look at a couple of passages in the bible. In the gospel passage of today from John 20: 19-23 we are told that in the evening of the day the Lord Jesus rose from the dead, he appeared to the disciples behind closed doors, and having greeted them, 'peace be with you', he breathed on them saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit..." Go back millions of years, at creation in Gen 2: 7 we read "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." In the bible 'breath of God' means 'spirit of God'.

After the resurrection Jesus repeated what he did at creation, giving his breath, his spirit to man, thereby renewing creation.

The Holy Spirit descending on the disciples on Pentecost Sunday reinforced and sealed that new creation. The combination of new life and power in the disciples gave them courage, strength, zeal, and such incomparable love for the person and mission of Jesus. Only the presence of the Holy Spirit could have made this possible. It is on this power that the Church was built. It is into this power that every disciple of Jesus is called and immersed. **Happy Pentecost**

SEQUENCE, Hymn 261

1. Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height,
Thy pure beaming radiance give.
Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!
2. Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;
Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.
3. Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:
If thou take they grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.
4. Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour they dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:
5. Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.



Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family, Catherine Nixon

ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the repose of the Souls Bridget Codd, Hugh Butt, James Frazer, Brian Young, Eric Brooks, Florence Crouch, Jim Allen, Norman Bennett, Jessie Butterworth, James Grier, Edmund Harris, Eric Baird Smith, Harold Bilson, Mirek Mantyk, *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. May is the month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Please remember to pray the Rosary every day.
2. We announce the passing of Ronald (Ronnie) Anderson on 5th May 2024. His funeral will be held at St Barnabas Church, Hawkhurst, on 29th May 2024 at 1.00pm. May his soul rest in peace.
3. Please continue to help Teresa Dobing by offering to help her run the stall at the **Goudhurst Fete on 8th June**. She will also need your contributions for the stall. Please let her know how you can help by contacting her on teresadobing@btinternet.com or mobile: 07941822758.

Happy Pentecost. Today is the birthday of the Church and the end of the Season of Easter.

May the gifts of the Holy Spirit abide in our Church and the hearts and homes of all.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful.

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4. The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday 1st June 2024 from 11 am to 4:30 pm. The Recollection Day will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Pls call Millie on [07957594646](tel:07957594646) for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria
5. We are looking for a small automatic car for Father Ethelbert. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.
6. We encourage Parishioners to book Masses for any specific intention and for our faithfully departed.
7. Please will you inform Father Ethelbert of any parishioners who are sick and would like a visit, and if they would like their names to appear in our Newsletter for our prayers.



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We would be very grateful if you could kindly include the following message in your parish newsletter for the next two weeks if possible please:

Catholic maritime charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is very grateful for this parish's prayer and financial support of its work on Sea Sunday last year. To report back on the use of those funds, it invites parishioners to join an **online update and thank you webinar on Tuesday 28th May from 7:30pm to 9:00pm**. You will hear about the impact of your generosity on the lives of seafarers, fishers, and their families over the last year. Its CEO and chaplains will share inspiring stories of how they have helped seafarers and fishers through your support. To register for this virtual event, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou2024

Maidstone Deanery Confirmation Programme 2024

Applications are invited from young people in **Year 9 or above**, to join our 2024 Deanery Confirmation programme, who live in the parishes of Maidstone Deanery (St Francis', Maidstone/ St Peter's, Bearsted/ Holy Family, Park Wood, /St Thomas More, West Malling/ St Theodore's Cranbrook/ St Andrew's, Tenterden / Sacred Heart, Goudhurst).

The programme will run on mainly Sunday evenings at St Francis' Church, Maidstone, beginning in June, a break throughout the summer holiday, continuing through September - October, with the **Confirmation Mass scheduled for Saturday 19th October, 3pm**. (Venue TBC)

Applicants must be Catholics, who have made their First Holy Communion.

Applications must come from the candidate themselves.

Applicants will commit to attending all of the sessions.

Applicants must also be willing to participate fully in all aspects of the programme.

To request an application form, which also gives details of dates and times of sessions, please email: confirmation@stfrancisparish.org.uk

The closing date for applications is **Monday 3rd JUNE**

Any other questions can be raised either through this dedicated confirmation mailbox, or by contacting Deacon Ian.

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