

# Parish of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Goudhurst and St Barnabas Catholic Church, Hawkhurst, Kent TN17 1DN

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#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 9:00am - 9:30am SATURDAY 9:00am - 9:30am SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
SATURDAY 5:00pm before Mass

#### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY

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## **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm: 145: 7-10 Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading: Hebrews 9: 24-28

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44

Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day	Missa Pro Populo
5.30pm Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Vigil Mass 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection, Archbishop's Appeal	ssa spans
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day	
8:30am	Holy Mass	
St Barnabas, Hawkhurst	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection, Archbishop's Appeal	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day	
10:30am **Livestreamed	Holy Mass	Fulfilled and happy lives of Alfie and
Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection, Archbishop's Appeal	Isla Williams
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	FATHER'S DAY OFF	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>		Emmanuel Ukpabi RIP
6.00pm	Holy Mass – St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr,	Zimilandor Oripabi (m
Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Memorial	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>		
9:30am	Holy Mass - Feria	Emmanuel Ukpabi RIP
Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	The state of the s	Emmander Okpabi Kii
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>		
9.30am	Holy Mass - Feria	For Henry Jackson, to give him
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Sacred Heart, Goudhurst		accepting his changed body.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Thirty-Third Sunday (B)	
5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Birthday blessings for Anthony Dowling
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Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>		-1
8.30am	Holy Mass	
St Barnabas, Hawkhurst		
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# REFLECTION for Thirty-Second Sunday (B)

Today's liturgy of the word is about giving. In the first reading and the gospel we are presented with two generous widows. In the first reading the prophet Elijah asked the widow of Zarephath for some water and bread. The poor widow was gathering sticks to prepare the last meal for herself and her son, and then wait for death. But her generosity to the man of God not only saved her life and the life of her son, but also secured a future of abundance for both of them.

In the gospel passage the poor widow put into the treasury all she had to live on. Jesus said she put in more than all the others because, while the rich ones contributed from their surplus, the poor widow put in all she had to live on. Like the poor widow of Zarephath, she too gave all she had.

There are three kinds of givers in the world: grudge givers, duty givers, and thanks givers.

Grudge givers don't like giving. They give grudgingly with some resentment. Duty givers feel compelled to give. They give reluctantly. While thanks givers have the spirit of giving. They share whatever they have joyfully with others. They give freely and from the heart.

The two widows both gave from the heart.

Today's readings challenge us to ask ourselves how we give. Do we give? Are we generous? If we give, do we give grudgingly, dutifully, or cheerfully? Knowing that God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Cor 9: 7-8)

Giving freely from the heart attracts grace and blessings from God. Scripture tells us that "He that gives to the poor lends to the Lord; and that which he has given will he pay him again." (Proverbs 19: 17)

Giving is not only about money. We can also give ourselves and our time. We can give different things to different people. "The best gift to an enemy is forgiveness, to a friend is loyalty, to a child is good example, to a father is honour, to a mother is our heart, and to a neighbour is our hand." (Francis Balfour)

Let us close with the words of Jesus: "Give to others, and God will give to you. Indeed, you will receive a full measure, a generous helping poured into your hands-all that you can hold. The measure you use for others is the one that God will use for you." (Luke 6: 38)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1. Bible reading: Gospel of Mark, Chapter 6. If anyone has any questions, contact Father Ethelbert by email or phone.
- 2. <u>During the month of November, the month for Holy Souls, a purple box will be placed on the Sanctuary</u>. Please place names of deceased family members, parishioners and friends with offerings in the box. All Masses said in the month of November will be for the names in the box. Lists and envelopes can be found at the back of the Church.
- 3. <u>This weekend's Second collection on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> November is for the Archbishop's Appeal for Youth and Evangelization, Our Faith in Action and Clergy Care and Formation.</u>
- 4. <u>Autumn Fair 16<sup>th</sup> November</u>. We only have one week to go before the Autumn Fair. Please see the posters at the back of the church for donations to the various stalls. You can bring the items to the Presbytery from Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November between the hours of 10.30am and 5.00pm
- 5. The new Mass Books will start on the 1st December. If you would like to have the name of a departed loved one written on the inside of one of the new Mass Books, they will always be remembered and prayed for. The cost for this will be £5.00 which will assist with the purchase of the new Mass Books. Please contact Lizzi Payne at the Parish office, either by phone 01580 211268 or by email: <a href="mailto:goudhurst@rcaos.org.uk">goudhurst@rcaos.org.uk</a> for details.
- 6. 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 prayer.
- 7. Dates for your Diary:
  - For Readers: Sat 16th November, 1.30pm Training Session at Sacred Heart Church. If any parishioner would like to be a reader, you are welcome to attend.
  - 1st December 10.30am Mass, Inauguration of the Parish Finance Council
  - Childrens Concert, Sunday 26th January 2025, after 10.30 Mass, Goudhurst.



Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family, Lis Rourke

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

† Please pray for the repose of the Souls of The Fallen Soldiers 11/11/18, Laura Cobb, Hortensia Correra, Melvin Rubiaro, Muriel Oliphant-Mark and Peter Swainston, Peter Albertini, Joan Temple-Gottelier, Father Mendham, Severin de Chaumont, Otto Adamec, and Jean Douglas. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, May they rest in Peace.* 

### ONLINE DONATIONS