



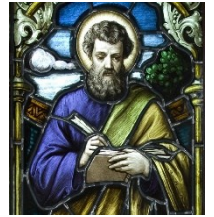
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**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 9:00am – 9:30am**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
 Sacred Heart, SATURDAY 5:00pm before Mass  
 St Barnabas, SUNDAY 8.00am before Mass



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

**Week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Mass Book Page 127**

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5**

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm: 96 Response: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia God called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia.**

**Gospel: John 2:1-11**

<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b> <b>5.30pm</b>	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> January) Holy Mass – Peace Day	Donor's Intention
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>  8:30am <b>St Barnabas, Hawkhurst</b>	Holy Mass – Peace Day	Thanksgiving for the safe release from kidnappers of Sr Vincentia Maria and Sr Grace Mariette.
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b> 10:30am <b>**Livestreamed</b> <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Holy Mass – Peace Day	Missa Pro Populo
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FATHER'S DAY OFF</b>	
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b> 6.00pm <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Holy Mass – Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr, Memorial	
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> 9:30am <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Holy Mass - Feria	Donor's Intention
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>		
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Holy Mass – Saint Francis de Sales Bishop and Doctor of the Church, Memorial	Moyra Baker RIP
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>5.30pm</b> <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Feast of the Conversion of St Paul - End of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Vigil Mass - <b>Sunday of the Word of God</b>	Maurice O'Connor RIP
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>08.30am</b> <b>St Barnabas, Hawkhurst</b>	Holy Mass - <b>Sunday of the Word of God</b>	Missa Pro Populo
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>10.30am **Livestreamed</b> <b>Sacred Heart, Goudhurst</b>	Holy Mass - <b>Sunday of the Word of God</b> <b>Followed by the Children's Concert.</b>	

## REFLECTION Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

In today's gospel passage from John 2: 1-12 we have the story of Jesus at the wedding at Cana, where at the behest of his mother, he performed his first miracle. I invite us to reflect on the joy and grace of having Jesus in your home.

There is the story of this young couple who bought their first house. In the main large sitting room, there was a large conspicuous space on the wall for a painting. The husband wanted a large, framed picture of their wedding, but the wife wanted a picture of the Divine Mercy they got as a gift from their parish priest. They argued over it for a while. The man wanted their wedding picture there because it was the first thing anyone entering the house would see. The same reason the wife wanted the Divine Mercy picture there. Remembering Matthew 10: 32, "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven", the man gave in. Family and friends who visited them never failed to comment about the striking impact the picture had on them. You feel the love and protection of the Lord in the presence of the picture and you are left with the conviction that Jesus was watching over all in the house.

Brothers and sisters, the presence of Jesus in your home, in your life always makes a difference, a positive difference! The young couple in today's gospel will certainly agree. They invited Jesus into their home, to their wedding, and his presence made all the difference. His presence not only gave them joy, but it also saved them from embarrassment. This was not the only miracle Jesus performed in people's homes. Remember,

In Mark 1: 31, Jesus went to the home of Peter and there, healed his mother-in-law.

In Mark 5: 41, Jesus went to Jairus' house and there, raised the dead daughter to life.

Do you have Jesus in your home? Does the crucifix or the picture or image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary have a prominent place in your home?

When you invite friends or family members to a meal, do you skip prayer before meal so as not to offend them? You wouldn't want to offend your guests, what about God?

Jesus assures us in Revelation 3: 20. "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will enter and dine with them, and they with me."

Brothers and sisters, Open the door of your home to Jesus, invite him into your home. He takes nothing good away from you but gives you everything that is noble, wonderful, joyful, and grace filled.

There is this beautiful prayer families frame and hang on their walls. It says, "Christ is the head of this house. The Unseen guest at every meal, and the silent listener to every conversation."

As you bring Jesus into your home, may you and your family feel his love and protection always. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Bible Reading: Gospel of Mark chapter 16. ( Last Chapter of Mark's Gospel.) If anyone has any questions, please contact Father Ethelbert by email or phone.
2. If there are any candidates for First Holy Communion this year, please will you contact the Parish Office.
3. After her many years of organising the Lent Lunches, Jean has sadly hung up her apron. Therefore, we should be really grateful if someone could lend a hand, to help with this worthy and enjoyable event. Please contact Lizzi after Mass at Hawkhurst or at the Parish Office. Thank you, Jean, for all the years you have been doing this.
4. The final total for the **Autumn Fair is £1,254.29** having deducted all costs. A big thank you to everyone.
5. **Please Note: There will be building works commencing the last week in January on the entrance to Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst. We will try to limit any disruption to the daily Masses during this time.**
6. Archbishop John Wilson has written a new book entitled **The Romero Rosary**. With introductory chapters about St Oscar Romero and the rosary, this beautiful and creative new book contains reflections on the traditional mysteries of the rosary (*Joy, Light, Sorrow & Glory*) and the **NEW Romero Mysteries** (*Charity, Compassion and Mercy, & Justice and Peace*) - all illumined for reflection and prayer by the words of St Oscar Romero. The book is available from Pauline Bookshops and online at [www.paulineuk.org](http://www.paulineuk.org). The Archbishops warmly invites everyone to the book launch on **Wednesday 12 February 2025 at 6.00 for 6.30pm** at **Amigo Hall, adjacent St George's Cathedral, Southwark, South London. SE1 7HY.**



**Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family, Jenny Doyle, Chris Davis and Alison McKenna**

## ANNIVERSARIES

† Please pray for the repose of the Souls of France Dorothy Billson, Mary Degutis, Phil Heart, Canon Joe Callinan, Kit Wilkinson, Eric Tanzer, Vivienne Peach, Kate Warr, Christopher Graves, Ted Myles, Maire Brongor, Maire Dee, Frederick Rushmore, Barry Mort, Paul Hendrickx, Audrey Martine and Elaine Martin. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, May they rest in Peace.*

## ONLINE DONATIONS

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