



**Parish of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Goudhurst TN17 1DN
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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

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)
SUNDAY, 22nd JUNE 2025**

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 110: 1,2,3,4. Response: You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Sequence

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia I am the living bread that came down from
heaven, says the Lord, If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. Alleluia**

Gospel: Luke 9:11-17

Saturday 21st 5:30pm Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Vigil Mass 2nd Collection Day for Life	
Sunday 22nd 8:30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Holy Mass 2nd Collection Day for Life	Repose of the Soul of Rowena Bennett
Sunday 22nd 10:30am Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Holy Mass 2nd Collection Day for Life	Missa Pro Populo
Monday 23rd	FATHER'S DAY OFF	
Tuesday 24th 6.00pm Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Holy Mass – The Nativity of St John the Baptist, Solemnity	
Wednesday 25th 9:30am Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	Holy Mass – Feria	
Thursday 26th		
Friday 27th 9:30am Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Holy Mass	
Saturday 28th 5:30pm Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES, SOLEMNITY Vigil Mass 2nd Collection Peter's Pence	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday 29th 8:30am St Barnabas, Hawkhurst	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES, SOLEMNITY Holy Mass 2nd Collection Peter's Pence	
10.30am Sacred Heart, Goudhurst	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES, SOLEMNITY Holy Mass 2nd Collection Peter's Pence	

REFLECTION - Solemnity of Corpus Christi

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. In the Eucharist Christ gives us himself; he nourishes us with his body and blood so that we can draw life from him just as he draws life from the Father. As he says explicitly about the life-giving power of the Eucharist, "I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever."

In approaching the Eucharist, we must always remember that the Eucharist is not an "ordinary bread". It is the body and blood of Christ under the appearance of bread and wine. When we receive the Eucharist in this spirit and treat it as such, it makes a huge difference in our life. For the Eucharist to have maximum impact we must receive it with faith; we must look beyond the bread and perceive it as truly the body and blood of Christ. Making that transition is an act of faith and as we act in faith, its reality takes firm root in us.

As we celebrate the solemnity of the Corpus Christi today, we have a great opportunity to examine our attitudes towards the Eucharist. Do I really believe that what I receive is the body and blood, soul, and divinity of Christ under the appearance of bread and wine? If I truly believe this, do I treat the Eucharist with the respect it deserves as the body and blood of Christ?

The Eucharist is our source of nourishment. If we receive it in a state of grace and approach it with due reverence, we will grow from strength to strength and be drawn more and more into communion with Christ and with Christ leading us into each occasion and situation we have enough resources to deal with the challenges of life.

Lord, thank you for the gift of your body and blood. Help me to always receive the Eucharist with gratitude and appreciation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Rowena Bennett on 19th June. She fought the good fight with fortitude, courage and laughter. May her soul rest in eternal peace.
2. Bible Reading: Gospel of Luke 22. If anyone has any questions, please contact Father Damian by email or phone.
3. Please note that **Friday 27th June is The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**, Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Goudhurst at 9.30am preceded by Adoration/Rosary commencing 09.00am.
4. Please pray for Gemma, Isabel, Maria and Santi who will receive their First Holy Communion on **Sunday 29th June at the 10.30am Mass**. "May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy of his life within you."
5. Unfortunately, The Day for Life collection was not taken on Sunday 15th June. Therefore, there will be a second collection this **Saturday/Sunday 21st June**. Please accept our apologies for this oversight. The proceeds provide core funding for the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other life related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in a field determined by the theme of the year.
6. Peter's Pence 2nd collection will be on **Saturday/Sunday 29th June**. This collection helps to produce the means which the Holy Father and the Apostolic See need to exercise works of mercy and charity and its service of the Universal Church.
7. Please will you inform Father Damian 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.

Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family, Marion Weeks, Geaft Weeks, Jenny Doyle, Chris Davis, Jasmin Cameron and Vilma Fernandez.

ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the repose of the Souls of Marie Dowling, Ann Hawker, Claud Hosking, Brian Hughes, Marie Louise Chamberlain, Joseph Cooney, John Ranger Brian Doherty, Lily Doherty, Grace Smith, Robert Wonters and Ila Burton. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*

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