Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sun 8.00 am

9.30 am Family Mass

11.15 am Sung Mass

5.45 pm

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs 7.30 & 10.00 am

Wed 7.30 am, 12.30 pm,

7.30 pm Extraordinary Form (1st Wed monthly ONLY)

4.30 pm Burrswood (2nd Wed monthly ONLY)

7.30, 10.00 am & 7.30 pm

Sat: 8.00 and 10.00 am

Reconciliation

Sat 10.30-11.30 am. 4.30 - 5.15 pm Also by appointment.

Mass in the Extraordinary Form

Restarts this week Wed 6th Feb at 7:30

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Prayer

Benediction with Evening Prayer of the

Church. Sunday 4.00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - 6.30 am - 8.00 pm

Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am -1.00 pm

Friday 6.30am - 9.00pm

Morning Prayers

Monday- Friday 7.00am, Saturday 7.40am

Rosary

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri after 10.00 am Mass

ROSARY INTENTION

For our twin parish of Kompong Thom that they may care for and enjoy the fruits of God's creation here on earth.

Monday - Friday the church is usually open from 6.30am until at least 8.00pm.

Prayer Groups

Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -

Blessed Sacrament

Tues, 8.00 pm - Church Charismatic Christian Tues, 2.15 pm- MR3

Meditation

Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3

Prayers

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

If you are going into hospital and would like a priest to visit you during your stay it is essential that you let one of the priests know. Tunbridge Wells hospital and many other hospitals do not inform us when Catholic patients are admitted.

Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed. Contributions to:

newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

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ST AUGUSTINE'S **NEWS** 10th February 2019



Adore and Entrust yourself by Fr Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ



Do not worry about the value of your life, its disorderliness and deceptions, or the possible obscurity and gloom the future may have in store.

You are doing what God wants.

In the very heart of your worries and dissatisfactions, you are offering him the sacrifice of a heart that has been humbled and which, in spite of everything, inclines before an austere Providence.

It matters little whether, in the depths of your being, you feel the heavy tendency to let yourself be weighed down by sadness at the sight of your failings. It matters little whether, humanly speaking, you feel you have 'spoiled' your life when, as for God, he judges it successful and just as he would wish.

Little by little, Our Lord makes you his conquest and takes you to himself.

Adore, and offer God your life which, to you, appears ruined by circumstances: what more beautiful homage than this loving renunciation of what one could have been! Blindly let go of yourself in trust: Our Lord wants to make you worthy of himself and he will manage it, even if you remain in the dark up to the end, provided that you always hold onto his hand... and the more you are disappointed, the sadder you may feel, the tighter you should hold it.

In a word, I tell you, be happy. Be at peace. Be untiringly gentle.

Never let anything astonish you, neither your physical weariness, nor your moral failings.

Learn to have a smile always on your lips - a smile which reflects that of Our Lord who wants to act through and to 'take over' all you do. Above all else, in the depth of your being, place as the unchanging base of all activity (as the criterion of the value and the truth of the thoughts which fill your mind) the peace of God.

Whatever makes you tense or agitated is false: all the laws of life and the promises of God are there to prove it.

Since your action should have effects which are wide and long lasting, it should spring from a heart which has suffered: this is the rule - a sweet and gentle one really. Whenever you feel sad... adore and entrust.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Ps Wk 1 PARISH MASS BOOK Readings: from page 135 Preface: from page 68

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW AND UNDERSTAND YOUR BIBLE?

From February a rare opportunity to participate in an eight week journey in discovering the greatness of the Bible. Each week will cover one of the major periods in Salvation History from Genesis to the Resurrection of Jesus.

The journey aims at providing an integral understanding of the whole Bible in all its richness for the strengthening of our faith and spiritual development.

To be led by our resident Seminarian Matthew and assisted by one of our Priests.

When: Each week for eight weeks on a Monday evening and repeated

on a Wednesday afternoon

Dates: Monday 25th February to April 15th and repeated Wednesday 27th February to 17th April.

Time: Monday evenings at 8pm repeated Wednesday afternoon at 1.30pm

Place: St Augustine's Church Hall.

DVD showing - "The Virgin Mary at Medjugorje" Saturday 9th March, after 10 o'clock Mass in the Hall

In 1981 the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in this little village, then in Communist Yugoslavia, to six children aged 10 to 16 years. She has appeared every day since then and still appears daily to three of them. All are now in their fifties and, in the face of great pressures, have never faltered in their account. Her messages are of great concern for the world. "Peace, Peace, Peace..." "....I have come to tell the world that God exists..."

"....Through fasting and prayer one can stop wars, one can suspend the laws of nature....." And hundreds more and she gives us the only solution in her continuing monthly messages asking for the world to turn to God.

There is a showing of a DVD (not shown before) covering testimonies and interviews with the visionaries on Saturday 9th March after the 10.00am Mass.

Desperate Journeys coming to Tunbridge Wells

Desperate Journeys, a powerful immersive experience launched last year to give people an understanding of the global refugee crisis, is coming to Tunbridge Wells. An information meeting is scheduled to be held at 3.00pm on Saturday 16th February in Royal Victoria Place. For more information please see www.empathyaction.org/tag/desperate-

journeys

The Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham

This Tour is coming at a very important time in our nation's history. Each event has moments of silence, devotions, Mass, Adoration, powerful intercession, also the invocation of the Saint and Martyrs of England and Wales.

The Tour is scheduled to be at St. George's Cathedral Southwark, on Thu 21st to Sat 23rd February 2019.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again: for forgiveness has risen from the grave!"

St. John Chrysostom

RETREATS

The dates below are fixed for our two retreats this year. We are not taking bookings as yet but are giving you advance notice of the dates:

Douai Abbey will be from 16-19 July. Walsingham will be from 10-14 Nov. We look forward to you joining us.

LADIES LUNCH AND PRAYER GROUP

2019 our Twenty-Sixth Anniversary Mass MONDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2019 12.15pm for 12.30 start

For our next meeting we hope to have our Annual Mass in the Hall. We pray with thanksgiving for all the friendship, love and support that we obtain from our Prayer Group and other members within the community.

We look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

New members are always very welcome, just come along.

An invitation to join our Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

6th - 13th May 2019 Flights, full accommodation £549 Further details – Mike Southern 07702 082907 or michael.southern@me.com.

CLEAN ALBS FOR OUR SERVERS

Would some parishioners volunteer to take some albs home to wash about once a month. The albs are synthetic and if put on a hanger to dry, don't even need ironing. Couldn't be easier.

IT WOULD BE A GREAT HELP.

Please contact the parish office.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 10th Fifth Sunday Yr C Wk 1 6:45pm Meeting for Confirmation Candidates & Parents – Hall

OUTREACH Kompong Thom Cambodia
We have been twinned with Kompong
Thom. A community of four small villages
in Cambodia, since 1997. We help raise
money for various projects, and support
the Catholic community generally.
Fr Peter & some parishioners have just
returned from a visit.

MONDAY 11th Our Lady of Lourdes

TUESDAY 12th 4:15pm FHC Classes - Hall

THURSDAY 14th
Ss Cyril (Monk) & Methodius (Bishop)
SATURDAY 16th
10:00am Marriage Preparation Day Hall

SUNDAY 17th Sixth Sunday Yr C Wk 2 OUTREACH - Racial Justice Sunday is seen as an opportunity for all Christians to join together in:

- Reflecting on the importance of racial justice
- · Thanksgiving for human diversity
- Prayer for an end to misunderstanding, racism and injustice

Action that truly makes a difference.

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