

# Mass Times

## Sunday Masses

Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass  
Sun 8.00 am  
9.30 am Family Mass  
11.15 am Sung Mass

## 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)  
Fri 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 6-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 before 10.00 am Mass

## ROSARY INTENTION

For those suffering from terminal illnesses and for their families, that they may be cared for and comforted.

Monday - Friday the church is usually open

## Prayer Groups

Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -  
Blessed Sacrament  
Charismatic Tues, 8.00 pm - Church  
Christian Tues, 2.30 pm- MR3  
Meditation  
Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3  
Prayers

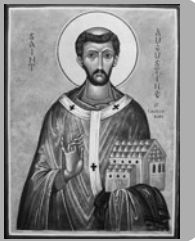
## GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

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.  
Newsletter can also be printed off the website - <http://www.st-augustine.co.uk/newsletters.php>

# ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

3rd February 2019



## AMEN - by Jean Dunne

We use this word after every prayer. It is found 30 times in the Hebrew Bible and even more times in the New Testament. The Jews and the Moslems are also familiar with it. The meaning of Amen is "I agree" or "So be It" Do we think of the meaning each time we use it? During the Mass it is said after many of the prayers, by the Priest and the People.

When the Priest and Deacon hold up the Sacred Host and the Precious Blood and say what is called the Doxology, (Through Him, With Him, and In Him, O God Almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever) We say what is known as the 'Great Amen'. This Amen should never be mumbled, a former PP told us it should be said with real feeling, never whispered.

When we receive Holy Communion, we are replying to the words 'Body of Christ' and 'Blood of Christ' so that our Amen is affirming our belief in whom we are receiving . We are saying Yes! I really believe truthfully this is Jesus my Saviour!  
So let us be very thoughtful each time we say Amen!  
Not just a murmur, but a really positive word and sound. **'AMEN'**.

## PRAYERS to OUR LADY

At this time of great chaotic uncertainty, in the nation and throughout the world, a group of parishioners have decided, as individuals united in a concerted prayer, to undertake the The Consecration to Our Lady, in the tradition of St. Louis de Montfort, "To Jesus through Mary" and to ask for her intervention. It involves just thirty three daily readings and simple private prayer on the thoughts of St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Mother Teresa, St. John Paul II and culminates in our consecration and trust in our Blessed Mother.

It is planned to start on 20th February and to make the Consecration on 25th March, The Feast of the Annunciation, either collectively or privately if that is your preference.

A free handout booklet and guide will be available shortly.

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C Ps Wk 4**  
**PARISH MASS BOOK**  
**Readings: from page 132**  
**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.

### **CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Is an organisation which helps single Catholics of over 18 years meet other single Catholics, For further information tel. 0161 941 3498 or visit: [www.catholicingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicingles.org.uk)

### **Catholic Radio needs funds**

We're a not-for-profit Catholic online Radio. Our Mission is to celebrate our Catholic Faith – and bring the joy and comfort of Our Lord to our listeners, especially those confined to their homes and unable to attend Mass or other parish activities. See website: <http://www.heavensroadfm.com/listen-now/>

### **Knock Shrine Weekend Pilgrimage 16th March 2019.**

£599.00 per person sharing.  
Price includes flight, taxes, transfers, 4 nights' DBB in Knock House Hotel.  
All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included.  
Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel.  
Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

### **Desperate Journeys coming to Tunbridge Wells**

Desperate Journeys, a powerful immersive experience, crafted to help give people an understanding of the global refugee crisis launched last year is now coming to Tunbridge Wells.

It runs for about 90 minutes including a reflective discussion at the end and each run can take up to 30 people.

The maze-like set will be created in an empty shop in Royal Victoria Place from mid-February to the end of March.

We will be holding an information meeting on Monday 28 January at 19.30 at our offices 28 Church Road, Tunbridge Wells

### **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**

"Too many people get credit for being good, when they are only being passive. They are too often praised for being broadminded when they are so broadminded they can never make up their minds about anything."

**Fulton J. Sheen**

## **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 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

**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.

### **Parish Bereavement Ministry Training**

9th March 2019

Aylesford Priory Aylesford, Kent,  
ME20 7BX

Intended for laity and clergy who are presently active in the ministry to the bereaved. Participants should be recommended by Fr Peter.

The course is organised by Southwark Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Team. Presented by Elizabeth Partridge (Marriage and Family Life Team).

More information, including booking, is available from

Elizabeth Partridge 01303 670880  
[mflbereavement@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflbereavement@rcaos.org.uk)

## **THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> Fourth Sunday Yr C Ps Wk 4**

**6.45pm Confirmation Class – Hall**  
**Outreach Hospice in the Weald**, which is the leading specialist end of life care provider for the communities of West Kent and North-East Sussex. The Hospice is not part of the NHS but is a local charity and offers varied, integrated services for people with life limiting illnesses, their carers and families. See: <http://www.hospiceintheweald.org.uk>

**TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> St Agatha**

**12 noon Richard Wenham Memorial Mass - Church**

**12 noon Tuesday Lunch Club - Hall**

**4:15pm First Holy Communion Class - Hall**

**8:00pm FHC Parents meeting - Church**

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> St Paul Miki & Companions**

**2:30pm Bible Study - MR3**

**SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup>**

**8:45am First Holy Communion Class - Hall**

**2:30pm Polish Catechism - Hall**

**4:00pm First Holy Communion Class – Hall**

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> Fifth Sunday Yr C Ps Wk 1**

**6.45pm Confirmation Class - Hall**  
**Outreach Kompong Thom Cambodia** We have been twinned with Kompong Thom, a community of four small villages in Cambodia, since 1997. We help to raise money for various projects and support the Catholic community generally. Fr.Peter & some parishioners had just returned from a visit.