



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET

COVID-19 APP

We are encouraging parishioners who have a smart phone to download the NHS Covid-19 App in order to check in when attending Mass and other church activities. Just scan the QR code at the entrance of the church. If you cannot download the App a steward will take your details as usual.

To download the App please follow steps below.

1. Go to the phone App Store and type in "NHS COVID-19" to search for the App.
2. You will see a list of results. Select the App with the name "NHS COVID-19 App".
3. Tap on Install to start downloading.

Job Opportunity- Shrine of St. Augustine, Ramsgate

The Shrine of St Augustine, Ramsgate, is seeking to appoint a practicing Catholic as Visitor Centre Manager with effect from September 2021. The contract is for two years initially. The salary is £15k p.a. An interest in heritage and administrative experience would be an advantage. To express an interest in the post please contact office@augustineshrine.co.uk.

Priest Training Fund – Thank you

Roisin McLaughlin, Head of Fundraising of our Diocese has written to acknowledge the receipt of a cheque of £225 as our contribution to the Priest Training Fund. They are sincerely thankful for this gesture. Your prayers and donations will have a tremendous impact on the formation of our Seminarians and their eventual priestly service in the parishes of our Diocese.

Confession

(Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Please speak to Father Joe in person or email/phone the office to make an arrangement.



Saturday 29th May

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

People of the Parish

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 30th May

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Frieda Murray RIP

Mass 10.30am

Wednesday 2nd June

Feria

Anthony Antonioni RIP

Mass 10am

Friday 4th June

Feria

Evelyn Charasse RIP

Mass 10am

Saturday 5th June

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Private Intention

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 6th June

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

People of the Parish

Mass 10.30am

SUNDAY PLUS

Never alone

With us always

by Paul Higginson

Much of what we experience in life is fleeting – it comes and goes. Our childhood, our schooling, our working life, our health and even, of course, our looks! So many things are transient – including some of our relationships. Many people come in and out of our lives, some of them very dear to us. We may even find that God comes in and out of our life, in the sense that sometimes we might feel close to him and at other times very distant. We may go through periods when we stop believing altogether. Yet Jesus says: "Know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last. He has always been and always will be. Even when we stop believing in

him, he will never stop believing in us. God loves things by becoming them. God became human in Jesus and promises to be with us always, and love us, whoever we are, and whatever we have done.

The love of God and the presence of Jesus is not a transient, fleeting thing and it does not depend on our goodness or faithfulness. It is constant and lasts for ever. What we do with that unconditional love

is another matter. Jesus' instruction to us in the Gospel today is to go out and spread the love we have been given "to all nations". Not so easy perhaps, but make a start with those you meet today.

Having recently retired from teaching, Paul Higginson is a catechist at the Sacred Heart Church in Budbury.

Together in peace

by Christine Clark

Jane was at one of those crossroads times of life. The family needed to move for her husband's new job, uprooting from everything that was familiar: house, schools, her job, friends and neighbours. Feeling anxious about what lay ahead, Jane wore a long face and a worried frown as she went to collect the children from school. As she waited at the school gates, a woman she had seen before but never spoken to approached her and pressed a small card into her hand. Jane looked at the card. It said, "Jesus said, I am with you always." Jane read it and stuffed it into her bag, too embarrassed to do anything

but acknowledge it. As she walked home with the children, she thought about it. A voice came into her head from nowhere: "It'll be all right. Don't forget I'll be there with you." Things didn't seem so daunting after all.

Christine Clark is a retired member of the editorial staff of Redemptorist Publications.

"We are united by the new commandment that Jesus left us, by the pursuit of the civilisation of love and by passion for the kingdom that the Lord calls us to build with him. We are united by the struggle for peace and justice."

Pope Francis

Together in love

by James Gallogly

Thanks to the wonders of modern technology we have never been so well-connected. We have all become familiar with Zoom. We can FaceTime each other whenever we want from wherever we are. There are endless apps to meet each other (although some encounters can lead to sin). Why is loneliness such a curse then?

Sociologists and psychologists will have their opinions. Today's readings certainly do. As children of God we are never alone.

In the prison system Listeners are trusted peers. They are Wing-based Samaritans who patiently hear the pain of their neighbours. There is no place for reticence.

Jesus is our Listener, welcoming

us, no matter how we present. With him this is not a stopgap triage, a brief intervention. This is the love of our Saviour. Like his startled disciples we need to embrace the message. He is with us, "yes, to the end of time."

James Gallogly is a lay chaplain in a UK prison.

Blessed Trinity, teach us to be one with you. Be with us in all of life's ups and downs, successes and failures, joys and sorrows. Amen.

Today:
Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Romans 8:14-17
Matthew 28:16-20

Monday:
Zephaniah 3:14-18 or
Romans 12:9-16
Luke 1:39-56

Tuesday:
Tobit 2:9-14
Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday:
Tobit 3:1-11, 16-17
Mark 12:18-27

Thursday:
Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1, 9-14; 8:4-9
Mark 12:28-34

Friday:
Tobit 11:5-17
Mark 12:35-37

Saturday:
Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20
Mark 12:38-44

Next Sunday:
Exodus 24:3-8
Hebrews 9:11-15
Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

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