

**24/25 SEPTEMBER  
2022**

**PARISH OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL  
FAVERSHAM AND SURROUNDING VILLAGES**

**WHITEFRIARS, 35 TANNERS STREET, FAVERSHAM ME13 7JW**

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY DAY FROM 8AM – 7PM VIA THE SHRINE OF ST JUDE, ACCESSED FROM THE CAR PARK BEHIND THE CHURCH



**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY YEAR C**



**PRAYER AND MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK**

**Morning Prayer 9.40am Monday – Saturday**

**Evening Prayer 6.00pm Monday - Friday**

<b>OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM Saturday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Donohoe Family</b>
	<b>6.00PM Arnold Vaz RIP</b>
<b>26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY YEAR C Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.00AM People of the Parish</b>
	<b>10.30AM John Cranswick RIP</b>
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Donors of Youth 2000</b>
<b>ST VINCENT DE PAUL Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Peter Allies RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Bishop Philip Egan (Anniversary)</b>
<b>THE ARCHANGELS Thursday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Brian McCabe RIP (3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary)</b>
<b>ST JEROME Friday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Jude D'Suza</b>
<b>ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS Saturday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM Ashley &amp; family</b>
	<b>6.00PM Fr Paul</b>
<b>27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY YEAR C Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>9.00AM People of the parish</b>
	<b>10.30AM Family intentions</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Annette Wiggins, Molly Barret, Olivia Durkin, Richard Murray, Janet Daly, Louise Marshallsay, Peter Greene, Patrick Mongan, Maureen Watters, Jerry McDonagh, Brigid Rowe, Martin Hayes, Betty Bushell, Ralph George, Nell Goodwin, Ann Rake, Sammy, Shelagh Bradley, Margaret Bridgen, Bill and Millie Castelino, Wendy Coley, Bob Costa, Ted Davis, Ian Davison, Michael Earls, Lucas Harmsworth, Gladys Hatch, Barnaby Marchant, Terry Newbery, Gail O'Connor, Joan O'Sullivan, Julian Philips, Lola Rinvoluceri, Mario Rinvoluceri, Ginny & Richard Woodroofe and Paul Williams. **AND OTHERS FOR WHOM WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PRAY** including Martin (mental health), Zac Dempsey; Ruby & Chris; McCarthy & Donovan family; Dean Draper & family

**PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY,** including Mary O'Brien, Chinh Tran, Valerie Morris, Jenny Martin, Roz Harnett, Damien Murphy, Fr Malachy Steenson CP (Herne Bay), Christopher Oldfield, Sylvia Davis, Nancy Dalgarno **as well as those whose anniversaries are around this time, including** Fr Wilfrid McGreal, O.Carm., Fr Piet Wijngaard, O.Carm., Helen Wilkinson, Brian McCabe, Peter Allies, Patrick Lambe, Hilda Mansfield, Eleanor Hart, Carlos Adolfo Martinez, Arthur Rudman, Thomas Meek and Debra Cameron-Miller

**May they and all the faithful departed through the mercy of God  
rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.**

This week's scripture readings can be found at

<https://universalis.com/europe.english.southwark/20220925/mass.htm>

Sign-up for the parish news email: [www.whitefriarsfaversham.org](http://www.whitefriarsfaversham.org)

**Harvest Festival Weekend – collection for Foodbank and Women's Refuge this weekend.**

**Thank you.**

**PRAYERS PLEASE.** Please keep in your prayers those who have died, remembering this weekend Mary O'Brien, mother of Kathleen who died on Thursday evening after a short illness. We remember too Fr Wilfrid whose third anniversary was Friday 23rd and Fr Piet whose 6th anniversary is next Friday. May they, and all the faithful departed rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

**FOODBANK /WOMEN'S REFUGE** As many of you will know, the parish has supported both the local foodbank, based in the Gospel Mission, and the Sittingbourne Women's Refuge with donations of food and toiletries over the years. Like many other good initiatives, this stopped during the pandemic. We feel that the time is now right to begin this again and we will make an initial appeal for support at the end of September when the Church celebrates Harvest thanksgiving. Please keep this in mind when you do your weekly shopping and if you can add a little extra (non-perishable food, women's toiletries) they will be gratefully accepted.

**WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES** The Church has been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR) since 1914. It's always an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move; to pray for them as they face many challenges; and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. In his message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, the pope said history showed that new arrivals played a "fundamental role" in social and economic growth. "This continues to be true in our own day. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm, and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them," he wrote. "Yet this contribution could be all the greater were it optimized and supported by carefully developed programs and initiatives. Enormous potential exists, ready to be harnessed, if only it is given a chance." The World Day of Migrants and Refugees, instituted in 1914 by Pope Pius X, is celebrated annually on the last Sunday in September. The theme of the 108th World Migrant and Refugee Day is "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees."

**FIRST COMMUNION** We will begin a new programme of First Holy Communion preparation in the autumn, subject to numbers. If you are interested, please let us know. The programme is aimed at children in year 4 of primary school or above. Thank you.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION.** The story Jesus tells in the Gospel is about a rich man, his five brothers and a poor man, and how their fortunes get reversed. The rich man does nothing particularly evil. He lives like a rich man, dresses like a rich man and dines like a rich man. But he does not see the poor man sitting at his door. He does not even notice him. The story is told against the background belief that riches were a sign of God's blessing. By the time of Jesus, the teaching of the prophets that blessing brings responsibility seems to have been forgotten. So the story asks the hearers: will they follow the example of the rich man or heed Jesus' teaching (and that of the prophets) about the care of the needy and prove themselves true children of Abraham and take their place at the eternal banquet? Injustice and greed breed violence and often result in the exploitation of the poor. As Pope Paul VI once said, "If you want peace, work for justice". We are not called to hoard God's blessings, but to be distributors of them so that all have a fair share of this world's goods and can live with dignity and respect.

### **OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY A COMMUNITY OF CARMELITE FRIARS**

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