

22ND / 23RD JULY
2023

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 – 6.30PM VIA THE SHRINE OF ST JUDE, ACCESSED FROM THE CAR PARK BEHIND THE CHURCH

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A



PRAYER AND MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer 9.00am Monday – Friday, 9.40am Saturday

Evening Prayer 6.00pm Monday to Friday

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT THE SUNDAY 10.30AM MASS EACH WEEK



SATURDAY 22 ND	10.00AM	Cavan Slate – health
	6.00PM	Mark Hammond RIP
SUNDAY 23 RD	9.00AM	People of the Parish
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY	10.30AM	Ailish O'Hagan - health
BL. JOHN SORETH MONDAY 24 TH	9.15AM	SM intentions
SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE TUESDAY 25 TH	12 NOON	Betty Bushell – 92 nd birthday
SS. JOACHIM AND ANNE WEDNESDAY 26 TH	9.15AM	Terence & Barbara Toolan
ST TITUS BRANDSMA THURSDAY 27 TH	9.15AM	Jacqui & Brian McCabe
FRIDAY 28 TH	9.15AM	Philomena Albuquerque RIP
SATURDAY 29 TH	10.00AM	Terence, Elizabeth and family
	6.00PM	Dennis Smith RIP
SUNDAY 30 TH	9.00AM	People of the Parish
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY	10.30AM	Dermot Sheerin RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Baby Sienna Bentley, Christine Benner, Richard Lane, John Regan, Peter & Jessie Duckworth, Tom Turner, Sarah Dean, Richard Murray, Janet Daly, Louise Marshallsay, Peter Greene, Patrick Mongan, Maureen Watters, Jerry McDonagh, Martin Hayes, Betty Bushell, Nell Goodwin, Ann Rake, Sammy, Shelagh Bradley, Bill and Millie Castelino, Wendy Coley, Bob Costa, Ted Davis, Ian Davison, Michael Earls, Lucas Harmsworth, Gladys Hatch, Barnaby Marchant, Gail O'Connor, Joan O'Sullivan, Julian Philips, Lola Rinvoluceri, Mario Rinvoluceri, Ginny & Richard Woodroffe and Paul Williams. **AND ALL FOR WHOM WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PRAY** including Helen & Valerie, Christine (health), Rosie and her children. **PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY**, including Robert Eddings, John Longfield, Shirley Hawkes, Clive & Pauline Adams, John Begg, Efsthathios Paraskevopolous, Kevin O'Hehir, Mike Trim, **AS WELL AS THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AROUND THIS TIME, INCLUDING** Denis Smith, William Nicolas, Roy Bampton, Jack Janes, Harold Rhodes, David Pendergast, Henry Harmsworth, Elinor Rhodes, John James Magill, Will Morgan, Doreen Vesey, Joan Galligan, Albert Smith, Andrew Costelloe, Alan Band, Roy Jolly, Mary Demomme, Victor Marsh, Dennis Smith and Michael Parter.

**MAY THEY AND ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE
AND RISE IN GLORY. AMEN.**

You can find Sunday's scripture readings here: <https://universalis.com/20230723/mass.htm>
Sign-up for the parish news email: www.whitefriarsfaversham.org

POPE FRANCIS has instituted a **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**. The theme of the third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is, "God's mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50) which takes us back to the joyful meeting between the young Mary and her elderly relative Elizabeth. Pope Francis in his message to people for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly asks young people to visit an elderly person stating that "their prayers will protect you and you will carry in your heart the blessing of that encounter." Our Sunday Masses will have special prayers for all grandparents and the elderly.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Congratulations to parishioner and Third Order Carmelite Betty Bushell who celebrates her 92nd birthday on Tuesday this week. We ask God's continued blessing on Betty and all her family.

TREASURER VACANCY Kent Workplace Mission, a Local Ecumenical Partnership of Churches Together in Kent, is a registered charity. They provide chaplains in the workplace and are mostly comprised of volunteers. They have Trustee representation from a wide variety of denominations - Anglican, Catholic, Methodist, Salvation Army, United Reformed Church. They are seeking a Volunteer Treasurer - see the advert at the back of the church for more information.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST If you are a commissioned extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, and would like to exercise your ministry at our weekend Masses, please let me know. We will create a new rota of ministers soon. Thank you to those who volunteer at the moment - it is greatly appreciated by all. If you would like to be commissioned as an extraordinary minister, please let me know too

SPIRITUAL READING LIBRARY Thanks to a generous donation from a parishioner, we have a bookcase of religious themed books at the top of the stairs to the Shrine. Feel free to browse and borrow a book or two and indeed to leave any of your own spiritual books there that you would like to pass on to others.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society) Faversham Conference (Branch) has been established in our parish for quite a number of years and, while every conference across the country and beyond is unique, our mission is the same, to seek and find those in need and to help them in the spirit of compassion and justice. As you can imagine, first with the pandemic and now with the energy and cost of living crises, the demands for our services have increased substantially. We are regularly receiving requests for energy top-ups and envisage the demand for these to increase greatly in the coming months. We also issue vouchers for the town's wonderful Food Bank and provide emergency food parcels. Requests for white goods are on the increase as well and, after carefully assessing the needs of beneficiaries, in recent months we have provided a number of fridge freezers, cookers and washing machines. Other important aspects of our work are such things as visiting the elderly, the lonely and the vulnerable in their homes and in care homes, and providing lifts to church, medical appointments etc. Ever since the SVP was established in the parish, it has received wonderful support from both our clergy and parishioners. Now, Fr. Kevin has very kindly agreed that the second collections at all Masses on the weekend of the 29th / 30th July should be devoted to the SVP and we would ask our fellow parishioners to be as generous as possible. Finally, if any parishioner would be interested in finding out more about our small and friendly group, either mention it to one of our members or leave a message on our answerphone (07563 702033). It really is rewarding work, seeking and finding those in need, giving our support with compassion, and responding where the need is greatest.

PARISH FAMILY DAY AND BBQ – thank you to all who made our family day last weekend such a great success. It took a lot of preparation and dedication behind the scenes and was greatly appreciated by all.

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY A COMMUNITY OF CARMELITE FRIARS

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