

22<sup>ND</sup> – 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2024

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



12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR B

PRAYER AND MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer 9.00am Monday – Friday, 9.40am Saturday  
Evening Prayer 6.00pm Monday – Friday

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

<i>Ss JOHN FISHER &amp; THOMAS MORE</i> <b>SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM</b> Miriam – birthday <b>6.00PM</b> Angela Band RIP
<b>SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup></b>	<b>9.00AM</b> People of the Parish
<b>12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR B</b>	<b>10.30AM</b> Margaret Conroy RIP (anniversary)
<i>THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST</i> <b>MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>9.15 AM</b> Rose O'Donoghue RIP
<i>SACRAMENT OF THE SICK</i> <b>TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>12NOON</b> Kieran Lowney – health
<b>WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>9.15 AM</b> Michael & Charlotte Fahy
<b>THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>9.15AM</b> Milo Fahy
<i>ST IRENAEUS</i> <b>FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>9.15AM</b> Rita Gilbert RIP
<b>SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>10.00AM</b> Sam – thanksgiving <b>6.00PM</b> People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>9.00AM</b> Donohoe family
<b>SAINTS PETER AND PAUL – YEAR B</b>	<b>10.30AM</b> Sarah Dean RIP

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Baby Sienna Bentley, Jade, Jules, Jo, Kieran Lowney, Kathy Hammond, Dillon, Michael Marsh, Zita Devis, Veronica Cole, Sean Blake, Tommy Gallagher, Paul Durkin, Linda LaDue, Levi Zimba, Peter & Jessie Duckworth, Tom Turner, Janet Daly, Louise Marshallsay, Peter Greene, Patrick Mongan, Maureen Watters, Jerry McDonagh, Martin Hayes, Betty Bushell, Nell Goodwin, Ann Rake, Sammy, Millie Castelino, Wendy Coley, Bob Costa, Ted Davis, Ian Davison, Lucas Harmsworth, 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 Matthew & Theresa, **PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY**, including Gerry Donohoe, Eugenia Amoah, Sarah Dean, Rita Gilbert, Margaret Griffin, **AS WELL AS THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AROUND THIS TIME, INCLUDING** Hugh McLaughlin, Kenneth Adams, Michael Noonan, Molly Reynolds, Margaret Conroy, Dorothy Underwood, Frances Feeney, Irene Ballard, Tim Dodwell, Sylvia Clements, Dilys Rycott and Kevin Moynihan. **WE ALSO PRAY FOR** peace in Ukraine and the Holy Land, all who are refugees and migrants, for the work of the foodbank, the outreach of the SVP in our parish, for the pilgrims to the Shrine of St Jude.

OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY A COMMUNITY OF CARMELITE FRIARS

KEVIN MELODY, PARISH PRIEST; PAUL DE GROOT, SHRINE CHAPLAIN; RICHARD COPSEY, PROVINCE HISTORIAN

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**PARISH FAMILY DAY AND BBQ – JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>** Yes, that time of year again! At the back of the church is a list of suggested items that we need for the day so please sign up for what you would like to bring along to share. But more importantly, bring yourself and your family & friends.

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** will be celebrated at Mass on Tuesday at 12 noon, followed by lunch in Carmel Hall – Thanks as always to the SVP for their generosity.

**CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK** CSAN have launched a number of resources to help Catholics inform their conscience and navigate the political landscape at this time, find more at [www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024](http://www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024) The Catholic Bishops have also offered some guidelines at [www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/)

**THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** preparation programme will begin in the autumn. If you have a child in year 4 or above who would like to join in, please let us know. Applications forms are now available. We are grateful to our catechists for their dedication to this ministry.

**REFUGEE WEEK** began on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and we will mark the week with special prayers at Masses this weekend.

**HOMES WANTED:** As I am sure you know, affordable accommodation in the Faversham area is in short supply. A couple of requests have come our way and if you know someone who can offer accommodation to a Ukrainian family of four, please let me know. Also, a 3 bedroomed home to rent is sought by a local family. If you are aware of anything suitable which may meet either of these needs, please let me know and I will pass on the information. Thank you.

**THE CHALLENGE OF LIVING OUR FAITH IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY** is taken up in a series of four conversations to take place over the next few weeks. Entitled 'Living Faith in the 21st Century' to be held in Carmel Hall, on Thursdays from 7-8.30 with a break for refreshments. This is an opportunity to share something of our thoughts and experience of living the Christian life in the modern world. Each week we will start by introducing the topic with a short presentation followed by discussion and questions.

Our forthcoming topics are:

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> -The impact of the internet 'the good the bad and the ugly'

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - 'The Church in the modern world and the Synod'

I do hope you will be able to come to at least some of these discussions and we will have a chance to get to know each other better. For more details, please see the poster at the back of the church.

**LIFE IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD** In Mark's Gospel the Kingdom is not something yet to come, it is a present reality. It is the presence and action (reign) of God among his people. Last Sunday Mark used two parables to talk about the reality of the Kingdom. Over the next few Sundays, he begins to talk about the mystery of the Kingdom present in Jesus and what living in the Kingdom requires. None of Mark's stories are about some awesome display of power. Mark's stories make it clear that Jesus is about saving human beings, healing them and calming hearts disturbed by life's storms. In Jesus is the power of life and liberation. Sudden storms on Lake Galilee were well-known and still happen today. Many of our 'boats' and those of our loved ones have been tossed about on turbulent seas since the sudden arrival of Coronavirus and everything that has happened since. Many of us know exactly the kind of fear and uncertainty that the disciples felt as they were tossed about in the darkness on the stormy lake in this Sunday's Gospel. Many may also feel that Jesus is asleep somewhere.

And yet, signs of Jesus are all about us: in people trying their best to look after others, to provide meals and shelter, to keep themselves and their loved ones safe, to work for peace in the midst of conflict to bring comfort and to pray. Vulnerability is an uncomfortable experience. Mark helps us understand that life in the Kingdom begins with faith and confidence in God especially in the midst of epic struggles which threaten to overcome us.

You can find Sunday's scripture readings here: [www.universalis.com/20240623/mass.htm](http://www.universalis.com/20240623/mass.htm) and

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

**Entrance Antiphon:** *The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.*

**Psalm response:** *O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever..*

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** *The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.*

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** *If you would like to make a donation to the work of the SVP in our parish, you can use their bank account. A/c number: 46075364 S/C: 60-60-04 SVP Faversham*