

10TH – 11TH AUGUST 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 – 8.30PM VIA THE SHRINE OF ST JUDE,
ACCESSED FROM THE CAR PARK BEHIND THE CHURCH



NINETEENTH SUNDAY YEAR B

PRAYER AND MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

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

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

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| ST LAURENCE SATURDAY 10TH | 10.00AM | Danielle Lai RIP |
| | 6.00PM | Costelloe family RIP |
| SUNDAY 11TH | 9.00AM | People of the parish |
| NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B | 10.30AM | Philomena – RIP |
| MONDAY 12TH | ----- | NO MASS TODAY |
| TUESDAY 13TH | 12NOON | Caroline & baby |
| WEDNESDAY 14TH | 9.15 AM | Elizabeth Toolan – wedding anniversary |
| THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY | 9.15 AM | Stephen and Josefa Briton |
| THURSDAY 15TH | 7.00PM | People of the Parish |
| FRIDAY 16TH | 9.15 AM | Max Weston |
| SATURDAY 17TH | 10.00AM | Maureen Houghton RIP / Jamie Houghton |
| | 6.00PM | People of the Parish |
| SUNDAY 18TH | 9.00AM | Andrew Tham RIP |
| TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF YEAR B | 10.30AM | Mary Therese Lynch RIP |

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Baby Sienna Bentley, Caroline S-S & baby, Jade, Jules, Jo, Kieran Lowney, Kathy Hammond, Dillon, Michael Marsh, Zita Devis, Veronica Cole, Sean Blake, Tommy Gallagher, Paul Durkin, Linda LaDue, Peter & Jessie Duckworth, Tom Turner, Janet Daly, Louise Marshallsay, Peter Greene, Patrick Mongan, 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 Peter Woods, Matthew & Theresa, Elizabeth Derrick, Kevin Lucas Malcolm & Betty Searchfield. **PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY**, including Levi Zimba, Graham Joiner Maureen Watters, Gerry Donohoe, Eugenia Amoah, Sarah Dean, **AS WELL AS THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AROUND THIS TIME, INCLUDING** Declan Melody, Amelia Stankovich, Eileen White, Solange Bruxelle, Brian Merrells, Anne Park, Patrick Muldoon, Irene Ring, Mary Byrne, Pauline Burrows and Yvonne Hulks. **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

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MONDAY MASSES – there will be no Monday morning Masses during August and September.

THURSDAY, 15TH AUGUST, is the Feast of the Assumption, a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 9.15am and 7.00pm.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who have died, including Levi Zimba and Graham Joiner. Graham was a printer in the St Jude's printworks for very many years before establishing his own business in Faversham. We keep them and their families and friends in our prayers. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

GRIEF IN LOSS - a weekend for those who have been bereaved will be held in Aylesford Priory from 4th - 6th October - details are on the poster at the back of the church.

HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI DAYS 2024 On the 6th and 9th August Pax Christi will again be marking Hiroshima and Nagasaki Days, remembering the terrible loss of life and destruction in those cities caused when the first atomic bombs were used by the US in 1945. Pax Christi will be holding vigils outside Westminster Cathedral, London on both days from 11.00am to 1.00pm and all are welcome to join them.

OUR 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.

THE ASSUMPTION Mary is our mother and more than that. She dreams of a different world for her children. That is, for us. We find her dream reflected in the beautiful canticle we read in today's Gospel. With the "Magnificat" millions of Christians throughout history have dreamed that it is possible to create a different world. They dreamed that God does exploits with his arm in favour of those who believe in him and that he gives them his mercy. Moreover, he turns what is normal in this world upside down: he scatters the proud, knocks down the powerful from their thrones, exalts the humble and fills the hungry and needy with good things. It is a dream that is very revolutionary. Not in vain in some Latin American countries, during the 60's, there was a government that banned it as "subversive".

Today we continue to recite this canticle of Mary. They may tell us that it is a dream, that it is nothing more than the wishes of a mother for her children. But it is not true. There is something else. Something very important. This dream is gradually becoming a reality among us. Why? For the simple reason that its realization does not depend on our efforts but on the mighty arm of God. That is the most important thing. It is God who is acting among us and making that dream come true. Mary did not have a simple dream. Mary had experienced God's presence in her life. She was pregnant and she believed that what she was carrying in her womb was the saviour promised by God of old. That is why her song is full of the strength of one who believes because she has seen and experienced.

If we open our eyes wide, we will also be able to see God's presence among us, changing people's hearts and filling this world with mercy. With Mary we believe and know that God is at work in our midst. And what was only a dream is becoming a reality.

You can find Sunday's scripture readings here: www.universalis.com/20240811/mass.htm and
Sign-up for the parish news email: www.whitefriarsfaversham.org

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Psalm response: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

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