

8TH & 9TH MARCH 2025

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
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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

PRAYER AND MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

MORNING PRAYER 9.00AM TUESDAY – FRIDAY; 9.40AM SATURDAY
EVENING PRAYER 6.00PM MONDAY - FRIDAY

SATURDAY 8 TH	10.00AM	Maude and Frances Coutet's intentions
	5.00-5.30PM	Confessions
	6.00PM	Maisey Sands RIP
SUNDAY 9 TH	9.00AM	Robert & Fletcher
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	10.30AM	People of the Parish
MONDAY 10 TH	-----	NO MASS THIS MORNING
TUESDAY 11 TH	12.00 NOON	Justin Park
WEDNESDAY 12 TH	9.15AM	David's health
THURSDAY 13 TH	9.15AM	John Wond RIP
FRIDAY 14 TH	9.15AM	Sam's health
SATURDAY 15 TH	10.00AM	Jonathan Holt – ill
	5.00-5.30PM	Confessions
	6.00PM	People of the Parish
SUNDAY 16 TH	9.00AM	Pat Burton – birthday intentions
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	10.30AM	Derek Flint RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Baby Sienna Bentley, James Roche, Jim Maher, Ellen Farren, Kathy Hammond, Dillon, Michael Marsh, Zita Devis, Veronica Cole, Sean Blake, Tommy Gallagher, Paul Durkin, 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 Woodroofe and Paul Williams. **AND ALL FOR WHOM WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PRAY** including Bridget Tierney & family, James, Peter Woods. **PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY**, including Sr Mary Tracy, Tom Whelan, Edith Maple, Achiel Akim Spincemaille, James Devine, Margaret Gilmartin, Mary Jane Kusnierz, Colm & Philip O'Toole, Sr Anne-Elizabeth, Marzia Bressan, Maureen Woods, Ron Glister, Paul Miguel Bright, Derek Flint. **AS WELL AS THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AROUND THIS TIME, INCLUDING** Bob Tunstall, Morna Shanahan, Brian Lewis, Frank Coleman, Nigel Hart, Monica Kesson, Susan Boodle, Ted Chapman, Jeremy Ellis, John Dobbyn, Hilda Thornes, Teresa Considine, William Allenspach, Kenneth Pender, Mary-Josephine Walsh, John McNamara and Kathleen Thompson **WE ALSO PRAY FOR** peace in Ukraine and the Middle East, 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

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PLEASE NOTE that Paul and I will be away from Sunday afternoon until Wednesday evening at some Carmelite meetings. Fr Peter Geldard will celebrate Mass on Tuesday at 12noon and Wednesday at 9.15am. The church will be open as usual, and our Lent **Quiet Prayer** will take place on Tuesday evening at 7.00pm in the side chapel.

LENT LUNCHESES Churches Together in Faversham are again this year organising the "Lent Lunches" in the Baptist Church Hall, each Friday of Lent until 11th April. You are invited to come along for a simple lunch of bread, soup and cheese for a suggested donation of £4. Proceeds this year will go to the "Cherish Families" project. On Friday, 11th April it will be the turn of our church community to organise the day so we need volunteers for a few hours between 11am and 2.00pm on the day. Please let us know if you could get involved.

LENT PRAYER During Lent we will, as in previous years, have a time of prayer on Tuesday evenings at 7.00pm, **beginning this week with Quiet Prayer**. Although Paul and I will be away, the church will be open (see above). In later weeks we will have Stations of the Cross, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a Taizé prayer evening. On Saturday 5th April, we will have a parish retreat day, led by the Carmelite Community, Reading. Full details are below.

GRIEF AND LOSS: A weekend for those who have been bereaved

This weekend takes place away from the pressures of day-to-day life and can help one begin to come to terms with bereavement. It is a time for quiet, prayer, talking and acceptance. Due to the special nature of this weekend retreat, held at Aylesford Priory, places are ordinarily limited and subject to a telephone call to determine if it is right for you. Dates for 2025: March 21-23 & October 10-12. For details phone 01622 717272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk

A FORWARD DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Parish Quiz Night Saturday 31st May 6pm - details to follow later.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE This year the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday, 28th June. The local parishes are looking at organising a coach trip so please let me know if you might be interested in joining. Departing at about 6am and returning about 9pm, the cost will be about £50 per person.

ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION DAY AT THE FRIARS, AYLESFORD 7 June 2025. Led by Archbishop John Wilson, we will gather as an Archdiocese at The Friars, Aylesford for a day of prayer, reflection, celebration, and fun. There will be lots of activities, for children as well as for adults. This will be the centre-piece event of the 2025 Jubilee in the Archdiocese of Southwark. There will also be a walking pilgrimage from St George's Cathedral in Southwark to The Friars (2-6 June 2025). The event itself is free. You can find out more about the event, including how to join the walking pilgrimage, and the wider Jubilee Year plans in the Archdiocese at rcaos.org.uk/jubilee2025

You can find Sunday's scripture readings here: www.universalis.com/20250309/mass.htm

Sign-up for the parish news email: www.whitefriarsfaversham.org

Entrance Antiphon: *When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.*

Psalm response: *Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Glory and praise to you, O Christ. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Glory and praise to you, O Christ.*

Communion Antiphon: *One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*