

26TH & 27TH APRIL 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



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR C

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

SATURDAY 26TH	9.00AM	Streaming of the funeral of Pope Francis
	5-5.30PM	Confessions
	6.00PM	Justin Park
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 27TH	9.00AM	People of the Parish
	10.30AM	Baby Richard John RIP
ST GEORGE MONDAY 28TH	----	NO MASS TODAY
ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA TUESDAY 29TH	12.00 NOON	Sam – health
		<small>SACRAMENT OF THE SICK</small>
WEDNESDAY 30TH	9.15AM	Justin Park
ST JOSEPH THE WORKER THURSDAY 1ST	9.15AM	Sarah Southworth – health
ST ATHANASIUS FRIDAY 2ND	9.15AM	Justin Park
SS PHILIP AND JAMES SATURDAY 3RD	10.00AM	Kitty Geary
	5-5.30PM	Confessions
	6.00PM	People of the Parish
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 4TH	9.00AM	Jude & Finley Fello
	10.30AM	Justin Park

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Baby Sienna Bentley, Sheelagh Campbell, Simon MacLaughlin, Barry Anderson, 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 Simon Maclachlan, Cordelia Megbele, Fr John O'Toole, Liz Grace, Veronica Murphy. **AS WELL AS THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AROUND THIS TIME, INCLUDING** Anthony West, Brian Lewis, Kathleen Earls, Jeanne Harvey, Joan Goodman, Joseph Park, Mary Martin, Bernard Jeffrey, Philip Ardizzone, Marie Maxwell, Hilda Galligan, Constance Vialls and Margaret Hex **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

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HAPPY EASTER Thank you to all of you who joined us for our Easter Triduum celebrations and in particular a huge thank you to all who enabled the liturgies to happen so beautifully: readers, musicians, servers and your very prayerful presence to one another. A special congratulations to those who were confirmed into our Church community at the Vigil. It is through the witness of each of you that others recognise the call of Christ to join the community of faith.



SIMON MACLACHLAN RIP Simon, known to many of you as a regular reader on Saturday evenings, died on Thursday after a short illness. We remember Simon and his family in our prayers. Details of his funeral service will be finalised soon. May he rest in peace.

EASTER LILIES Thanks to all who donated towards the purchase of the Easter Lilies. Your loved ones will be remembered at Masses during the Easter season. May they rest in peace. Their names are on display the front of the church and we keep them all in our prayers.

A MESSAGE FROM A PARISHIONER A family came and sat next to me at mass on Sunday, they live in Wimbledon. A lady, her son and his two young adult children. Apparently, her son and his wife have a second home in Selling which they were all at for the Easter weekend. The lady, Elizabeth turned to me at the end and said it was the loveliest service she'd ever attended and will definitely come again when she's back in Selling. She said she had never seen so many people at mass which was a clear reflection of how people felt about the church and parish. So well done all on such a wonderful service and making everyone feel part of our community.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK This coming Tuesday, 29th April, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick at the 12noon Mass, followed by lunch in Carmel Hall - as always, if you would like a lift to Mass or lunch, please let us know. Next month we will resume our time of **Quiet Prayer** on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, i.e. 6th & 20th May. On the first Friday after Mass until 10.15am and on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.00pm we will have **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**.

A MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE, July 12th 2025, at St George's Cathedral. If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know ASAP, and no later than the middle of May, giving: your names, your home address, your parish, & the anniversary celebrating. You will be sent an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during this Mass. Spaces are limited. Email: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk . Add subject of email - parish location e.g. Faversham

POPE FRANCIS: Millions of words have been spoken and written about Pope Francis in the last week. The following from an article in the Irish Examiner summed up something of his ministry:

In a world that is increasingly unstable, and is falling under the rule of people who seem to be obsessed with their own power, and moving more and more toward control over the lives of their people, Francis was a strong counter voice, constantly portraying a different type of leadership, one that was about love, care, justice, rather than oppression. He was a great defender of the poor, the migrant, and saw everybody as equal, and gave them all a welcome. But at the same time, he was always open to meeting world leaders of all shades of opinion, because he believed that progress was made not by excluding people but by meeting and talking to them. Care for our common home was central but perhaps his biggest legacy, if it becomes embedded in the future Church, is the process of synodality. The vision he had that members of the Church would be consulted on all matters that affected them is intended to dramatically change the way the church operates, by opening up the exercise of authority and decision making to lay people, and in that way reduce the control of the clerical caste over the Church.

<https://www.irishexaminer.com/opinion/commentanalysis/arid-41618119.html>

You can find Sunday's scripture readings here: www.universalis.com/20250427/mass.htm

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

Entrance Antiphon: Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

Psalm response: Give praise to the LORD for he is good, his mercy endures for ever.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. You believed, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.