

Local Notices

Easter Greetings: *May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a blessed and Holy Easter.*

Fr Mícheál

May Newsletter: Closing date for submissions is 12 noon on Wednesday, 29th April for publication 2/3 May.

Please pray for all our parishioners who are sick, in hospital or housebound, including Oliver, Pat, Kirsty, Michael & Geraldine and for those who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

Morning Prayer of the Church: Is prayed every morning at 9.30am in both our Churches (except Wednesdays). Why not download for free the Universalis App? All welcome.

Save the Dates:

Our SVP Conference will be organising fundraising events for projects in Sudan on 25th April and 3rd October. More details to follow.

Mass for the Sick: Saturday, 13th June at 11am at Holy Redeemer followed by lunch in the Hall. If you need a lift contact the parish office.

Wednesday Scripture Group will next meet on May 6th, 10.45am in the JFR - all welcome.

Hastings Foodbank: We have an opportunity to give help to our local neighbours in need. Please bring non-perishable items of food and anything needed for daily life. Our next collection of food and toiletry items at St. Thomas' Church for Hastings Foodbank will be prior to both weekend Masses on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th April 2026. Please contact Fidelis Okoliko on 07946689934 for further details.

The Parish Synodal Action Group invite you to come to our next meeting on Sat 25th April at 10.45-12noon at the Poor Clare Convent, 22, Upper Church Road (next to Holy Redeemer Church). All welcome.

Local Notices (Contd.)

There will be a Divine Mercy Service at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday 12th April at Holy Redeemer Church. The service will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Silent Adoration, Scripture Rosary and extracts will be read from the Diary of St Faustina.

Adoration: Will take a break, during the school Easter holidays, as follows: From Holy Thursday, 2nd April, until the week ending Saturday 18th April, there will be no Adoration in either church. Adoration will then resume on Tuesday 29th April at Holy Redeemer and Thursday 1st May at St Thomas'.

200 Club Results: The February draw was won by Diana Watts (No.96) who wins £40 and the draw for March was won by Cathy Brown (No.51) who also wins £40.

Sacraments

To find out more about the Sacraments please contact the Parish Office on 01424 602077 or email stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk

RCIA: Contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office to make an appointment to see me.

First Holy Communion Programme: 2026 Programme started registration now closed..

Confirmation Programme: 2026 Programme has started registration now closed.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment. One year's notice is required.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are going into Hospital for any medical reason & wish to be anointed, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office. The anointing of the sick is also administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness.

Collections

Weekly Offertory Collections:

Sunday 1 March £ 778.09

(GAD: £104.95)

Second Collection: £1233.51

Sunday 8 March £790.12

(GAD: £135.00)

Sunday 15 March £910.82

(GAD: £241.40)

Sunday 22 March £834.33 (GAD:

£182.00)

Sunday 29 March £989.58 (GAD:

£152.00)

Standing Orders:

January Total: £1377.50

February Total: £1312.50

CAFOD: The amount donated in the Lent Fast Day Appeal was £2123.51. Thank you so much and to those who donated online. £1050 of this total was Gift-aided. Middle East Humanitarian Appeal: CAFOD is supporting trusted local partners who are providing life-saving food, safe water, shelter and a mobile health clinic providing urgent healthcare. All donations in the CAFOD Red Box at STOC will now support this Appeal. Further details on the CAFOD page on the Parish website.

Our New Parish

The New Parish will be overseen by a Clergy Team, moderated by Fr Kevin Dring. The team will work closely with Hub Secretaries, Hub Leadership Groups and lay representatives to support pastoral planning, governance and the shared mission of the Parish.

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Catholic Parish of Eastbourne & St Leonards

Parish of the Good Shepherd

Churches of Holy Redeemer & St Thomas of Canterbury & English Martyrs

Parish Clergy: Parish Priest: Fr Mícheál Beatty miceal.beatty@abdiocese.org.uk & **Deacon:** Ian Moon

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Morning Prayer of the Church at 9.30am in both churches (except Wednesdays)

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

Saturday 4th April

St Thomas' 8pm Priest's Intention

Easter Sunday - The Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday 5th April

Holy Redeemer 9am Priest's Intention

St Thomas' 11am Priest's Intention

Second Collection: Clergy Easter Offering

Monday 6 April

NO HOLY MASS

Tuesday 7 April

NO HOLY MASS

Wednesday 8 April

NO HOLY MASS

Thursday 9 April

NO HOLY MASS

Friday 10 April

NO HOLY MASS

Saturday 11 April

NO 10AM HOLY MASS

Second 'Low' Sunday of Easter

St Thomas' 4pm Vigil Olive Goodman RIP

Sunday 12 April

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo

St Thomas' 11am Barbara Gower RIP

Monday 13 April

NO HOLY MASS

Tuesday 14 April

NO HOLY MASS

Wednesday 15 April

NO HOLY MASS

Thursday 16 April

NO HOLY MASS

Friday 17 April

NO HOLY MASS

Saturday 18 April

NO 10AM HOLY MASS

Third Sunday of Easter

St Thomas' 4pm Vigil Mass Timothy Coates RIP

Sunday 19 April

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo

St Thomas' 11am In Thanksgiving (MH)

Monday 20 April

NO HOLY MASS

Tuesday 21 April

NO HOLY MASS

Wednesday 22 April

NO HOLY MASS

Thursday 23 April

NO HOLY MASS

Friday 24 April

St Thomas' 10am Jack Baxter RIP

Saturday 25 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Barbara High RIP

Fourth 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter

St Thomas' 4pm Vigil Mass Janet & Patrick Coates RIP

Sunday 26 April

Holy Redeemer 9am Barbara High RIP

St Thomas' 11am Pro Populo

Second Collection - Education of Future Priests (GAD)

Monday 27 April

Holy Redeemer 10am M A Farrow & Family (Int)

Tuesday 28 April

Holy Redeemer 10am Fr's Thomas Hulhoven & Antony

Canning SCA RIP followed by Adoration & Holy Rosary

Wednesday 29 April NO HOLY MASS

Thursday 30 April

St Thomas' 10am Lynda Special Intention followed by

Adoration until 11.30am

Friday 1 May

St Thomas' 10am Paula Mary Strickon RIP

Saturday 2 May

Holy Redeemer 10am Florence Eden (F)

Fifth Sunday of Easter

St Thomas' 4pm Vigil Mass Carmella Paolozzi RIP

Sunday 3 May

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo

St Thomas' 11am Jean Luret RIP

The Sanctuary Lamps at St Thomas' & at Holy Redeemer for Peace in the Ukraine. Please pray for this intention.

The Office will be closed from Friday, 18th April reopening on Tuesday, 29th April.

LATEST PARISH UPDATE: As a Catholic community, a "community of communities", we're called to a life of discipleship: to follow Jesus, learn from him, become like him, and join him in his mission to love and serve others. In the journey of discipleship, we are always being invited to deepen our faith, hope and love. One of the key priorities for us as we continue to move forward together in the Church's Mission, is to look for all good ways to help everybody, of all ages, in our communities continue to deepen their Faith. As we enter the Season of Easter, we will begin to share through newsletters good and varied resources that you can access to help grow in your faith. Especially we pray for the many adults who will have been received into the Church with us at Easter. They are an inspiration for us all! – Fr Kevin

Contacts & Useful Information

For Hall booking enquiries, please contact Cathy on

07502482066 and leave a message or email

hallbookings@yahoo.co.uk. For further details regarding our

halls and hiring fees go to Hall Bookings at

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