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## 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY - Year C

**Reading 1** Isa 66:10-14 *Towards her I send flowing peace, like a river.*

**Psalm** Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20 r.1 *Cry out with joy to God all the earth.*

**Reading 2** Gal 6:14-18 *The marks on my body are those of the Lord Jesus.*

**Gospel Acclamation** John 15:15 *I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.*

Col 3:15.16 *May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body.*

**Gospel** Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 *Your peace will rest on that man.*

*shorter* Luke 10:1-9 *Your peace will rest on that man.*

### Readers this week

6.30pm Oliver Perez Kieran Shannon	9.30am Chizoba Okeke Yolanda Danday	11.30am Elloie Tetteh Dinah Kansime	6.30pm Shakira Kara Anthonia Fatuase
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### Readers next week:

6.30pm Janette Alfayad Imelda Cervantes	9.30am Sharon Chinwuba Vincent Obi	11.30am Chidubem Uche Ugochi Uche	6.30pm Anastasia Ebifa Joseph Kuruvilla
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Please pray for Donald Victor Crosby†, Juliet Easton† Donald Cavanagh†, Lewis & Danny Lee†, Pope Francis†, Marie & Eric Jones†, and Angela Singh†, who have recently died and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Harold Gent, Vera Newton, Inez Trutwein, Ivy Longridge, Tyrone Ward, Catherine Jordan, Letterio Lauri, Heather Iandolo, Paddy Kehoe, Audrey Green, Jim Wilson, Marian Kalibabka, David Golding, Ian Boorman, Wilfred O'Neill, John (Jack) McCarthy, Kathleen Nesbitt, Peter Lyons and Michael Keating.

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

## Our Parish Notices

**Collections:** Last week's pew collection amounted to £347.97 of which £72.00 was Gift Aided, with a further £190.00 being gift aided via contactless payment. The Second collection for Peter's Pence amounted to £62.40

**SECOND COLLECTION – NEXT WEEK** for Support the Jubilee pilgrims to Rome.



Please use the QR code for your weekly offerings and second collections.

### PARISH THANKSGIVING DAY – TODAY

The Priests' house has been neglected for many years & is now in desperate need of refurbishment. The first phase will cover the cost of the kitchen at about £13,500. Thanksgiving Envelopes for your donation to support the above project are available at the back of the Church. You can also use the cash machine in the Sacristy or via the parish bank account: sort code 60-08-37 A/c No 55153119 A/c name RCAS GILLINGHAM, Ref Thanksgiving.

You can return your thanksgiving donation at any time, so please do not worry if you are unable to attend on that day. You can also use the cash machine in the Sacristy.

**JUBILEE OF THE YOUTH IN ROME 28<sup>th</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> August** – Our parish shall be represented by 4 young people of OLOG seeds. Hence, we shall have a second collection next Sunday to support the payment of their accommodation in Rome which is £1,000.

**DAY BY DAY BOOKS** – Books for July, August & September are available to purchase from the Repository, at £1.25each.

**HEALTH & SAFETY – FIRE MARSHALS** - We require RESPONSIBLE ADULTS to VOLUNTEER to be trained as a FIRE MARSHALL. You will be needed to be present at Masses especially on Sunday. Volunteers please put your Name, Telephone number, and the time of the Mass you attend on Sunday. on the form at the back of the church. Thank you.

**LEGION OF MARY** - You are invited to join the Legion of Mary in our Parish; the Catholic lay faithful serving the person of Jesus Christ under the leadership of Mary, Queen and Mother. See poster at the back of the church or speak to Deacon Michael.

**CAFOD – “ACT NOW, CHANGE FOREVER”** – Mass Lobby of Parliament on 9<sup>th</sup> July. To take part **Register** at [www.theclimatecoalition.org/act-now-change-forever](http://www.theclimatecoalition.org/act-now-change-forever) You'll receive all the details directly from The Climate Coalition. And **Want to connect with other attending from your constituency?**

Email **Sarah and Celeste** at [southwark@cafod.org.uk](mailto:southwark@cafod.org.uk)

**FOOD BANK** - Medway Food Bank have contacted us to express their appreciation for the support our parishioners have given. Please continue your support by placing one or more items in the BLUE BOX in the church porch. We are able to help so many families in our area who desperately need our support. You can find out more about the Medway Food Bank with this internet link, <https://medway.foodbank.org.uk>

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<i>Sat</i> 12 <i>JULY</i>	<b>A DAY WITH MARY - ENGLSIH MARTYRS, STROOD.</b> The day begins at 9.45am and finishes after Benediction at 5.15pm. Information at the back of the church.
<i>Sun</i> 13 <i>July</i>	<b>MEET UP WITH Fr. DENNIS</b> Gillingham Parishioners, aged 70+, are invited to a meeting on Sunday 13th July 2025 at 3.00 pm in the McMahon Hall or the Church garden (weather permitting). Those able to come please leave your name & telephone number on the form at the back of the church.

## PILGRIMAGES/RETREATS

<i>2</i> <i>August</i>	<b>NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE of REPARATION &amp; PRAYER for the SANCTIFY of LIFE – Walsingham –</b> Everyone is invited to join in this pilgrimage in person or via the Shrine <a href="https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/">https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/</a> . Details of the day and travel arrangements can found at <a href="http://www.prolifepilgerimage.org">www.prolifepilgerimage.org</a>
<i>6–9</i> <i>August</i>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS TRIP TO WESTMINSTER PASTORAL CENTRE: £189. For those aged 11-16</b> - We commend this excellent residential trip for Altar Servers and those who regularly attend mass on the weekend. In an event that has now gone on for more than 20 years, it is a few days for deepening one's Catholic faith, in a great social atmosphere, including football, sports and visit to Thorpe Park. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm's Dartford, contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St Stephen, <a href="mailto:Dartford@rcaos.org.uk">Dartford@rcaos.org.uk</a> , <a href="tel:01322220075">Tel:01322220075</a>
<i>15–17</i> <i>August</i>	<b>All Nations Retreat - Brampton, Oxfordshire</b> The All Nations Catholic Charismatic Group (ANCCG) is organising a family and youth residential retreat IGNITE 2025. There will be opportunities for private and group prayers, talks on spirituality, family and health and a social/ fun day with barbeque. Prices include accommodation, food and transport. Please see the poster at the back of the Church.

## OTHER NOTICES

**CATHOLIC SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS AGENCY** - The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency are seeking feedback from anyone who may have information regarding the safeguarding function in Southwark Archdiocese. Please follow on the below links if you wish to contribute. Thank you.

[Do you have information to help our safeguarding inspection in Southwark?](#)  
[Survivors' Work With Us](#)

**HOPE IN ADORATION** - As part of the Jubilee Year, Archbishop John Wilson is encouraging all people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and have their hopes "fulfilled by Christ". **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** (Holy Hour) is every **Friday at 6.15pm** here at the Church. Please don't miss the **Holy Hour**.

## Mass intentions for the week

Saturday (5 <sup>th</sup> July)	10.00	Fernandez Family Intentions
Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Good Health of Harry
Sunday (6 <sup>th</sup> July)	9.30am	Cottam Family Reconciliation
	11.30am	Pro Populo
	6.30pm	Youth of the Parish OLOG Seeds
Monday (7 <sup>th</sup> July)	10.00am	House Construction by Francina
Tuesday (8 <sup>th</sup> July)	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Rev. Fr. John Lacey
Wednesday (9 <sup>th</sup> July) <b>St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest &amp; Companion</b>	10.00am	Repose of the soul & anniversary of David Benedicto
Thursday (10 <sup>th</sup> July)	10.00am	Repose of the souls of Margaret & Harold Cardwell
Friday (11 <sup>th</sup> July) <b>St Benedict, Abbot</b>	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Winifred Brown
	6.15pm - 7.20pm	Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.30pm	Repose of the souls of John & Elizabeth Buck
Saturday (12 <sup>th</sup> July)	10.00am	Repose of the soul of John Bhatia and the Wellbeing of Peggy Finlon
Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Repose of the soul of Teresa Carroll

**MASS INTENTIONS** – Envelopes are at the back of the church for requests for Mass intentions or please see the Parish Secretary. The ‘official’ stipend amount for a Mass Intention is now £10, however please only give what you can afford, a Mass Intention will *always* be accepted.

As per the Vatican’s Dicastery for the Clergy decree, only **ONE** Mass Intention per Mass is allowed unless it is a “collective intention” ie members of the same family.