



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET

**Mass in Memory of Pope Francis - Sunday, 4th May**

As a parish we will come together to celebrate the life of Pope Francis next Sunday at the 10.30am Mass. There is a book of condolence for you to sign on the sanctuary.

**Coach Trip to The Friars, Aylesford - Saturday, 7th June**

As communicated before travel by coach has been arranged for the climax of Jubilee Celebration Day. All parishes across our diocese will be in attendance and the day will end with Mass presided by Archbishop John Wilson.

Please sign up using the sheet at the back of the church. To make payment you can do this by writing your name, phone number and how many seats you need at £15 per person and 'Aylesford' on an envelope containing either cash or a cheque made payable to RCAS Birchington. You can put your sealed envelope into the offertory basket at Mass and it will come through to the office. We are sharing the coach with St Ethelbert's at Ramsgate so you will need to book your place quickly to avoid missing out.

**Pilgrimage to Pentecost**

This course which we have been hearing about is finally here. It begins on Tuesday at 7pm in the church hall.

As pilgrims on this journey, we will be following the example of Our Lady and the first disciples, who prepared for the first Pentecost together, by reflecting on the Scriptures and devoting themselves to prayer.

For further details please speak to Cathy Anderson

**Alpha Launch - Paul's Bar & Bistro, Westgate**

Alpha in-person will begin on Wednesday, 14th May at 7.15pm at Paul's in Westgate at 7.15pm. Flyers are at the back of the church for you to invite two family members or friends along. Please also promote on your social media and pray for all who will be attending. Consider doing it yourself if you have not in the past. Alpha is a relaxed and non-judgemental space where questions of life and the basics of the Christian faith are explored.

**Easter Craft Hunt - Update**

The craft hunt proved to be popular with families. The children made beautiful Easter Gardens, at least 30, which they took home along with a chocolate Easter Egg. It was a joyful and relaxed couple of hours and gave us a good opportunity to speak with families interested in what we are doing with Spark (Children's Liturgy), Rise Up and Alpha. Thank you to everyone who was able to support the event.

**Second Collection this Weekend - Maintenance of St George's Cathedral**

By becoming a friend of St George's Cathedral you will be supporting the work and mission that they do. Envelopes are at the back of the church.

**Collections Last Weekend**

Collection Plate: £1232.52 of which £412.00 was Gift Aided

Digital Collection Plate: £65.00 of which £40.00 was Gift Aided

Standing Orders: £295.00 of which £295.00 was Gift Aided

Sunday, 27th April 2025

**Saturday 26th April**  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Vigil 6pm**  
*Holy Souls*

**Sunday 27th April**  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Mass 8.30am**  
*Holy Souls*

**Mass 10.30am**  
*Ann Shufflebotham, RIP*

**Tuesday 29th April**  
St Catherine of Siena,  
Virgin & Doctor of the Church

**Mass 6pm**  
*People of the Parish*

**Wednesday 30th April**  
St Pius V, Pope

**Mass 10am**  
*Kieran Hailey - Intentions*

**Thursday 1st May**  
St Joseph the Worker

**Mass 8am**  
*Holy Souls*

**Friday 2nd May**  
St Athanasius,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church

**Mass 10am**  
*Suzanne Philips - Intentions*

**Saturday 3rd May**  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Vigil 6pm**  
*Edith Collins, RIP*

**Sunday 4th May**  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Mass 8.30am**

**Mass 10.30am**  
*In Memory of Pope Francis, RIP*