



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET

The God who Speaks: Bible Study - Begins this Thursday, 27th November, 7.15pm

As announced last weekend our Bible Study sessions begin this week in the Parish Hall. Father Joe will lead the sessions which will continue every Thursday at 7.15pm to 8.15pm. Please bring your Bible.

The sessions will have threefold elements which are:

Observation: What strikes me in the text? What do I observe, like characters, contexts, etc?

Commentary: A simple commentary on the text from Study Bibles.

Application: How do I practice this in my life?

Christmas Family Fest - Cake Appeal

At our Cake Stall this year we would love to see some traditional cakes from other countries as we celebrate our diverse community and we would like everyone to be involved. Cakes can be made or shop bought. Please make a list of the ingredients used if you are making cakes so that purchasers can identify any potential allergens and make an informed choice. If from a shop please leave in the packaging.

Cakes can be brought to the church from Friday, 28th November. If you would like your container back please make sure it is labelled with your name.

Thank you.

Called To Bear Fruit - Consultation Response from the Archdiocese

Thank you to the thousands of people who took part in the Called to Bear Fruit consultation. We are grateful to you all for sharing so openly your hopes for the life of the Church in our Archdiocese. The consultation response, which includes fifteen actions for renewal, is available at rcas.org.uk/calledtobearfruit and hardcopies will be sent to every parish. The consultation revealed a burning desire within our parishes to be missionary and evangelising disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, who work together to help people encounter His love. So as we move forward on the next steps together, let's build up the body of Christ in Southwark with faith and confidence, becoming ever more a community of missionary disciples filled with joy and hope for the future. As an Archdiocese we will continue to discern the process of renewal and further updates will be provided in due course.

Called To Bear Fruit - Archdiocesan Team.

Parish Secretary

Following my husband's retirement we are making plans to move away from Kent. This means I can no longer continue in post. The last three years have personally been amazing. I feel blessed to have worked with Fr Joe and been supported so well by him, Charlie Mara and far too many others to mention here. I am looking forward to my early retirement and I will still be part of the Parish until the day I move so this is not goodbye! My last day in the office will be Friday, 28th November.

My temporary replacement is John Hailey. I am confident you will be just as patient and supportive with him as you have been to me.

Thank you.

Louise Hailey

Please turn over for more notifications

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Sunday, 23rd November 2025

Saturday 22nd November

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE (C)

6pm Vigil

Holy Souls

Sunday 23rd November

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE (C)

Mass 8.30am

Holy Souls

Mass 10.30am

Stephen and Louise Hailey - Intentions

Tuesday 25th November

Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and
Martyr

Mass 6pm

People of the Parish

Wednesday 26th November

Feria

Mass 10am

Bunty Daniel, RIP

Thursday 27th November

Feria

Mass 8am

Holy Souls

Friday 28th November

Feria

Mass 10am

Holy Souls

Saturday 29th November

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Vigil 6pm

Holy Souls

Sunday 30th November

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Mass 8.30am

Don McPherson

Mass 10.30am

Ruth Day and Family - Intentions

Holy Family Christmas Events & Mass Times 2025

Saturday 14th December

3pm - Carols Around the Christmas Tree (in Parish Hall)

Christmas Eve - Wednesday 24th December

4pm - Mass with Christingle with young children

Midnight - Mass (with Carols from 11.30pm)

Christmas Day - Thursday 25th December

8.30am - Mass

10.30am - Mass



Car Park Closure - Sunday, 30th November

The Christmas Family Fest happening next Sunday in our Hall and outside spaces means that for safety reasons the car park will be closed to all vehicles attending the 8.30am and 10.30am Masses. Alternative parking is available at the Medical Centre opposite. Please consider car sharing or walking if you are able. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Christmas Fairs in our Deanery

Saturday, 29th November, 11am - 2pm - Our Lady Sar of the Sea, Broadstairs Road, Broadstairs

Sunday, 30th November, 12 - 3pm - Holy Family - Thanet, Minnis Road, Birchington

Sunday, 7th December, 12.15pm onwards - Ss Ethelbert & Gertrude, Hereson Road, Ramsgate

Second Collection this weekend—World Youth Sunday 2025

Sunday 23rd November is World Youth Sunday and as such there will be a second collection to support the work of the Southwark Catholic Youth Service, which provides a wide range of opportunities and activities for youth and young adults across the Archdiocese.

For more information visit www.tinyurl.com/scys1 or join the Southwark Catholic Youth Network for regular updates at www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork

Second Collection next Weekend—Holy Family Maintenance Fund

This monthly collection taken on the last Sunday of each month helps meet the ongoing costs of maintaining our church. Your continued contributions are very much appreciated.

Donations can also be made at any time using the tab marked 'Maintenance Fund' on the electronic card machine in the porch. Father Joe and the Finance Committee thank the parishioners for their generosity.

Collections Last Weekend

Collection Plate: £ 335.89 of which £ 105.30 was Gift Aided

Digital Collection Plate: £75.00 of which £45.00 was Gift Aided

Standing Orders: £165.00 of which £165.00 was Gift Aided

Confession

(Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Sundays 8.00 am - 8.25 am &

9.30 am - 10.00 am

Please speak to the priest in person or email/phone the office to make an arrangement.