

#### PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET

## The God who Speaks - Parish Bible Study

Last Thursday our Bible study evenings started. It was an enjoyable, gathering of parishioners of different ages. We will continue to meet every Thursday in the parish hall at 7:15. Please come along even if you missed the first session. All are welcome any week. It is your space.

## **Faith Sharing Group**

The fortnightly faith sharing group will meet this Tuesday in the parish hall at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

#### **Advent Table Arrangement**

Last Saturday we held our annual flower arrangement workshop. The morning was well attended and good fun. The table decorations are available to buy this Sunday at the Christmas Family Fest. It also raised £231.00 for our Church. Over half of the people who attended were not parishioners which is a sign of how we are reaching the community outside of our church and show people are responding to our hospitality.

# Car Park Closure Reminder - Sunday, 30th November

Just a reminder that the car park will be closed for the entirety of Sunday for the Christmas Family Fest so please find alternate parking if attending either Mass.

# Carols around the Christmas Tree - Saturday, 14th December

Following the success of last year's event, we will be welcoming you once again to join us for an informal afternoon singing carols in the parish hall at 3pm. To go along with our festive singsong we will be serving mince pies, cakes and hot drinks. Please invite family and friends.

#### Called to Bear Fruit - Response Booklet

Please find a booklet available to read at the back of the church containing the report on the consultation, Called to Bear Fruit, following responses that have been received from churches across the diocese.

# Second Collection this 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.

#### **Collections Last Weekend**

Collection Plate: £ 335.95 of which £ 210.95 was

Gift Aided

Digital Collection Plate: £75.00 of which £50.00

was Gift Aided

Standing Orders: £200.00 of which £200.00 was

Gift Aided

Second Collection Catholic Youth: £109.31 of

which £22.00 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.

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# Saturday 29th November FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

**6pm Vigil** *Holy Souls* 

Sunday 30th November

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Mass 8.30am

Don McPherson RIP

Mass 10.30am

Ruth Day and Family- Wellbeing

**Tuesday 2nd December** 

Feria

Mass 6pm

Holy Souls

Wednesday 3rd December

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest, Memorial

Mass 10am

People of the Parish

**Thursday 4th December** 

Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Mass 8am

Holy Souls

Friday 5th December

Feria

Mass 10am

Theresa McCarthy, RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Vigil 6pm

Sister Hannah Buckley (DJ), RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Mass 8.30am

Holy Souls

Mass 10.30am

Margaret Coverdale, RIP