

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)** available after any Mass or by appointment with Fr Kevin.

A **new-look Sunday leaflet** was introduced at S. Augustine's last Sunday. As well as information for the week ahead and contact details, it contains all the Scripture readings and Collects used each Sunday. This means you can now follow the readings in church and also read them again at home. A different translation of the readings has now been introduced for use in the Church in England. If you would like to order the new Sunday Missal containing all the readings for the year (£20) then please let Fr Kevin know.

#### **THE SEASON OF ADVENT – a message from Fr Kevin**

Advent is a time of spiritual preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of the Lord, the feast of Christmas. Christians are encouraged to prepare their hearts and minds to welcome Christ whose birth brings joy, peace and salvation to us and to the world. During Advent, the liturgical colour is purple. The Gloria is omitted at Mass and flowers are removed from the church. It is very easy for us to get caught up in all the other preparations for Christmas and to forget about Advent! So why not make an extra effort to come to a weekday Mass at S. Augustine's this Advent? Just 20 quiet minutes in the day to worship God in our beautiful church, to hear his word and to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion. The times of Mass during the week are advertised on this leaflet and all are welcome.

***"O come to my heart, Lord Jesus. There is room in my heart for thee."***

It has become a tradition at S. Augustine's to have the church decorated with poinsettias throughout the Christmas season. Please consider buying a poinsettia for the church & bringing it on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December or putting money in the flower fund box at the back of the church so that we can buy one for you.

Please see the Christmas leaflet for all services throughout the Christmas season.

#### **Parish Contacts**

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## **Welcome to the Parish Church of S. Augustine of Canterbury, Belvedere**

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Diocese of Rochester.

Under the Episcopal Care of the Bishop of Richborough

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December- Advent 2**



**10.00 am Parish Mass**

**Processional Hymn: 64**

**Offertory Hymn: 241**

**Communion Hymn: 390**

**Recessional Hymn: 575**

#### ***Masses this week...***

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December – IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity)

10.00 am Mass

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

6.00 pm Mass

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

9.05 am School Mass

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Feria of Advent

10.00 am Mass

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – S. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

10.00 am Mass (Fr Neil)

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December

S. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

10.00 am Mass (Fr Neil)

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Advent 3

10.00 am Parish Mass

#### ***Please pray for....***

Our link parish St Mary's Chitungwiza & their mission school.

Our Pre-School & Church School.

Bexley Street Pastors.

***The sick:*** Val, Rose, Sean, Norah, Bob, Irene, Heather, Helen, Gareth, Dinah, David, Richard, Muriel, Peter, June, Stephen, Sheelah, Claude, Ellen-Josephine, Darcie, Mark, Sinead, Gloria, Ann.

***The Recently Departed and their families & friends:***

Jacky Maun.

***Anniversary of Death:*** Jeremy Ducker (13<sup>th</sup>),

Lancelot Hazel (14<sup>th</sup>)