



St. Anselm's Pembury

Serving all Catholics in Pembury and home to the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham in the Tunbridge Wells area of Kent

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Epiphany III / 3rd in Ordinary Time

21st January 2018

Sunday lessons year B; weekday lessons year II

Under the shared Sacramental and Pastoral Care of
Archbishop Peter Smith & Mgr. Keith Newton

A warm welcome: to S. Anselm's Pembury. We hope to see you again.

The Children's liturgy: takes place during the 9.15 Mass. Visitors welcome. Teachers are police checked and follow basic child safety procedure. We believe children are the church of today.

Child protection officer: Rosie Sawyer 01892 537349. Please report any concerns to her directly and be aware that it is parish policy that no child should be alone with an adult unless it is their own parent.

Pray for the sick: Susan Adcock, Lillian Kitley, Amelia Woodgate, Julie Izzard, Mick Colville, Doreen Boughton, June Ball, Madeleine Ravenhill, Ann Riley, Rita Ellard, Bernie

Pray for the departed: Claire Davidson, Vincent Gallacher

Father Ed: is offering supply in Otford and Sevenoaks this morning. Thank you to the returning prodigal, aka Fr. Nicholas, for covering.

Confessions: Wednesday evenings 6-7pm or by appointment.

Clothes & cake sale: Next Sunday, after the 9:15am Mass and before the 11am Mass, there will be a cake sale and sale of designer and good quality second hand ladies clothes in aid of the lighting fund.

Working party: we have several jobs that need doing in the grounds and church. Our next working party will be on Saturday 3rd Feb following 9am Mass. Please bring gardening gloves, equipment etc... we need to clean debris, spray moss, replant some blackthorn and weed the beds!

Crib Charity: raised £290 for the providence row charity. Thank you

Steering Committee: will meet on January 31st following the 7pm Mass.

Steering committee members: We have some vacancy on the steering committee, which will be meeting in the new year. If interested in joining speak to Father Ed. The group meets 3 or 4 times per annum.

Pastoral Committee: the next meeting is Jan 27th following 9am Mass.

The new window: has now been cleaned, restored and set into its new frame. It will be transported to Kent and stored safely. We hope to install it in the church during Lent

Ordinariate lay conference: is being held in 2018, from August 7-9, at Worth Abbey. The aim is to provide time for prayer and fellowship. The lectures will focus on the mission and purpose of the Ordinariate. Watch this space for further details and keep the date free if interested.

First communion: Children aged 7 and above may sign up for this year's first communion course. Names to Father Ed please. Details to follow.

Confirmations: Adults and young people aged 14 and above may sign up for the confirmation course. Names to Father Ed please.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

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| Sun 21 | Low Mass 8am Solemn Mass 9.15am Sung Mass 11am Evensong 6:30pm | Claire Davidson RIP George Robinson RIP |
| Mon 22 | St. Vincent No Mass today | Kerrie White & family |
| Tue 23 | Feria Low Mass 12pm | Veronice Storey RIP |
| Wed 24 | St. Francis de Sales Low Mass 7pm | Vincent Gallacher RIP |
| Thu 25 | Conversion of St. Paul Low Mass 10am | Joseph McClusky RIP |
| Fri 26 | Ss. Timothy & Titus Low Mass 10am | Michael Williams RIP |
| Sat 27 | St. Angela Merici Low Mass 9am | Magalie Nicole RIP |

The Season of Pre Lent



Next Sunday is Septuagesima, the beginning of the ancient season of pre-Lent which is resurrected within the Calendar of the Ordinariate. Pre-Lent is a helpful season in that it gives us the time and opportunity to properly prepare to keep a good Lent. It is a time to purchase the devotional reading. A time to begin the self examination to make a good confession. A time to consider what mortification will be taken on- perhaps the giving up of a favoured thing or else the taking on of good work.

Did you know?

The Catholic Church spends more money per annum than Apple brings in? Expenditures by the Catholic Church, largely on charitable endeavours, exceeded \$170 billion in 2012, according to The Economist magazine. In that same year, Apple took in \$157 billion in revenue. We Catholics should take enormous pride that more people are clothed, educated, fed, nursed and cared for by the Catholic church each year than most other organisations combined. Too often we only hear, via the media, only the negative aspects of the church, so it is good to remind ourselves that there is much to celebrate too!

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