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Ss Austin & Gregory with St Anne, Margate

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 24th May 2026

Pentecost Sunday

Ss Austin & Gregory 9.00am

Intention: - Thanksgiving and God's Blessings
on all Parishioners
Arnold and Valerie Kempster

St Anne's 11.00am Mass

Intention: - God's Mercies and Favours on Family as
well as private intentions
Mrs Nkechi Obeta

Adrian Margetson (+)
Ian Margetson

Monday 25th May

Mary, Mother of the Church, Memorial

Ss Austin & Gregory 10.00am Mass

Intention: - Birthday Blessings – Joanah Ajay

Wednesday 27th May

St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, Apostle of England

Ss Austin & Gregory 10.00am Mass

Intention: Blessings on our Parish Community

Thursday 28th May

Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, Feast

Ss Austin & Gregory 10.00am Mass

Intention: Gratitude for the gifts of the Holy Spirit

Friday 29th May

Friday of Week 8 in Ordinary Time

St Anne's Mass 10.00am

Intention: The Sick and Housebound of the Parish

Ss Austin & Gregory 5.30pm Mass

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Exposition 4.00pm, Confessions 4.30 – 5.00pm
Rosary 5.00pm

Saturday 30th May

Saturday of Week 8 in Ordinary Time

Ss Austin & Gregory: 5.00pm Mass

Intention: Holy Souls

Sunday 31st May 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

Ss Austin & Gregory 9.00am

Intention: - Thanksgiving and God's Blessings
on all Parishioners - Arnold and Valerie Kempster

St Anne's 11.00am Mass

Intention: - God's Mercies and Favours on Family as
well as private intentions
Mrs Nkechi Obeta

Rekindle in us the fire of your love

One of the traditional prayers of invocation of the Holy Spirit is, 'Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth' (cf Psalm 104(103):30). The Scripture refers to the great things that happened 'when the day of Pentecost arrived and there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven who came together and each one was hearing them speak in his own language...the mighty works of God'(cf Acts2:1-11). This was a renewal of the face of the earth. In addition, it was like a reversal of the sad experience of God confusing the language of humans at the Tower of Babel (cf Gen 11:1-9).

Beloved people of God, every heart, every generation, every age needs the fire of God's love to be rekindled in it. That is one true way of renewing the face of the earth - where humanity gathers, and speaks of God's greatness and his glory. As the psalmist would have it, 'bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, how great you are! How many are your works, O Lord, the earth is full of your creatures...You send forth your spirit, and they are created, and you renew the face of the earth...May the glory of the Lord last for ever. May the Lord rejoice in his works...' (cf Ps 104(103)ff).

We pray that in our time and age, the Lord steps in once more even as we live confused in the face of fear, real and or imaginary. May we accept his gift of peace – 'Peace be with you'. May we also accept the mission to which he sends us – 'As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you'. May we be open to receive the Holy Spirit that he gives to us – 'Receive the Holy spirit'. May we forgive others so that they will be forgiven.

Fr Ted

All to Jesus – Through Mary our Mother

Newsletter – Ss Austin & Gregory with St Anne – MARGATE
24th May 2026

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church—Memorial
Celebrated the Monday after Pentecost

The most glorious Mother of God largely lived a quiet and hidden life, and there are but a few stories about her in the Scriptures. Since her Assumption into Heaven, the Church has prayerfully pondered her life and role in the mystery of salvation. Little by little, saint after saint and pope after pope have shed greater light upon her unique and glorious role in the Father's eternal plan. As our understanding of the Blessed Mother has deepened, the Church has proclaimed new titles and new dogmas about Mary. In 2018, a new liturgical memorial honored her with the title "Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church."

To understand the Blessed Virgin Mary's role as Mother of the Church, we begin with Scripture. As Jesus hung on the Cross, His mother and two other women stood before Him, alongside John, the disciple whom Jesus loved. From the Cross, Jesus entrusted His mother to John's care. "When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, 'Woman, behold, your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his home" ([John 19:26–27](#)).

The funeral Mass for the happy repose of
ANDY ANDERSON (+)
Friday 5th June
11.30am at
Our Lady and Saint Benedict
Birchington

All welcome to attend

We commend to Our Lady, Health of the Sick, all those in our parish who are unwell, or who are in nursing and care homes, in hospitals and the housebound, remembering especially:

Clare Hastings, Molly Dunne, Cathy Simmons,
Breda Leavesley, Katherine O'Shea
Sussana King, Patricia James
Pauline Gallagher and Beryl Price

Please note that for Data Protection reasons, individuals must explicitly agree to their names to be mentioned in our Newsletter. Please let the parish office know in writing if either your name or the names of your relatives and friends should appear on our sick list. Thank you.

Thank you to all who joined the Parish Quiz Night or contributed in any way to its success. A fun night was had, with the evening raising £380. Thank you!

The Parish Social Committee

**“MY MOST HOLY MOTHER IS
INDISPENSABLE TO LIFE IN ME.....”**

“In order to grow up into holiness, one must enter the Virgin's heart and hide oneself, as it were, in her virginal womb. Thus is one born again in to the life of perfection that I desire to see in every member of My Mystical Body. My most holy Mother is indispensable to life in Me, with Me, and through Me. One who seeks union with Me will find that union more surely, more safely, and more sweetly by going first to My Mother and by consecrating himself unreservedly and forever to her immaculate Heart.”

In Sinu Jesu, 02:05:2010, 163

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**Day Retreat to Aylesford Priory –
Saturday, 27th June, 2026**

Payment Due by Sunday 31st May

If you indicated interest, please forward payment in cash (£17 per person) in a sealed envelope with your NAME, CONTACT NUMBER, NUMBER OF PERSONS AND PICK UP POINT clearly labelled to Fay/Sheila or Helen/Cathy S.

Pick up points are:

*St Anne's Church - departing promptly at 8.45am
Bus Stop at St John's Church, Churchfields, Margate -
departing promptly at 9.00am*

THANK YOU.....

to all who volunteered to help with the cleaning of the Church. It was so good to have so many willing hands to help on Thursday.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION – All NatWest Accounts

St Austin & Gregory, Margate. Account Name: RCAS Margate, Account Number 52026388, Sort Code 60-14-05

St Austin & Gregory Poor Fund Account. Account Name: Poor Fund Account Margate. Account Number 52026353 Sort Code 60-14-05

St Anne's, Cliftonville. Bank: Account Name: RCAS Cliftonville, Account Number 09872213, Sort Code 60-06-01