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Ss Austin & Gregory with St Anne, Margate

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 1st June 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Ss Austin & Gregory 9.00am

Intention: Triumphant Akhidue

First Birthday Celebration and Thanksgiving

- Mr and Mrs Charles & Hannah Akhidue

St Anne's 11.00am Mass

Intention: People of the Parish

Monday 2nd June

Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Ss Austin & Gregory 10.00am Mass

Intention: Thanksgiving

- Jennifer Chinaza Njoku

Tuesday 3rd June

Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 4th June

Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

No Mass or Services today

Canon Luke's 30th Priestly Celebration at the
Little Sisters of the Poor, Vauxhall

Thursday 5th June

Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr, Memorial

Ss Austin & Gregory 10.00am Mass

Intention:- Private Intention

- Sheila Mulvihill

Friday 6th June

Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter

St Anne's 10.00am Mass

Intention: The People of the Parish

Ss Austin & Gregory 5.30pm Mass

Intention: Betty Driscoll (+)

- Mike Colyer

Exposition 4.00pm, Confessions 4.30 – 5.00pm

Rosary 5.00pm

Saturday 7th June

Saturday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Ss Austin & Gregory: 5.00pm Mass

Intention: William and Luz Kempster (+)

Arnold and Valerie Kempster

PRAYING AND LOVING TILL THE END!

Today we read about the stoning of Stephen, the first martyr of the early Christian church, and how he prayed for the forgiveness of his enemies before he died. Scripture has it that, 'As they were stoning Stephen, he called out loud, 'Lord Jesus receive my spirit. And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' And when he had said this, he fell asleep' (cf. Acts 7:55-60).

Beloved people of God, the ability to stay in prayer, to forgive and to love till the end will never come easy. These are not things that one receives by wishful thinking. Yet, as difficult as it is, it is not impossible. What would make it possible will include, associating with Jesus, drawing close to him through quiet time, reading of the Scripture, meditating on his words, reflecting on his ways and taking baby-steps, daily, putting into practice what one learns from the Master. The Holy Spirit who has been promised to us, helps us too, in the most difficult and challenging circumstances. Little wonder the Scripture says, 'Stephen, full of the Holy spirit was able to follow the example of Jesus'. Our Blessed Lord suffered for us. He forgave those who nailed him to the cross. and left us an example to follow in his steps. Stephen prayed also for the forgiveness of those who were stoning him to death. This is not advocating for a spirituality that glorifies needless pain and suffering. Any pain, suffering that cannot be turned into a sacrifice for the wellbeing of others, for the salvation of souls or to the glory of God, if it can be avoided must be avoided.

We pray never to inflict needless pain on others. Still more do we pray that any pain, suffering, whatever we have to endure, will never be useless or worthless. Stephen's helped with the conversion of Saul. May everything that we have to go through in life, in prayer and love become a sacrifice that saves.

FR. TED

Newsletter – Ss Austin & Gregory with St Anne – MARGATE

1st JUNE 2025

“We invite all Christians to be enlightened by the Holy Spirit, so that we might build a Church founded on God’s love, a sign of unity, a missionary church that opens its arms to the world, proclaims the word, allows itself to be made “restless” by history, and becomes a haven of harmony for humanity.”

Pope Leo XIV

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

THE NEXT CLASS WILL BE ON

SATURDAY 7th JUNE
11.00am for 11.15am start

Cash Collection Sunday 4th May 2025

St Anne's		Ss Austin & Gregory
Loose Plate	£ 127.32	£209.21
Gift Aid	£ 114.00	£156.50
	£ 241.32	£365.71

The above totals do not include the total received by Standing Order.
Thank you for your continued support of the Parish

There will be a Second collection **TODAY** for the **Catholic Communications Network**.

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,
Teresa Skillington, Breda Leavesley, Marjorie Davis
and Roger Todd

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

In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course.

(Saint Boniface – Feast Day 5th June)

The Pentecost Novena this year is from Friday 30th May to Saturday 7th June Places and times of each day

Friday 30 th May	6.30pm St Austin's
Saturday 31 st May	6.30pm St Austin's
Sunday 1 st June	6.30pm St Austin's
Monday 2 nd June	6.30pm St Anne's
Tuesday 3 rd June	6.30pm St Anne's
Wednesday 4 th June	6.30pm St Anne's
Thursday 5 th June	6.30pm St Austin's
Friday 6 th June	6.30pm St Austin's
Saturday 7 th June	6.30pm St Austin's

This nine-day period of prayer culminates on Pentecost Sunday. The Novena is a period of prayer and preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit, a significant event in Christian tradition.

‘THE LORD IS HERE AND WANTS TO
SEE YOU’ (*John 11-28*)

FRIDAYS AT Ss AUSTIN & GREGORY
Exposition from 4.00pm to 5.00pm, followed by
the Rosary and Mass at 5.30pm
(Confessions from 4.30 – 5.00pm)

OUR PARISH DAY.....

is fast approaching. The Parish Social Committee would be glad to have your ideas, suggestions and or contributions towards its success. There is a box at the back of the church for any of the above and more.

Thank you all.

Day for Life Collection – NEXT SUNDAY 8th June

This is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life Collection provide funding for the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in the particular field determined by the theme of the year.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION – All NatWest Accounts

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

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

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