

Parish of St Theodore Cranbrook, Kent
together with
Benenden, The Chapel of Our Lady and St Joseph

Together with Staplehurst, Sissinghurst and Sandhurst

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Newsletter

✠ SUNDAY 29 March 2026- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - (A) – p 234

First Reading- Isaiah 50: 4-7; *Psalms-* 22 (21): 8-24; *Second Reading-* Philippians 2: 6-11; *Gospel-* Matt 26: 14 - 27: 66

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St Theodore's 11.00

1. **Missal Guide-** Intro- **523**; Creed- **541**; Each Prayer I- **593**, II- **605**, III- **613**, IV- **623**; Communion Rite- **633**
2. **Get Involved in Parish Life!** - Join one of our parish teams – the Prayer Group, Tea and Coffee Ministry, Church Cleaning Team, Flower Decoration Group, or become a Lay Reader.
3. Next week there will be **tea and coffee** after the Easter Sunday masses. Thank you to the tea and coffee makers
4. There will be a collection this Sunday for **Easter Flowers** after the Sunday masses
5. **Sacrament of Reconciliation-** As we move toward Holy Week Fr Barry is available for Confession at any time. You can call him on 1580 713364 to arrange a time that suits you.
6. There is a collection box for **Nourish** in the church entrance at St Theodore's
7. **Good Friday United Witness in the Parade, Staplehurst** will take place between 9am and 12 noon. During this time hot cross buns with a special Good Friday message are offered to the passing public and there is an opportunity for personal reflection, prayer and quiet conversation with other participants
8. As part of the Easter Season running from Saturday 11th to Pentecost, people might consider attending **Eucharistic Adoration**. Before Saturday Mass from 5 pm on Saturday has been suggested as a time. Alternative suggestions to Father Barry. For details on the devotion see [Meeting Christ in the Eucharist | Catholic Truth Society](#) or [The Prayerful Hour | Catholic Truth Society](#).
9. People might like to revisit the work of the International Theological Commission on the **Council of Nicaea** and the formulation of the **Nicene Creed**, a cornerstone of Christian belief. See [Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour | Catholic Truth Society](#)
10. **St Elizabeth's, Richmond** is hosting a two-day international conference 6th-7th May, sharing the fruits and lessons of ten years as a **Divine Renovation parish**- see <https://www.catholicrichmond.org/renewal>
11. Cranbrook Holy Week services- **Maundy Thursday--19.00-** Mass of the Last Supper
Good Friday --9.00- Stations of the Cross and Walk of Witness
3.00- The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Dates for your diary?

1. **Musical Pilgrimage on the Augustine Camino** June 8-14 2026- From Rochester – Canterbury - and then onto the shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. Contact Eddie at: gileag@gmail.com or www.eddiegilmore.org
2. Join [7-13 June Young Adult Pilgrimage](#) (ages 18–35) to Lourdes. For details see <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/LD1006/>.
3. **Southwark Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 21-28 August 2026 Details from Deacon John Fogarty (johnfogarty@rcaos.org.uk)

As always, I ask for **your prayers** for the wellbeing of the sick of this parish -----

God bless you all– Father Baz

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Monday	St Osburga of Coventry (d. 1018)
Tuesday	St Cellach (d. 1129), Archbishop of Armagh
Wednesday	St Ebba the Younger, (d.870), Abbess of Coldingham and Martyr
Thursday	Maunder Thursday- 19.00- Mass of the Last Supper
Friday	9.00- Stations of the Cross and Walk of Witness 3.00- The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
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✠ **SUNDAY 29 March 2026- Easter Sunday- (A) – p 364ff**

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NOTE: *Weekday Masses are held in the Presbytery at 10am, unless otherwise stated*

For details on feasts- for St Osburga see [St. Osburga - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#); or St Cellach see [St. Cellach - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#); for St Ebba see [St. Ebba the Younger - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#); or Holy Week see [CATHOLIC ENCYCLOPEDIA: Holy Week](#)

Parish Contacts [all 01580 – except Tony and Margaret(A-M) which are mobile numbers]

Welfare Group: Father Barry 713364 or Judy on 892159. If you, or you know anyone who needs help, or Someone to talk to, please contact us and we will do all we can to help.

Preparation for Sacraments: Father Barry 713364 or Margaret 891187

Prayer Group: Thea 713882; Marie 713712; Tony 07812 159353; Judith 892159 Margaret (A-M) 07871 346343; Eileen 713126; Sheila 481260; the intention of the group is to pray for the same request on the same day. Telephone any member and your prayer request will be passed on to all the other members

Rosary Group – every Friday at 10.30 am [following the 10 am Mass]. If anyone would like to attend, please do come along, we would love to see you. Do come if you can.

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