

**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 5 July 2026- Fourteenth Sunday (A) – p 738

*First Reading-* Zechariah 9: 9-10; *Psalm* 145 (144): 1-14; *Second Reading-* Romans 8: 9, 11-13; *Gospel-* Matt 11: 25-30

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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!** – We warmly invite you to join one of our parish teams – the Prayer Group, Tea and Coffee Ministry, Church Cleaning Team, Flower Decoration Group, or consider becoming a Lay Reader.
3. There will be tea and coffee after Sunday masses. Thanks to the tea and coffee makers
4. Next week, there is a second collection for **Stella Maris**, formerly known as the Apostleship of the Sea. For the work of this charity see [Home - Stella Maris](#)
5. There is a collection box for **Nourish** in the church entrance at St Theodore's
6. **Archbishop Moth** receives his pallium in Rome [In Pictures: Archbishop Moth receives the pallium in Rome](#)
7. **Fr Stephen Wang** is made new Bishop of Arundel and Brighton [Fr Stephen Wang named sixth Bishop of Arundel & Brighton](#)
8. ACN are running an appeal **to help Christians in Nigeria** where many are being driven from their homes see [https://acnuk.org/?srsltid=AfmBOoo68ulpRh5ZA\\_M4cPW\\_Bvfi5QDnuEOUDegoJ\\_Dbu51ikQltQenV](https://acnuk.org/?srsltid=AfmBOoo68ulpRh5ZA_M4cPW_Bvfi5QDnuEOUDegoJ_Dbu51ikQltQenV)
9. Summer listening? - You might like to listen to the podcasts on various Catholic themes at:
  - The Catholic Truth Society <https://www.ctsbooks.org/into-the-truth/>
10. **Summer Stillness Retreat 2026** at Aylesford Priory- Come and join us from Monday 10th August to Friday 14th August for our annual retreat. For details see [thefriars.org.uk/Whats+On/Events/Summer Stillness Retreat 2026/](https://thefriars.org.uk/Whats+On/Events/Summer+Stillness+Retreat+2026/)
11. **WeBelieve** festival brings thousands together to encounter Jesus Christ in His Church takes place at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham between 24-27 July. For details see [WeBelieve 2026: Archdiocese of Southwark](#)

#### **Dates for your diary?**

1. **Saturday 11 July (10.00 am)** at Bayham Old Abbey, there will be a Gregorian chant Mass celebrating its Norbertine heritage. See <https://rcaos.org.uk/news-events/events/historical-norbertine-rite-mass-at-bayham-old-abbey/?d=639193608000000000>
2. Aylesford Priory has a **Summer Fayre** on Saturday 11 July, 11am-4.30pm- [thefriars.org.uk/Whats+On/Events/Summer Fayre 2026/](https://thefriars.org.uk/Whats+On/Events/Summer+Fayre+2026/)

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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There is a Mass on Monday-Friday at 10.00 am in the Presbytery (unless otherwise stated)

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| <b>Monday</b>    | St Maria Goretti (d. 1902), Patron of young women, purity, and victims of rape |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | The Translation of St Thomas Becket (d. 1170), Archbishop and Martyr           |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | St Grimbald (d.901), Abbot of New Minster Winchester                           |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | St Veronica Giuliani (d. 1727), Abbess and Capuchin mystic                     |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 10:00 -Mass at St Theodore's<br>10.30 – Rosary                                 |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | St Theodore's 18.00 [for Sunday]                                               |

## ✠ SUNDAY 12 July 2026- Fifteenth Sunday (A) – p 741

### Collection for Stella Maris

**First Reading-** Isaiah 55: 10-11; **Psalm** 65 (64): 10-14; **Second Reading-** Romans 8: 18-23; **Gospel-** Matt 13: 1-23

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For details on feasts-for St Maria Goretti see [St. Maria Goretti - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#); for the Translation of St Thomas Becket see [CATHOLIC ENCYCLOPEDIA: St. Thomas Becket](#); for St Grimbald see [St. Grimbald - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#); for St Veronica Giuliani see [St. Veronica Giuliani - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online](#);

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**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.

**Amazon-** Support the Archdiocese of Southwark when using Amazon see <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/donate/support-as-you-shop/>



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**Website-** <https://www.sttheodore-cranbrook.org/>

**Newsletter-** [cranbrookgac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:cranbrookgac@rcaos.org.uk) - if you would like to receive an electronic copy please send your email address to editor or fill in the slip at the back of the church *Newsletter- 050726f*