

The Catholic Parish of Ongar and Doddinghurst



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) SUNDAY 13TH JULY, 2025



**"At the inn, the Samaritan nurses
the injured man back to health"
from The Good Samaritan Window,
Cathedral of Notre-Dame, Chartres, France**

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) - Sunday 13th July, 2025

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of eternal life.**

Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon:

**Whoever eats my flesh, and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord**

Our newsletter can also be found online at catholicparishongar.org

No matter how long it's been, God is always ready to welcome you back with open arms. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is a beautiful opportunity to experience God's mercy, healing, and peace.

The Sacrament of Individual Reconciliation is available on Saturdays 4.30pm – 5.15pm before Holy Mass at 5.30pm at St. Helen's, Ongar.

St Helen's Teas and Coffees will now be available after Mass on Sundays. Come along and join for a chat and a cuppa. Also, Welcoming will be at every Mass in St Helen's. Both actions will hopefully help people feel more welcome especially any newcomers to our parish. A big thanks to Lesley Denton for organising and to all our volunteers.

Thank You A big thank you to Stan and Bernie for fixing the loose tiles in the church and also for their work to secure the entrance gate and giving the garden a good trim at St Helen's.

Missio Raising funds for Missio there will be an **Open Garden at 11-5pm on Sunday 27th July at 2 Days Cottages, Days Lane, Doddinghurst, CM15 9SL**. Suggested admission £4. Refreshments, plants and art work sale. If you have a Red Missio box please keep filling it! To donate via Direct Debit or standing order details online or on back of the Mission Today Impact report. If you need a Red Box or your one needs emptying please call me on 01277974145. Thank you always for your support. Mary C

St Vincent de Paul (SVP) raffle tickets representatives will be selling raffle tickets for the annual summer draw £1 per ticket. To purchase contact Bernie at 5.30pm Mass, Ann and Lauren at 8.45am Mass and Bridget and Clara at 10.30am St Margaret's Mass. Thank you for your support.

Second Collection - Sea Sunday, 13 July 2025

Join us this Sea Sunday to honour the courageous men and women who keep our world moving. Together, let's pray, give thanks, and raise vital funds to support seafarers facing tough and often lonely conditions. Envelopes available in both churches <https://www.missiontoseafarers.org/sea-sunday>

Stock Parish Picnic To celebrate their Patronal feast day, the Stock Parish are holding a picnic in the church grounds on Sunday 13 July from midday after Mass at 11am. It is very informal and Bishop Thomas and the parish would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join them.

Cathedral Young Adults Group. Are you aged between 18 – 35 and interested in meeting like minded individuals in a relaxed and social environment? The Group meets on the first Sunday of each month after the 6.30 Sunday Mass at Brentwood Cathedral. We walk to a nearby Pub after Mass for some food or drink and to meet and support each other spiritually and socially, wherever you are on your Faith journey. For details email cathe-dral@brcdt.org

REPOSITORY We have cards and gifts for Christmas, First Holy Communion's, Baptisms, Mass Intention Cards and other occasions for sale in the Repository in the porch at St Helen's at very reasonable prices. Please pay using the card box on the wall in the porch or get in touch with Ann Jackson if anything else required. Thank you.

Whatsapp Group: If anyone would like to join the parish Whatsapp Group please contact Denise Terry-Roberts at d.terryroberts@btinternet.com or on 07545 240064 to get your mobile number added.

St. Margaret's Hall Hire St. Margaret's is available for hire for private functions and parties, children's parties, fitness classes, local groups and events holding up to 100 people at reasonable rates. If you would like more information or to make a booking please contact Kelly Love on 01277 362645, ongar@brcdt.org or whatsapp/msg 07929241350 last minute bookings only)

Hall Usage Calendar <https://catholicparishongar.org/hall-usage-calendar/>
Parish Events Diary <https://catholicparishongar.org/parish-events-calendar/>

Mass Attendance: Jul 5/6 5.30pm: 19 Sun 8.45am: 59 10.30am: 22

Offertory Cash/Chq Collection: £214.47 Second Collection : N/A

Please make cheques payable to: 'Catholic Church Ongar St Helens'

For electronic payments please email ongar@brcdt.org

For Gift Aid/Envelopes please contact Bernard Adams 01277 823511

Thank you for your continued selfless generosity and support.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will. Thank you.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) (Sea Sunday)

SAT 12 JUL	St H 4.30pm	Confession
	St H 5.30pm	Maria Bereta RIP (Sue & John Fahey)
SUN 13 JUL	St H 8.45am	Peter Smith RIP Anniv. (Paul Falco)
	St M 10.30am	People of the Parish
MON 14 JUL		<i>No Weekday Mass</i>
TUES 15 JUL	St H 9.00am	St Bonaventure, Bp, D Attracta McGowan (Nalan)
WED 16 JUL	St H 9.00am	Weekday Mass
THU 17 JUL	St H 9.00am	Weekday Mass
FRI 18 JUL	St H 9.00am	Weekday Mass

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

SAT 19 JUL	St H 4.30pm	Confession
	St H 5.30pm	A Special Intention (Bernie & Stan Wrobel)
SUN 20 JUL	St H 8.45am	Catherine & Clive Cullen RIP (Lillie & Marvin)
	St M 10.30am	People of the Parish

Prayer List: Please pray for all our parishioners and friends who are sick and need the benefit of our love and prayers: Alan Chapman, Maureen Hamilton, Lucy Gay, Sue Potter, Philip Denton, Ivy Denton, Douglas Jordan, John Varellas, Bruno Vassallo, Fr. Emile Nkumu, William Readman, Richard Denton, Theresa Aikin
Please also pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.