

The Catholic Parish of Ongar and Doddingtonhurst



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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER, 2025



**Moses holding up his arms during the battle,
assisted by Aaron and Hur**

Source: [Wikimedia](#)

Artist: John Everett Millais (1829–1896)

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia.

The word of God is living and active, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon:

**The Son of Man has come
to give his life as a ransom for many.**

Our newsletter can also be found online at catholicparishongar.org

Parochial Administrator: Fr. Frank Westcott

In Case of Emergency If there is no answer from the parish phone and you are seeking a priest in an emergency then please call one of the local parishes - either Loughton 02085083492 or Epping 01992572516 or any nearby parish.

RCIA Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith? RCIA sessions will hopefully begin soon, please contact the presbytery office or see me after Mass. Fr Frank

Baptism This weekend we look forward to welcoming Benita Omohuma as a newly baptised member of our parish and God's family. Remember their parents who are the "first and best teachers of their children in the ways of the Faith".

Charity Afternoon You are invited to enjoy Tea and cake at st Margaret's on Saturday 18th October 2-4pm. Please pop in if you can. My daughter Yasmin is doing the London marathon next year and is raising funds for St Francis Hospice. All Donations greatly received. Many thanks, Sue Tossun

World Mission Sunday - Missio - 19th October

'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples'

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God loves them and to be strengthened by God's Spirit. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need. To donate, use the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

There will be a special Holy Hour Parish Service at **3pm at St Margarets on Sunday 19th October** for Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples - our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas. This will be followed by tea and cakes - bakers needed please! Please remember to bring your Missio 'red box' with your name on it so that it can be returned to you. Please continue to support the raffles after all Masses. As always, thank you for your generosity. Mary Cox.

Parish Quiz and Lunch - Saturday 22nd November

Join us for a fun quiz and lunch on Saturday 22nd November at 12pm at St Margaret's Hall, Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst. Only £10 per person. Tables of 6-8, you can book a table or allow us to allocate you a place. All welcome. For tickets contact Jane 01277821204 or Bernie 01277821986

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

The Church has always encouraged us to pray for the faithful departed. November is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Souls — a time when we lovingly remember all our deceased family members and friends in a special way.

If you would like your departed loved ones to be remembered in prayer throughout this month, please complete a November Deceased List and return via the presbytery or one of the Sunday Mass collections by 2nd November.

Envelopes are provided at St Helen's and St. Margaret's. You may include a Mass offering if you wish (this is entirely optional).

A basket containing the envelopes will be placed near the altar where Mass will be offered every day during November for our deceased loved ones.

This is a beautiful and meaningful Catholic tradition. I warmly encourage all parishioners to consider attending an extra Mass (or more) during the week in remembrance and prayer. *God bless, Fr Frank*

As part of compliance with safeguarding, any children under 16 using the Presbytery toilet will need to be accompanied by an adult. Please also be careful when using the uneven stairs in the accessway.

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Margaret Payne 01277 362203 and Audrey McGill 01277 823485

Please note there is Hearing Loop available at St Helen's Church.

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: Oct 11/12 5.30pm: 25 Sun 8.45am: 25 10.30am: 27

Offertory Cash/Chq Collection: £182.33

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.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) (World Mission Sunday)

SAT 18 OCT	St H 2pm	Baptism - Benita Omohuma
	St H 4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	St H 5.30pm	Hayley Duff & Family Int (Joan Dowsett) People of the Parish
SUN 19 OCT	St H 8.45am	Gilda Di Lorenza RIP (Paul Falco)
	St M 10.30am	Cornelius Coughlin RIP Anniv. (Corinne Adams)
	St M 3pm	Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
MON 20 OCT		<i>No Weekday Parish Mass</i>
TUE 21 OCT	St H 9.00am	Weekday Parish Mass
WED 22 OCT	St H 9.00am	Weekday Parish Mass
THU 23 OCT	St H 9.00am	Weekday Parish Mass
FRI 24 OCT	St H 9.00am	Weekday Parish Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

SAT 25 OCT	St H 4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	St H 5.30pm	Sarah Cowley RIP (Peggy Maxwell)
SUN 26 OCT	St H 8.45am	Frankie Harmon RIP Anniv. 25/10 (Lillie, Marvin & All Parishioners)
	St M 10.30am	Eddie Terry Int. (Carol Terry & Family) People of the Parish

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at St Margarets on request.

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, Douglas Jordan, John Varellas, Bruno Vassallo, Fr. Emile Nkumu, Richard Denton, Theresa Aikin, Finlay Wilson and Family, David Love, Curtis & Family, Hayley Duff & Family.

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.**