

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon 10:00am John Foley RIP

[St Patrick's Feast Day](#)

Tues 10:00am Personal Intention

Weds 10:00am Annette Bernard RIP

[St Joseph's Feast Day](#)

Thurs 10:00am For Fathers

Fri 10:00am Holy Souls

[Stations of the Cross after Mass](#)

**5th Sunday in Lent**

Sat 06:00pm Christian Unity

Sun 08:30am Int of Lucy

10:00am People of the Parish

12:00noon Peace in the Middle East

**CONFESSION**

Time for a chat. Just an assessment of how my life is going. If God calls today, am I ready to see him face to face? Socrates said, *"The unexamined life is not worth living."* That's what confession is about. Just looking at my life in the light of the Gospel. Have I moved on any bit in the last year. An extra prayer, have I helped someone, told someone about Jesus. Have I tried to deepen my faith any little bit? learnt a bit more. Prepare my Mass. Many people say they have not sinned. Often because they do not know what sin is? Have I tried to educate myself?

**Fr Jack**

We see the care of Jesus for the sick in today's Gospel. He reaches out and touches him, very incarnational, God becoming a man. In our faith we also need to be very human. Reaching out to each other in love. Jesus asked him to go and wash in the pool, something very simple. Much of what Jesus asks is also very simple. Welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, Give thanks to the Father. Be kind and generous to each other and God. Then the reward will be great. Great here and now and greater here after. Enjoy your faith.

**Visit to Greenhithe Nursing Home.**

Two weeks ago, the confirmation group visited the cemetery and prayed for the dead. Last week they visited GH Nursing Home. One of our young people wrote; *"Personally when I went to the nursing home I was at first quite awkward but it was a nice soothing environment. Everyone there was really kind, offering us biscuits and squash. It was refreshing to speak to Jenny, learning about her experiences when she was younger and me and Mary had some shared interests, such as Jennie both enjoyed knitting and drinking tea. I also watched others playing scrabble where one of the ladies swore. I wish to return back again to play scrabble and I really wanted to participate in the game. Overall it was a great experience and I hope to return again."*

**GOOD NEWS**

The best news I have heard in a long time. The CWO is now working with the Legion of Mary and hopefully they will be starting the Junior Legion of Mary within a very short time. That is for children who have made their first communion. Please parents support this initiative. The CWO also hopes to take a few more initiatives in the parish. Hip, Hip Hip Hurray.

The following day Fr Jack called the Manager who said it was a wonderful experience for the old people and hoped we could do it every month. Congratulations to your catechists and parents who made the visit possible. Next week they hope to Visit Klings.

**Parish Council**

**Meeting this Friday evening at 8pm  
by Zoom.**

**Alter Servers 48th Annual Rally  
The Friars, Aylesford Priory Kent  
Monday 4th May 2026**

Full day 8am-5pm  
Please let Fr Jack know if you are  
interested

**2nd Collection Next Week  
Is for Poor Parishes.**