

## Parish of St Peter & The Good Shepherd Bearsted & Harrietsham

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## Newsletter

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Parish Deacon: Reverend Cyril Durbin: 01622 630055

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St Francis Primary, Queen's Road, Maidstone ME16 0LB (Telephone: 771540)

The Holy Family Primary, Bicknor Road, Park Wood, Maidstone ME15 9PS (*Telephone: 756778*) St Simon Stock Catholic Secondary, Oakwood Park, Maidstone ME16 0JP (*Telephone: 754551*)

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## A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PAUL MASON

Dear Parishioners,

As you may have heard, the Holy Father has appointed me Bishop of the Armed Forces and I will be taking up my new post after the summer break.

I would like to thank you all for your prayers and support these past few years. I have very much enjoyed my time in Kent and will miss being the Area Bishop.

But I do look forward to this new apostolate and my installation will be on 12th September at 11.30am at the Cathedral of St Michael and St George in Aldershot to which you are most welcome.

With prayers and best wishes,

+Paul

**HIROSHIMA and NAGASAKI** The annual remembrance of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings takes place in the Choir Chapel at Aylesford Priory on **Monday 6th August**, starting at 8.20 pm. All are welcome to attend, *not just Catholics*.

DIARY for WEEK BEGINNING 29th JULY 2018 (Masses and Devotions marked '(H)' are at Harrietsham)			
₩ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (B) ₩			
Sun 29th	Saturday	6.00pm	▼ Vigil Mass: In thanksgiving
	Sunday	<i>(H)</i> 8.45am	Mass: Breda Curtin RIP
		10.30am	Mass: Pro Populo
Mon 30th	Feria	7.00pm	Mass: For a Special Intention
Tues 31st	St Ignatius of Loyola	10.00am	Mass: Sister Margaret
Wed 1st Aug.	St Alphonsus Liguori	<i>(H)</i> 10.00am	Mass: Bernard Bligh RIP
Thu 2nd	Feria	7.00am	₩ Mass
Fri 3rd	Feria	10.00am	₩ Mass
Sat 4th	St John Vianney	5-5.30pm	Confessions
₩ EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (B) ₩			
Sun 5th	Saturday	6.00pm	⊮ Vigil Mass: Pro Populo
	Sunday	<i>(H)</i> 8.45am	Mass: Margaret Smith RIP
		10.30am	Mass: Deacon David Pease RIP

**Thank you** for your offerings last week to help run our parish: £341.96 (Gift Aided, £161.50; weekly standing orders, paid direct into our bank, amount to £190.00).