

News from the Shrine of Saint Jude

Welcome



Welcome to the latest issue of *Saint Jude*Focus - updating the friends of Saint Jude
on what is happening here in Faversham.

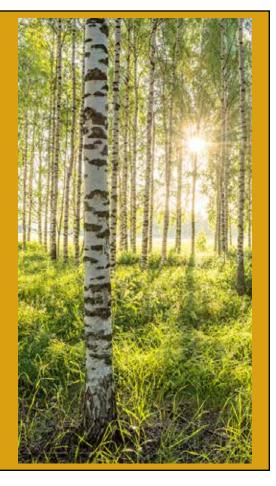
As Fr. Brendan wrote in the recent newsletter: "God's own creation is opening itself anew to the touch of new life." Spring is a season of hope. As the travel writer Ernest Hemingway wrote: "...the river will flow again after it was frozen..." - spring brings forth new life and hope of sunnier colourful landscapes. It is the season of new starts and ideas bursting from the ground like the return of daffodils, blue bells and grass.

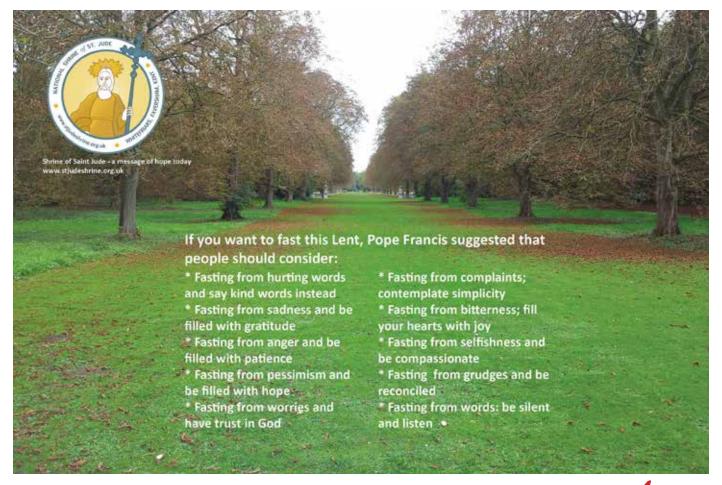
Looking Ahead

The Archbishop of Canterbury (our neighbour to Faversham) said in his New Year message: "...when we plant a seed, we don't see the fruit immediately. But under the surface, God is working with what we have planted..."

Integral to living out the Carmelite charism is a commitment by the Carmelite Family to building peace, upholding justice, and maintaining the integrity of God's Creation. The Carmelite Family in Britain and across the world seeks to preach Christ's Good News and build up God's kingdom on earth by living in solidarity with the planet and its people.

The Garden of Hope behind the Shrine Office will soon begin to see the first buds of spring. The seeds planted now will show themselves for all to enjoy. We thank our gardener for his work over the winter making sure it is kept special and truly a 'Garden of Hope'.





May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance Letter of Saint Jude, verse 2



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