Website Privacy Policy

Effective Date: 1st August 2026

Introduction

Ramsgate & Minster Parish - St Ethelbert & St Gertrude is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy. This Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, disclose, and safeguard your personal information when you visit our website.

We process personal data in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), the Data Protection Act 2018, and other applicable laws.

Who We Are

Ramsgate & Minster Parish – St Ethelbert & St Gertrude
Address: 72 Hereson Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 7DS. United Kingdom
Email: ramsgate@rcaos.org
Telephone: 01843 594031

Information We Collect

We may collect and process the following information:

Information You Provide

- Name
- Email address
- Postal address
- Telephone number
- Information submitted via contact forms
- Information provided when registering for events or subscribing to newsletters

Information Collected Automatically

When you visit our website, we may automatically collect:

- IP address
- Browser type and version
- Device information
- Pages visited
- Date and time of visits
- Website usage statistics

How We Use Your Information

We use your personal data to:

- Respond to enquiries and communications
- Manage parish activities and events
- Send newsletters and parish updates (where consent has been given)
- Improve website functionality and user experience
- Maintain website security
- Comply with legal and regulatory obligations

Lawful Basis for Processing

We process personal data under one or more of the following lawful bases:

- Consent
- Legitimate interests
- Performance of a contract
- Compliance with legal obligations

Cookies

Our website may use cookies and similar technologies to improve your experience.

Cookies may be used to:

- Remember user preferences
- Analyse website traffic
- Enhance website functionality

You can control cookies through your browser settings. Disabling cookies may affect website functionality.

Sharing Your Information

We do not sell your personal information.

We may share information with:

- Website hosting providers
- IT and technology service providers
- Email and communication service providers
- Legal, regulatory, or government authorities where required by law

All third-party providers are required to protect your personal data.

Data Retention

We retain personal information only for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes for which it was collected, comply with legal obligations, resolve disputes, and enforce our policies.

Security

We take reasonable technical and organisational measures to protect personal information against unauthorised access, disclosure, alteration, or destruction.

However, no method of internet transmission is completely secure.

Your Rights

Under data protection law, you have the right to:

- Access your personal data
- Request correction of inaccurate data
- Request erasure of your data
- Restrict processing
- Object to processing
- Request data portability
- Withdraw consent where processing is based on consent

To exercise these rights, please contact us using the details provided above.

Children's Privacy

We do not knowingly collect personal information from children without appropriate consent where required by law.

Links to Other Websites

Our website may contain links to external websites. We are not responsible for their privacy practices and encourage you to review their privacy policies.

Changes to This Privacy Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time. Any changes will be posted on this page with an updated effective date.

Contact Us

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy or how your personal information is handled, please contact:

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Complaints

If you are unhappy with how we handle your personal information, you may lodge a complaint with:

Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF
Website: https://ico.org.uk
Telephone: 0303 123 1113

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