

# ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 28 MAY 2023

## SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**Sunday 28 MAY – PENTECOST SUNDAY** (Year A–Weekly Cycle 1) *Parish Mass Book p 288*

8.00am Mass: Margaret and Joe Walsh RIP  
**Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am**  
10.00am Mass: Julianna Nkeng Fotabe RIP  
6.00 pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

**Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Mary, Mother of the Church**  
9.00am Rosary  
9.30am 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Mass: Aurea and Joel

**Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Feria**  
9.00am Rosary  
9.30am Mass: For the speedy recovery of Keith Howarth

**Wed 31<sup>st</sup> The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
9.00am Rosary  
9.30am Mass: Anthony Cleere and Family

**Thur 1<sup>st</sup> June Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest**  
9.00am Rosary  
9.30am Mass: Mr Davis Shepherd RIP

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> SS Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**  
9.00am Rosary  
9.30am Mass: Wellbeing of Rasa and Steve Jack

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**  
9.00am Mass: Fr Miller RIP and all the priests and nuns who worked and died in Uganda.  
9.30am **Holy Hour** - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction, Confessions

**Sunday 4 JUNE – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A)**

8.00am Mass: Robert Simpson RIP  
**Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am**  
10.00am Mass: Katerina Goclari RIP  
6.00pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

Readers 28<sup>th</sup> May 8am: Valentino Ferdis  
Readers 4<sup>th</sup> June 8am: Mark Murphy  
Counters 30<sup>th</sup> May Pauline and Una

10am: Louisa Nkohkwo  
10am: Tony Gernon  
Cleaners w/c 30<sup>th</sup> May

6pm: Aurea Coloma  
6pm: Ruth MacKinley  
Audry and Siobhan

**SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS** – Tammy Finan and Steve Kearney

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### **TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE - BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC**

**Sacrament of Baptism** – please speak to Fr Peter before fixing a baptismal date and reception venue.

**Sacrament of the Eucharist** – see above, Mass times

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance**

Confessions: Sundays 9.15am-9.45am,  
Saturdays 9.45 am -10.15 am during Holy Hour,  
and after every weekday Mass or by appointment

**Sacrament of Confirmation** – annual course for baptised young Catholics – please apply to Fr Peter

**Sacrament of Marriage** – please speak to Fr Peter at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

**Sacrament of Healing** – It is our duty to call a priest to anoint family members in failing health. Please try to give notice if at all possible and don't leave it to the last minute. It brings consolation to the dying as well as healing to the sick. It can be administered at church, in hospital, care home, at home, indeed anywhere. Make sure you are anointed before an operation with general anaesthetic.

**Sacrament of Ordination and consecration** to the sacred Priesthood and Religious life – please speak to Fr Peter who will connect you with our vocations director.

### **ST CATHERINE'S SACRAMENTAL COURSES**

- **Baptism course** – as required
- **Confirmation**: every Friday 6.15 pm to 8.00pm
- **First Holy Communion** children and parents: every Sunday 11.15 am to 12.15 pm.
- **To become a Catholic** – by appointment to discuss your needs.
- **Marriage preparation** – Please do not finalise the wedding date or a church venue or a reception venue before speaking to Fr Peter.

**PLEASE PRAY for the sick** especially Cindy Albright, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Delia Gallagher, Marie Gilbert & Family, Martin Jackson, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Jimmy Murphy, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Chris Raymond, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas and residents of the Amy Woodgate Residential Home.

### **Last Week's Offertory**

**£768.12** (of which £319.00 is Gift Aided envelopes, £175.00 Gift Aided bank standing orders and £274.12 cash)

### **Catholic Communications Network (CCN)**

**£163.59** (of which £30.00 is Gift Aided envelopes).

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*Tea and coffee are served every Sunday in the hall after 10am Mass. All welcome.*  
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The Parish Office is normally open on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from **10am until 12noon**. All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times.  
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***If you would like Mass to be offered please write clearly and complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope. For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least eight weeks' notice to avoid disappointment.***

**Kingston Hospital** If you are admitted to Kingston Hospital, it is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of a patient in the Hospital please call the Hospital Main Switchboard on 020 8546 7711 who will contact the Chaplain.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY - THE HOLY SPIRIT BRINGS YOU HERE! THE HOLY SPIRIT PREPARES US FOR MISSION!**

You all come from many different backgrounds and you are all endowed with a variety of wonderful gifts. Young and old, families and single people, you come here regularly to draw on *the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit*. I thank God for you from the bottom of my heart, and specifically today I thank the Holy Spirit of God. What makes you come here week after week? It is the Holy Spirit who brings you to Christ, who gives you knowledge of Christ. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God's truth and love. He is fully God, yet the distinct third person of the Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is from the mouth of Jesus himself that we know about the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. It is not some human construct. And it is Jesus himself who has told us that he would send us the Holy Spirit, after his Ascension, to guide his Church towards eternal life. It is the Spirit of God, there at Creation, sometimes represented as God's breath, or a wind or a peaceful breeze; sometimes as a dove; sometimes as fire, the fire of love, the very fire that galvanized the Apostles to spread the knowledge of Christ across the globe. So too with us at St Catherine's, the Spirit will enable us to fulfil OUR MISSION to spread the Good News, that Jesus, fully God and fully human, has saved humanity from sin and death and by his resurrection will take us to live eternally in the love between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will give us the language, the knowledge and the confidence to continue the mission.

**A YOUNG LADY SEEKS TO RENT A ROOM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

A young, reliable Catholic lady from Goa, who has been studying in Bristol, has been offered a job in Tolworth. She would like to rent a room with a reliable family or single women in the general Chessington area. Can you help? She has excellent references. If you would like more information, contact our longstanding parishioner: **Cristabela Pereira on 07909 093963.**

**NEW SACRAMENTAL COURSE – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FOR TEENAGERS - WE LOVE YOU!**

I am aware that there are older children and teenagers who were unable in the past for whatever reason to attend a First Holy Communion / First Confession course. We are therefore starting on **Saturday 17 June at 11 am** a new weekly course to meet the needs of these young people. This course may also lead to the Sacrament of Confirmation. The purpose of this notice is to invite all those young people who fall into this category to join the course. Parishioners may know of other teenagers who have stopped coming to Mass, because they have not been received into Holy Communion or for some other reason. Please do tell them that Jesus and his Church want them and love them and embrace them and they are most welcome. NOTE: this is more like a course for adults and at the ceremony itself it will not be necessary for female teenagers to wear white dresses. Candidates should simply dress smartly.

**Baptised Catholic adults who have not received First Holy Communion or Confirmation can join our adult course known as RCIA. Please contact Fr Peter now about both courses. They will be fun.**

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES  
A DAY WITH MARY AND  
PARISH SUMMER GATHERING  
SATURDAY 1 JULY 12 NOON  
FOLLOWING A MORNING OF  
PRAYER AND REFLECTION WITH MARY  
WHEN WE RECEIVE AGAIN**

**THE PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

The Pilgrim Statue will be with us once again this year to help us pray and gather as Christians. More details soon.

**DEEPEN YOUR DAILY PRAYER LIFE SO THAT YOU  
MAY BE ABLE TO SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS!  
RECEIVE THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
INTO YOUR HOME FOR A WEEK  
STARTS TODAY, SUNDAY 28 MAY**

We are launching a **new prayer initiative** for you and your families which enables you to consecrate (make holy) your home, whether you are single or a family. The *World Apostolate of Fatima in England & Wales* (WAF E&W) has organised a **portable statue of the Pilgrim Virgin** to visit parishioners' homes, having been blessed at the sanctuary of our church, to encourage us, as we kneel in prayer before the Mother of the Holy Family, to entrust to her loving care all the struggles and difficulties, joys and sorrows, which we experience day by day in our own family. Remember, this is veneration and not adoration of Mother Mary, asking for her intercession and support. If you would like to have the statue enthroned in your home for a week, please ask **Aurea Coloma**, the **parish custodian of the statue**, to give you a sign-up form to complete and return to Aurea:

E-mail: [aureakate19@gmail.com](mailto:aureakate19@gmail.com) Tel: 07713 149269

**THE MANY SPIRITUAL BENEFITS OF  
FAMILY CONSECRATION**

1. When a family is consecrated to Mary's Immaculate Heart, its home is opened to **her maternal influence**.
2. When Jesus and Mary are invited to a home, through the Act of Consecration prayer, they will take a greater part in **the life of the family**.
3. Jesus and Mary will **enrich the spiritual life** of each member of the family.
4. Mary acts in a motherly way, bringing the members of the family back to the state of grace by leading them to the sacrament of reconciliation and **helping them to grow in holiness** through the practice of her virtues. Her Immaculate Heart "will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." (from Lucia's Memoirs, Fatima, page 168)
5. The Holy Family is the model of all family life. When the family consecration is lived daily, families receive in their homes the peace that Jesus promised to give, the **love of the hearts of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**, and the true joy which comes from God alone.
6. Jesus was born in a stable because families would not open their doors to Him. How many graces they let pass by! The Holy Family is knocking on doors now. **Open the door through the family consecration** and let Jesus and Mary enter. Your family will surely receive a special outpouring of grace!