

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 9 JULY 2023

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 9 JULY – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Year A–Weekly Cycle 1) *Parish Mass Book p 99*

8.00am Mass: Michael Durrant RIP
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00am Mass: Kevin Holman RIP
6.00 pm Mass: For the People of the Parish
Mon 10th No Rosary or Mass today
Tues 11th Saint Benedict
12.00am Mass: Emma, Peter and Archie Brincat
Wed 12th Feria
9.00am Rosary
9.30am Mass: Maria Keaveney Jessiman RIP
Thur 13th Feria – No 9.30 am Mass today
10.30am FUNERAL MASS: PHILOMENA MANCHE RIP
Friday 14th Feria
9.00am Rosary
9.30am Mass: Wellbeing of Mary Keoghan
Sat 15th July St Bonaventure
09.00am Mass: Wellbeing of Kitty Madden
09.30am **Holy Hour** – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction, Confessions

Sunday 16 JULY – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00am Mass: Mary Redmond RIP
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00am Mass: Lucy and Chin – 50th Wedding Anniversary
6.00pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS AFTER EVERY MASS THIS WEEK

Readers 9th July 8am: Valentino Ferdis
Readers 16th July 8am: Alberto Ravano
Counters 9th July Karen and Peter

10am: Steve Kearney
10am: Cristabela Pereira
Cleaners w/c 10th July

6pm: Paul Johnston
6pm: Ruth MacKinley
Aurea's Group

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.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

“Come to me all who labour and are overburdened, for I will give you rest.”

We rejoice because we have been given so much to make our way to eternal happiness bathed in the love between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. And what is the best way to come to our Lord Jesus Christ? By doing the will of the Father in our lives, as Jesus himself did the will of the Father. We let Jesus share our burden by developing our spiritual life, as St Paul says.

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 Pencyate, Chris Raymond, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Anne Srivastava, DS Aiden Taylor, Coby Thomas and residents of the Amy Woodgate Residential Home.

Last Week's Offertory

£916.68 (of which £390.20 is Gift Aided envelopes, £175 is Gift Aided bank standing orders and £351.48 cash)

Peter's Pence

£113.40 (of which £4 is Gift Aided Envelopes)

TODAY there will be a retiring collection for STELLA MARIS (formerly the Apostleship of the Sea)

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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.**

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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.

PARISH CENSUS AND SURVEY NEXT SUNDAY

I am aware that the parish has continued to grow the further away we move from the COVID pandemic. There are many people in the parish who have not formally registered and our records are now out of date. The purpose of the census is to help me your priest in my pastoral work for you and to take care of your spiritual needs. I am also keen to be able to communicate securely by e-mail with the whole parish as we begin to move into the next phase of **parish renewal**. After discussion at our recent parish meeting about the future of the parish, we decided to conduct a parish census and also run a short survey to hear your thoughts about the parish and where we want to be as we take part in the Archbishop's drive to make us a **missionary diocese and missionary parish** (known as "Called to bear fruit." There will be a more formal survey of the people at a later date as part of this "**Called to bear fruit**" umbrella initiative.

A DAY WITH OUR LADY OF FATIMA

On behalf of the parish I would like to thank Jerry Rivera, the National President of the *World Apostolate of Fatima* (WAF) (England & Wales) and his excellent team for organising for us the **Visitation of the Pilgrim Statue** of Our Lady of Fatima. It was a spiritually enriching day for us. **Photographs** of the parish visitation are on the WAF webpage. You may click on the link and share it with others.

<http://www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/>

Please also see the WAF facebook page for up-to-date information about the WAF's work and Fatima-related celebrations.

<https://www.facebook.com/fatima.apparitions1917/>

Jerry would like to reiterate the invitation to the parish to join him for the National Pilgrimage to Fatima in July 2024. He will be providing the dates in 2024 after this year's pilgrimage.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC)

To serve better the needs of our parishioners, I would now like to rebuild a team after the COVID years who can visit the sick and housebound and give them Holy Communion under my guidance. I am not entirely sure who has been trained as an EMHC. The EMHC core role is to take Holy Communion to the sick. I would be grateful if those who have been trained **could approach me**. To handle the precious Body of Christ one must live the sacramental life.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

CATHEDRAL SEMINAR – Saturday 28 October

"Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion in Our Parishes, Schools and Communities". This seminar will take place at the **Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Southwark, from 9.30am to 4.00pm on Saturday 28 October 2023**. This is an initiative of our own Archdiocese by the *Commission for Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion* chaired by Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for Southeast London. On the day there will be contributions from a range of speakers, including our Archbishop John Wilson. For more information and registration, please use this link <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/commission-for-promoting-racial-and-cultural-inclusion/what-we-do/>. Or write to: racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk. Please join us for a stimulating and hope-filled day of discussion. **Registration is FREE.**

TODAY IS SEA SUNDAY - APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA - STELLA MARIS CHARITY - SECOND COLLECTION

Every year churches around the world celebrate Sea Sunday. It is a day for people to come together to pray for seafarers and fishers, and thank them for the vital role they play in all of our lives. 90% of world trade is transported by ship. But the life of a modern seafarer can be dangerous and lonely, spending up to a year at a time away from home and their family. *Stella Maris* is a Catholic Charity supporting seafarers worldwide. It provides practical and pastoral care to all seafarers and their families, regardless of nationality or belief. Port chaplains visit ships and seafarers, offer a welfare service, advice, care and friendship. Some 250 ports around the world are covered. *Stella Maris* relies wholly on voluntary contributions. Please help with a donation.

www.stellamaris.org.uk

THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP TODAY

SALE OF RELIGIOUS ITEMS AFTER ALL MASSES

The Bethlehem Nativity Group, a missionary group from Bethlehem, will talk briefly at the end of every Mass today about the Holy Land and sell **religious articles made out of Olive Wood**. The proceeds will help and support the poor Christian families living there. Any help you can give to them it will be highly appreciated (when you help the poor you help our Lord). The articles for sale are high quality and have been sold in several parishes in our Deanery over many years.

CATHEDRAL MASS TO CELEBRATE MARRIAGE

If you are celebrating a 1st/10th/25th/30th/40th/50th/60th or any other significant wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at **3pm on 23 September**. Close family members are welcome. To receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, either give your details to your parish priest or email them to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk. The details needed are: full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish. **The deadline is 31 July 2023.**

SPREAD THE WORD MASS AT 12 noon EVERY TUESDAY!

I recently had a conversation with the Amy Woodgate Residential home to see whether the residents would like to attend Mass during the week. The 9.30 am daily Mass is too early to enable many older people from getting to Mass. I am therefore experimenting with a 12 noon Mass on Tuesdays instead of the usual 9.30 am Mass. This may enable older parishioners in other locations to attend a weekday Mass and it may encourage some older parishioners who want to avoid a crowded church on a Sunday. *Please always check the newsletter for the times of Masses during the week until the times stabilize.*

FUNERAL SERVICE AT CHURCH

Philomena (Phil) Manche who died on 10 June
Requiem Mass and funeral:
Thursday 13 July at 10.30 am St Catherine's