

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 14 JULY 2024

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 14 JULY – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book p106

8.00am Mass: Michael Durrant RIP
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00am Mass: John Kinahan RIP
6.00pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

Mon 15th NO MASS TODAY

Tues 16th NO MASS TODAY

Wed 17th NO MASS TODAY

Thurs 18th NO MASS TODAY

Fri 19th NO MASS TODAY

Sat 20th NO MASS TODAY

SUNDAY 21 JULY – SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book p109

8.00am Mass: John Kinahan RIP
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00am Mass: Eternal Peace of Richard Grey RIP
6.00pm Mass: Aurea Coloma – Thanksgiving Birthday

SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS—Tammy Finan and Steve Kearney
E-mail: chessingtonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

Readers 14th July 8am: Alberto Ravano

Readers 21st July 8am: Volunteer

Counters 15th July Pauline and Una

10am: Kate Moir

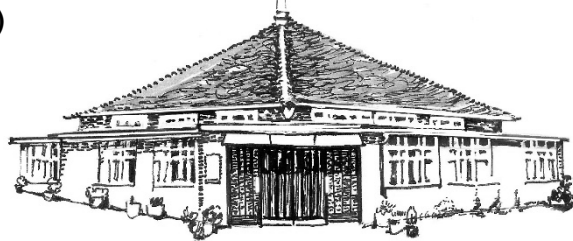
10am: Shehara Gamage

Cleaners w/c 15th July

6pm: Frances Harryman

6pm: Howard Brinkworth

Concie, Rovena and Inoka



Weekly Offertory Sunday 7th July

£792.32 (£261 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £52 Gift Aided Contactless, £18 Non Gift Aid Contactless and £286.32 cash)

TODAY collection for Stella Maris (formerly The Apostleship of the Sea). Envelopes are available in the church foyer if you would like to Gift Aid your donation.

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.

Mass Intentions Complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope (please do write clearly). For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least **eight weeks' notice to avoid disappointment**.

TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE - BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC CHERISH THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

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, Thursdays 10.15 am – 10.45 am, and after 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, including those suffering from mental illness and dementia. 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.

THE PRAYER OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

Holy Spirit, come into my heart; draw it to Thee by Thy power, O my God, and grant me charity with filial fear. Preserve me, O beautiful love, from every evil thought; warm me, inflame me with Thy dear love, and every pain will seem light to me. My Father, my sweet Lord, help me in all my actions. Jesus, love. Jesus, *love*. **Amen**

Kingston Hospital If you are admitted to 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Marie Gilbert & Family, 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, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmateer Soodin, Anne Srivastava, and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

TODAY IS THE DESIGNATED SUNDAY TO MARK THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

OUR ARCHBISHOP HAS A VISION THAT THERE SHOULD BE A "PERMANENT DEACON" IN EVERY PARISH

Dear Brothers and Sisters - As you know, there are three stages to ordination in the Catholic clergy: **deacon, priest and bishop**. A deacon is dedicated to Christ the servant; a priest to Christ who sacrificed himself to save us from sin and death; a bishop to Christ who teaches and guides the flock. To be a priest one has to be a ordained deacon first; to be a bishop, one has to be a deacon and priest first. But there is a special type of deacon, one who does not go on to become a priest but who focuses on the blessed vocation of a deacon in its own right. This is known as a "Permanent Deacon." There are about 80 permanent deacons in our archdiocese. They play a vital role in nurturing the spiritual and pastoral life of a parish.

WHAT IS A PERMANENT DEACON? – THE THREEFOLD MINISTRY

Permanent deacons are members of the clergy. Married men over the age of 35 and single men over the age of 26 may be ordained deacon. Single men make a promise of celibacy, like the priestly order. Deacons are ordained to exercise the threefold ministry of service to:

1. The Word – preaching and teaching 2. The altar and liturgy – devotion to the Eucharist 3. Charity - service

They proclaim the Gospel at Mass and preach the Word; they teach the Word and lead various study groups, prayer and house groups and sacramental programmes like Confirmation, Holy Communion and RCIA. They assist the bishop or priest at Mass and at other liturgies. They have a special devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and lead Benediction. They administer the Sacrament of Baptism and conduct wedding services, preparing couples for marriage. They lead funeral services. They are ministers of charity and service by, for example, visiting prisons, hospitals, care homes and hospices, supporting the sick and the dying, the lonely and the bereaved, and taking Holy Communion to those in need. They are chaplains in prisons, universities and schools. They deal with parishioner's problems, including assisting with marriage papers concerning the validity of marriages. They help with fund raising and many charitable causes.

Many have full time jobs or, if retired, come with a wealth of knowledge and experience of the world of work as businessmen, care workers, scientists and technicians, computer specialists, civil servants, educators, academics, in the police and fire services, the NHS, finance, law, medicine, music and the arts. As such they are clergy out in the world, witnessing to the truth and love of Christ. I began my life in the clergy as such a Deacon. But crucially, if married with a family, a Permanent Deacon's wife and children come first.

If you think God is calling you to become a permanent deacon, please come and have a chat with me or contact the director of formation for the Permanent Diaconate, Deacon Ian Black at: ianblack@rcaos.org.uk

For more information, go to: www.rcaos.org.uk/vocations/is-god-calling-me/the-diaconate/

TODAY SECOND COLLECTION

14 JULY IS SEA SUNDAY

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA - STELLA MARIS

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 and offer a welfare service, advice, care and friendship. Some 250 ports around the world are covered. *Stella Maris* relies wholly on voluntary contributions. You can donate:

- in the second collection after Mass,
- or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate
- or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

For more information and resources

www.stellamaris.org.uk

Catholic Bishops' Conference www.cbcew.org.uk

PARISH SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING NEWS

CAKE SALE AND COFFEE LAST SUNDAY

We raised £622

A huge thank you to everyone who was involved in the cake sale, to the coordinators Hong Ravano & Renata Florencio and to the many of you who baked delicious cakes, and to the whole parish who bought them! What a success! Also, for those who strained to "guess the weight of the cake" competition, the cake weighed 1.08 kg. The winners believe it or not were two of our young altar servers, Aaron and Tereza who quite independently correctly guessed the weight and so shared the cake! We will hold a cake sale every first Sunday of the each month.

TODAY

IMPORTANT NEXT MEETING

OF THE SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING TEAM Sunday 14 July after the 10 am Mass in our Hall

Come and discuss fundraising ideas over a coffee. All are welcome to attend, even if you have not attended before; and bring new ideas. We have got off to a flying start with last month's Plant Sale which raised over £900 and this month's Cake Sale which raised over £600. Thanks!

AS OUR SUMMER HOLIDAYS APPROACH LET'S NOT LOSE FOCUS ON OUR KEY PARISH PROJECTS:

- Evangelisation plan and formation of a parish evangelisation team to lead this work, teach and spread the faith.
- Survey of parishioners' views about the parish and how we want it to continue to develop.
- Children's Liturgy group at the Sunday 10 am Mass.
- Youth Ministry – regular suppers and events with spiritual input for all teenagers.
- Fundraising and social events team.
- Art, Architecture and Buildings team – beautification of the parish and essential repairs.
- Final refurbishment of the Presbytery.
- Continuing development of the parish choir and liturgical music, altar servers, sacristans.

May the Holy Spirit who brings us to Christ spur us on.

Please continue to approach Fr Peter if you wish to be involved in any of the above. You are most welcome