

# ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2024

### SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

#### SUNDAY 8 SEPTEMBER – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

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8.00 am Mass: *Thanksgiving for prayers answered-New Home Rena and Anthony McKinnon*

**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: *Louis Reeves RIP*

6.00 pm Mass: *Patrick Donnelly RIP*

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> NO MASS TODAY**

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Feria**

11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: *Martin Madden RIP*

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup> St Ambrose Barlow**

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: *Marie Many Fombin RIP*

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Name of Mary**

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: *Patricia Kelly and Family*

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> St John Chrysostom**

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: *Franco Cleere and Family*

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup> The Exaltation of The Holy Cross**

9.00 am Mass: *Fr Miller RIP and all the priests and nuns who worked and died in Uganda*

9.30 am Rosary, Holy Hour, **Confessions 9.45 am.**

#### SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER – TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book p132

8.00am Mass: *Wellbeing of Kit Brownrigg*

**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00am Mass: *For the People of the Parish*

6.00pm Mass: *Thanksgiving and memorial - Coloma Family*

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

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Readers 8<sup>th</sup> Sep 8am: Alberto Ravano

Readers 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 8am: Kristin Walsh

Counters 9<sup>th</sup> Sep Vera and Valentino

10am: Charissa Lobo

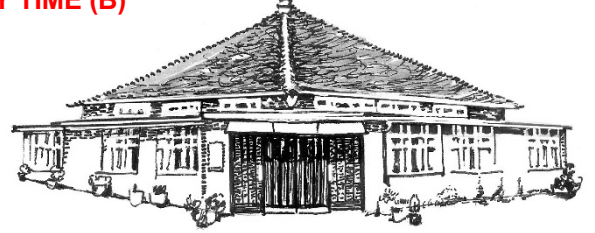
10am: Kate Moir

Cleaners w/c 9<sup>th</sup> Sep

6pm: Volunteer

6pm: Frances Harryman

Concie, Rovena and Inoka



#### Weekly Offertory Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August

**£717.71** (£232.50 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £20 Gift Aided Contactless, £15 non Gift Aided contactless and £275.21 cash)

**Today** there will be a retiring collection for the **Catholic Education Service**

**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.**

**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.

#### INVITATION TO ST. MARY THE VIRGIN – CHESSINGTON 850<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

St. Mary's Church (Church of England) this year is celebrating its 850th anniversary of when it was first mentioned in the records of Merton Priory (back in 1174) when the then Bishop of Winchester gave the priory the right to nominate a priest for "the chapel of Chissenden" ("Chessington"). We are invited to church celebrations on **Saturday 14 September** when there will be a "Gift Day" when the church will be open to all from 10 am to 4 pm displaying all its historical artefacts over 850 years.

#### THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL PASSAGE

#### WE'VE GOT TO GET STUCK IN; NO HALF MEASURES

Last Sunday we had Jesus defending his disciples eating without washing their hands. Today, we have Jesus rummaging in the mouth and ears of a deaf and dumb man, putting his own spittle on the afflicted man's tongue in order to cure him. What's going on? Jesus is showing us that God is really here with us, mucking in with us, accompanying us as we trudge through this broken world. He is not out there somewhere; he is right here supporting us in every way possible. No matter our condition he does not find us repulsive. He loves us. He loves us. And he wants us to love each other in exactly the same way. **Know, therefore, that Jesus loves you; please always remember that, trust in His infinite Mercy, Love and Forgiveness.**

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

Children starting Year 3 and above at school in September 2024 are eligible to apply for the course which will begin in late October/early November and run every Sunday after the 10 am Mass (11.15 am to 12.15 am) except during holidays and half term. The FHC ceremony will be on Saturday 21 June 2025 with further celebrations on Sunday 22 June, the Feast of Corpus Christ 2025. For application forms please go to the parish website; click here:

[Sacramental Life – St Catherine of Siena](#)

#### 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, Dharmattee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Terry Turner and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

**BECOME A CATHOLIC!**  
**Course available now (RCIA)**

- 1 - For adult non-Christians: to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confession, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
  - 2 - For adult non-Catholic Christians: Sacraments of Confession, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and to be received into the Catholic Church.
  - 3 - For Catholics not yet been confirmed or who have not received their First Holy Communion.
  - 4 - For non-Catholics who simply want to know more about the Catholic faith.
- Participants go at their own pace and are not placed under any pressure to become Catholics. Please contact me: [petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk)

**DIOCESAN SUPPORT INITIATIVES**  
**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE**  
**GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER**

**SYCAMORE GIFT** (Growing In Faith Together) is an online course for married and engaged couples. It consists of four one-hour-long sessions via Zoom and provides the opportunity for couples to enrich their friendship and love and explore their faith together. The course runs on four consecutive Tuesday evenings from 8pm to 9 pm beginning 10 September. To register click on the link: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/together>

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

**Grief In Loss: Hope In Christ** is a weekend for those who have been bereaved. This weekend, from **October 4-6**, will take place away from the pressures of day-to-day life and can help one begin to come to terms with bereavement. It is a time for quiet, prayer, talking and acceptance. The residential cost is £260 for a single, £230 each for a shared room. Due to the special nature of this weekend retreat, held at Aylesford Priory in Kent, places are limited and subject to a telephone call to determine if it is right for you – 01622 717 272 or email [reception@thefriars.org.uk](mailto:reception@thefriars.org.uk)

**FOR THE VICTIMS OF ABUSE**

Annual service of hope & healing for those who have been harmed by abuse and for those who work with or support those who have been harmed.  
**Date-25th September 2024 Time-6.30pm Venue- St George's Cathedral, SE1 7HY**

**THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE (CES)**  
**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

The CES acts on behalf of Catholic Bishops of England & Wales, dealing with all aspects of Catholic education. There are over 2,000 Catholic state schools, academies and colleges in England & Wales educating over 800,000 students. Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools. This is an important service and needs our support. Please donate as you leave.

**URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL WIMBLEDON**  
**Open Events for admission in September 2025**

Year 7 (Main School) & Year 12 (Sixth Form)

Tickets are now available to book via the **Open Events** web page for Year 7. **DON'T DELAY**

All open events are by ticketed entry only. Limited availability – click here for Year 12:  
[Open Events - Ursuline High School](#)

**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING NEWS**  
**LAUNCH OF THE MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW**  
**ENTER THE PRIZE DRAW FROM TODAY**  
**PICK UP A FLYER FOR DETAILS**

We are launching an exciting new initiative to raise vitally needed funds for our church whilst also creating a lucky winner within our community every month! For £10 per month you can be entered into the St Catherine's Monthly Prize Draw with the winner receiving 30% of monthly contributions. The draw will be made in the hall after 10am mass on the first Sunday of each month, with the first draw taking place on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

**How to sign up** - Monthly payments will be made by Direct Debit through the secure financial website **GoCardless** on the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month, with the first payment on 26<sup>th</sup> September. Please pick up a flyer or follow the link below to our Parish website for full details. The Prize Draw is open to all parishioners and their families and friends whether or not in this parish. The more people who sign up the bigger the prize pot and the more money we raise for our wonderful church of St Catherine. Follow this link:

[St Catherine's Monthly Prize Draw – St Catherine of Siena](#)

**CHRISTMAS FAIR - PREPARATION MEETING**  
**Sunday 15 September after 10 am Mass**

The Christmas Fair this year will be on Saturday 7 December 2024. We invite parishioners to get together over coffee in the church hall after the 10 am Mass on Sunday 15 September to discuss how to prepare for what is **one of the most important and fun parish and community events**.

**OUR CAKE SALE RAISED £410**

This is quite an amazing sum of money raised from a parish cake sale. Thank you so much to the Social and Fundraising Team, its bakers and to all of you who participated. The atmosphere of love and friendliness in the Parish gathering was wonderful. Thank you again! The winner of the "guess the weight of the Aurea's special cake" was Alwyn Pereira!

**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING TEAM**  
**NEXT MEETING**

Sunday 22 September after the 10 am Mass  
**DO JOIN THIS VERY LOVELY TEAM!**

**OUR 1980s PARTY!**  
**FOOD, MUSIC, DANCING, RAFFLES**

**Saturday 28 September 6 pm -10 pm**

Adults (over 18) - £15 13-17 - £7.50 12 & under – FREE (Price includes food). **PLEASE DONATE RAFFLE PRIZES**

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION**

**Pilgrimages and Visits for teenagers and young adults**

We invite you to join us for a meeting (date to be announced) to discuss the development of our *Youth Faith Formation Group*. **All are welcome, not only young people but also parents and helpers** who would like to influence the formation of the group and/or wish to be involved in some of the **excursions, visits, foreign trips and general activities**. If you are interested:

PLEASE CONTACT ME [petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk)

**THE CARDINAL VAUGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOOL**  
**Open Evenings for Year 7 (First Form pupils)**

These events are designed for parents and prospective pupils to attend. They will include an address from Mr Stubbings, Headmaster, and a tour of the school. **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 & Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. The Headmaster will speak at 4.30pm and 6.00pm. We suggest, therefore, that you arrive between 4:15 pm and 5:30 pm. You do not need to book for our Open Evenings. Full details are available on our website <https://www.cvms.co.uk/Admissions>