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

SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2025 – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C,1)

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8.00 am Mass: For the People of the Parish

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: Deceased members of the Fotabe Family

6.00 pm Mass: Coloma Family – in thanksgiving

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> NO MASS TODAY

**Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Feria** 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Rose McIntyre and Family

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup>** Feria 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Mick and Eileen Kearns

Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Feria

11.00 am FUNERAL MASS: Mary Carter RIP

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

9.00 am Rosary

Readers 7th Sept

Counters 7<sup>th</sup> Sept

9.30 am Mass: Rita Aguiar RIP
 Sat 13<sup>th</sup> St John Chrysostom
 9.00 am Mass: Betty Holohan

9.30 am Holy Hour, Rosary, Confessions 9.45 am

**SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2025** 

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

8.00am Mass: For the Marriage of James and Amy

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

8am: Valentino Ferdis

10.00 am Mass: For the wellbeing of the

Readers 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 8am: Alberto Ravano

People of the Parish

6.00 pm Mass: Jackie Woolliscroft RIP - Anniversary

Karen and Peter

Weekly Offertory 31st August 2025

£965.08 (£302 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £43 Gift Aided Contactless, £45 non Gift Aided Contactless and £400.08 cash).

**NEXT SUNDAY** is Education Day: there will be a collection for the Catholic Education Service.

<u>The Parish Office</u> is normally open for enquiries on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from **10am until 12noon**. All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times. <u>Mass Intentions</u> Complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope (please do write clearly). For anniversaries please book early to avoid disappointment as there is a very long waiting list.

<u>Kingston Hospital</u> 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 to contact the Chaplain.

LECTIO DIVINA – BIBLE STUDY
HAS MOVED THIS WEEK TO WEDNESDAY AT 8 PM

All welcome at any time to explore the Gospel of the following Sunday – moving and fun

10am: Tony Gernon 6pm: Ruth MacKinlay 10am: Pauline Holman 6pm: Kristin Walsh Cleaners w/c 8<sup>th</sup> Sept Concie, Rovena and Inoka

# RETREAT DAY AT ST CATHERINE OF SIENA SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2025

### VISITATION OF THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE AND THE RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO

9.20 am Start - procession and enthronement of Our Lady

9.35 am Holy Mass

10.20 am Veneration of the relics of SS Jacinta and Francisco

10.30 am Rosary and Reflection on Joyful Mysteries

11.00 am Talk on the Message of Fatima

12.15 am Lunch

1.00 pm Opportunity to buy literature on Fatima

1.15 pm Holy Hour and Confessions

2.15 pm Benediction

2.20 pm Docu-film on "Fatima: Message for the World."

2.50 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

3.00 pm Enrolment and Investiture of the Brown Scapulars

3.30 pm Final Blessing and end of day.

Please come and enjoy the day. Immerse yourselves in the experience of this powerful apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## IMPORTANT FUNDRAISING FOR NEW WINDOWS

## CAKE SALE TODAY 7 SEPTEMBER AFTER ALL MASSES

Please bring cakes, bread or any homemade items to the church on the day.

## SAVE THE DATE: 12 OCTOBER INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR

At St Catherine's Church

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Tyler Curniffe, Renita D'Silva, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Marie Gilbert & Family, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Adrian McDermott, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmaotee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas, Terry Turner and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

### LAUNCH OF ST CATHERINE'S YOUTH GROUP - AGES 13-17

We have now launched this Youth Group as part of our faith formation programme for teenagers. Our plan is to form this group initially around a Mass for teenagers and organised by teenagers and in which the teenagers will be managing the readings, the music, the whole running of the Mass. This will be followed normally by an assortment of talks, visiting speakers, films (using our soon-to-be installed cinematic equipment), amusements and supper. This Mass will be in effect a Saturday Vigil Mass for the Sunday. The first Mass will be on 13 October at 6 pm. After that we will decide on a regular Saturday in the month. Please therefore note:

#### SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER 2025 6 pm Mass for teenagers 13 -17 yrs followed by a Pizza Supper and games

Once established, we would like to build in hands on charity work, educational trips and youth pilgrimages if possible. This Saturday evening Mass is for all Catholic teenagers whether already confirmed or not. But it is our plan to make the monthly Mass and gatherings from age 13 to 17 part of the Confirmation programme so that the young people can be confirmed when they feel ready, and be supported by greater exposure to our faith. At the moment we find that when young people come forward for confirmation, they have forgotten most of what they were taught at Holy Communion, because of the lapse of time without parish engagement. They usually have not been to confession since their First Confession and in some cases have not been attending Mass at all. This regular engagement with faith through the Youth Group will help them form stronger foundations for what will be a very stormy future in an increasingly volatile world.

#### **RITA'S FRIDAY SOCIAL CLUB**

For all over 60s men and women:
Join us for a cuppa, cake, biscuits and games
every first Friday of the month
Next meeting - Friday 3rd October
2-4 pm

This new club is proving to be a great success judging from the number of people who got together last Friday.

**BINGO GALORE!** 





#### MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW – UPTO £180 TWO WAYS TO SIGN UP:

(1) ONLINE by Direct Debit through the secure financial website GoCardless. Point your phone at the QR code on the left or follow the link below Website St Catherine's Monthly Prize

(2) <u>CASH OR CHEQUE</u> for a 3, 6 or 12 month period. Details and envelopes in church lobby.

Congratulations to Maria S!





#### MARCH FOR LIFE 2025 A GREAT SUCCESS

Despite hideous shouting and screaming from proabortion activists who were allowed to position themselves right next to our excellent speakers in Parliament Square, which included a survivor of a botched abortion....

## Our parish contingent at the March for Life 2025

the March showed the strength and resolve of the anti-abortion movement which brought together the largest array yet of Christian leaders. We - our party of twelve parishioners - were deeply moved by the peaceful, humble, silent, yet determined witness shown by thousands of mainly young adults who were marching together. May God pour his love and mercy into those screaming for death and hoping to harass and intimidate us. It didn't work. We experienced most wonderful inspiring day out together. We will support continuing struggle against child and mother.

## LAUNCH OF KINGSTON DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS GROUP CENTRED AT ST JOSEPH'S NEW MALDEN FIRST MEETING – THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Calling all young adults aged **18-35**: A new Kingston Deanery Young Adults group will be starting in September. Our plan is to have regular meetings, with a mix of social, faith sharing, spiritual development and social action volunteering opportunities, as well as connecting with other young adult Catholics in the Deanery, Archdiocese and beyond. You are welcome to join us even if you live/work outside of the Kingston Deanery.

To register: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/U90BWMx5er">https://forms.office.com/e/U90BWMx5er</a>

Or see poster displayed in the church porch.

Contact Lena-Marie for further information at newmaldencatechist3@rcaos.org.uk.

## LAST CALL MEMORIAL GARDEN – PROGRESS REPORT YOUR THOUGHTS ON OUR ARTIST'S IMPRESSION

We have placed an artist's impression of the proposed Memorial Garden on the noticeboard to the left of the entrance as you enter the church. It shows the landscaping of the corner of the garden to the right of the church. Forming the Garden will require the clearance of some overgrown trees and bushes, the building of a wooden fence on two sides at the rear and the building of a low brick wall - possibly a double sided low wall creating a flower bed between the two sides of the wall. Memorial plagues would be pinned to the inside of the wall where the ashes of the deceased would be buried. It is a simple evoking peace, tranquility and contemplation. Please take a look. So far the comments have been very positive and helpful. Unless we receive significant objections, we will begin to clear that area **next week.** Happy to answer any immediate questions you may have. The entire cost of the landscaping will be borne by the generosity of the Clune family in memory of our longstanding and beloved parishioner Brian Clune RIP.