

## ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

#### SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2025 – THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

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8.00 am Mass: *For the Marriage of James and Amy*  
**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am  
10.00 am Mass: *For the wellbeing of the People of the Parish*  
6.00 pm Mass: *Jackie Woolliscroft RIP - Anniversary*

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup>** **Our Lady of Sorrows**  
11.30 am Rosary  
12.00 pm Mass: *Jose Loretto Ancheta RIP*

**Tue 16<sup>th</sup>** **SS Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop**  
11.30 am Rosary  
12.00 pm Mass: *Charlie Kirk RIP, his widow & children*

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup>** **NO MASS TODAY**

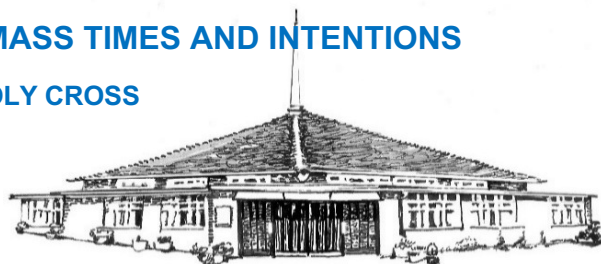
**Thu 18<sup>th</sup>** **Feria**  
9.00 am Rosary  
9.30 am Mass: *Catherine Abraham*

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup>** **St Theodore of Canterbury**  
9.00 am Rosary  
9.30 am Mass: *Thanksgiving for Theodore Sebastian*

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup>** **PARISH RETREAT WITH THE VISITATION OF THE NATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
9.00 am Arrive for procession **ALL WELCOME**  
9.40 am Mass – see box below for full programme

#### SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025 – TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C,1)

8.00am Mass: *People of the Parish*  
**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am  
10.00 am Mass: *Cyril and Pat Fairman RIP*  
6.00 pm Mass: *Priscilla McHugh RIP*  
Readers 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 8am: Alberto Ravano  
Readers 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 8am: Volunteer  
Counters 14<sup>th</sup> Sept Lizette and Inoka



#### Weekly Offertory 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025

**£931.77** (£266 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £78 Gift Aided Contactless, £68 non Gift Aided Contactless and £344.77 cash).

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

**The Parish Office** 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.  
**Mass Intentions** 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.

**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 to contact the Chaplain.

#### LECTIO DIVINA – BIBLE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY AT 8 PM

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

10am: Pauline Holman  
10am: Alex Duval  
Cleaners w/c 15<sup>th</sup> Sept

6pm: Kristin Walsh  
6pm: Aurea Coloma  
Audry and Siobhan

### RETREAT DAY AT ST CATHERINE OF SIENA NEXT SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2025 VISITATION OF THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE AND THE RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO

9.00 am Arrive  
9.20 am Start - procession and enthronement of Our Lady  
9.40 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 SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR

AFTER 10AM MASS  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO RUN A TABLE OR COOK DISHES FOR ANY INTERNATIONAL TABLE. CONTACT CRISTABELLA, AUDRY OR THE PARISH OFFICE TO VOLUNTEER  
THANKS AND LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

especialy 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.

## INVITATION TO JOIN ST CATHERINE'S YOUTH MINISTRY GROUP FOR AGES 13-17

Over the next month we will prepare for the first gathering of our Youth Ministry Group (YMG) for the first monthly Mass on Saturday 11 October at 6 pm, followed by a Pizza supper. We are about to e-mail the parish with details. We are now able to e-mail everyone registered in the Parish. This will help parents, for example, to consider with their teenagers participation in this new initiative.

As mentioned last week, 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 11 October at 6 pm. After that we will decide on a regular Saturday in the month. Please therefore note:

**SATURDAY 11 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 precious faith.

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## THE SEASON OF SCHOOL FORMS

Please don't leave school forms for me to sign to the last minute. And always make yourself known to me through the year so that I can sign forms with a clear conscience.

## DAY FOR CATECHISTS SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Please do consider attending if you are involved in the parish in any teaching capacity. Great programme. Details here:

[Day for Catechists 2025 — Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis](#)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

18 Sep Thu	Young Adults Group gathering at St George's.
20 Sep Sat	Retreat Day: the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue
20 Sep Sat	Day for Catechists at St George's Cathedral
28 Sep Sun	General Parish & Fundraising Meeting 11.15 am
3 Oct Fri	Rita's Social Club for the over 60s 2pm – 4 pm
4 Oct Sun	Cake Sale after all Masses
18 Oct Sat	Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Ann's, Kingston Hill
11 Oct Sat	Mass for Youth, 6pm Youth Group Supper, 7 pm
12 Oct Sun	International Food Fair / Brunch 11 am Sunday
2 Nov Sun	All Saints (transferred from 1 Nov) – Holy Day
3 Nov Mon	All Souls (transferred from 2 Nov)
23 Nov Sun	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the building of our church Mass at 11 am (not 10 am) followed by lunch. Feast of Our Lord Jesus, King of the Universe
30 Nov Sun	First Sunday of Advent

## THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS "JESUS CAME TO CALL SINNERS"

**A PARADOX WRAPPED IN A MYSTERY BUT NOT AN ENIGMA!**

Do we truly understand the love that the God has for us? He does not want us to disappear into oblivion. He wants to bring us back to him to share eternity with him. How? God's top priority is to save us from sin and death which we brought upon ourselves through pride and disobedience. He could so easily have made his top priority to save us from disease, pain, poverty, suffering - but no, he came to call sinners, not to condemn them but to show them the best way to live so that they may bear fruit in order to rise from the dead into eternity. God sent his only begotten son to humble himself and become one of us, to suffer for us and to die a horrible death on the Cross to show us the way to divine eternity. It would have been so easy for the Godman Jesus to wave his arms around like magic and make everything better at stroke. He has the power, far greater power than the Roman Emperors who considered themselves gods. For them, the Cross was a sign of humiliation and miserable subjugation for anyone who disobeyed them, the ultimate sign of their power, the power to make us slaves. But for Christians the Cross is a sign of contradiction, a paradox – the ultimate victory over sin and death bought with the blood of the Godman Jesus. That's how much God loves us. To those who resist faith, it makes no sense. **To those with faith, we wear the Cross with pride as the symbol of our liberation from sin and death. To exalt the Cross means never to rush to the Resurrection but to embrace our Cross in truth and in love.**

## CAKE SALE - £335!!

Thank you to all who donated cakes and to the team of organisers and helpers who together raised an amazing £335. And thank you to those who bought & ate the cakes! **NEXT CAKE SALE – SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER**

## THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE 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.

## Next Tuesday – A Mass for Charlie Kirk RIP

the Christian commentator recently assassinated in Utah, USA. We will pray for his widow and children.

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

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. First gathering at St George's Cathedral. To register: <https://forms.office.com/e/U90BWMx5er>  
**Contact Lena-Marie for further information at [newmaldencatechist3@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:newmaldencatechist3@rcaos.org.uk).**



St Catherine's  
Monthly Prize Draw

**£10.00**

Recurring payment

## MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW – £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) **CASH OR CHEQUE** for a 3, 6 or 12 month period. Details and envelopes in church lobby.

**Congratulations to winner Maria S!**