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SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2025 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY (Year C, Weekly Cycle 1)

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8.00 am Mass: John Kinahan RIP

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: Sharon Moir RIP6.00 pm Mass: Martin Whelan

Mon 17th St Hilda 11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: Wellbeing of Zenida Cruz and for the

deceased members of the Cruz Family

Tue 18th NO MASS TODAY

Wed 19th **Feria** 11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: Holy Souls

Thu 20th **Feria** 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Aggie Keoghan and Family

Fri 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Kit Brownrigg RIP

Sat 22nd St Cecilia

9.00 am Mass: Mick Leahy

9.30 am Holy Hour, Rosary, Confessions 9.45 am

SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2025 – OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (Year C, Cycle 1)

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BUILDING OF OUR CHURCH

11.00 am Mass: In thanksgiving for the people of the

parish, past and present

Readers 16th Nov 8am: Mark Murphy Counters 17th Nov Vera and Valentino Weekly Offertory 9th November 2025

£798.94 (£215.07 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £48 Gift Aided Contactless, £15 non Gift Aided Contactless and £345.87 cash).

Archbishop's Appeal

£238.66 (£112 Gift Aided envelopes, £19 Gift Aided Contactless, £5 non Gift Aided Contactless and £102.66 cash).

Next Sunday there will be a collection for the Catholic Youth Services

<u>The Parish Office</u> is open for enquiries on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from **10am until 12noon**.All 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 long waiting list.

<u>Kingston Hospital</u> It is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain if admitted to hospital. If you are calling on behalf of a patient there then please call the Hospital Switchboard on 0208 5467711 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, prayerful, fun.

10am: Alex Duval 6pm: Aurea Coloma Cleaners w/c 17th Nov Jozwicki Group

TO RECEIVE THE EUCHARIST WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE – BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS AND CHRIST'S TEACHINGS

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 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 Anointing / Healing – It is our duty to call a priest to anoint family members in failing health. 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, anxiety and dementia. Do make sure you are anointed before an operation under a general anaesthetic.

Sacrament of Ordination and consecration to the sacred Priesthood and Religious life – please speak to Fr Peter.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

If you would like us to pray for the repose of the soul of your deceased loved ones at Mass during November, place their names in an envelope in the lobby and hand it in as you would a Mass intention. Names will be placed in the basket in front of the Altar. Your loved ones will be remembered at every Mass in November. By placing an offering in the envelope, this will be used to offer Masses for the Holy Souls in purgatory through the year.

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, Zenaid Richards, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmaotee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas, and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

CHRISTMAS FAIR 6 DECEMBER 2025 11am-3pm **ONLY 3 WEEKS TO GO! DONATIONS PLEASE**

Please continue to bring your donations of new gifts, unwanted presents, sweets, chocolates, jewellery and toys. Special requests:

RAFFLE TICKETS READY TO BE SOLD

They are in the entrance

please take some and sell them and bring back the money and the counterfoils. Bring back unsold tickets.

ESTATE AGENT'S BOARD IN YOUR FRONT GARDEN

Can you offer to display an estate agent's board advertising the fair in your front garden for two weeks? This would be a great boost to our fundraising. Please sign up after Mass or contact us at chessington@rcaos.org.uk

The response has been sluggish so far, down by 2/3 of those who volunteered last year. So please consider.

BOTTLE STALL

Please make a special effort to bring in more bottles for our Bottle Stall which is very popular. Please bring all bottles to church on Sunday 30th November.

TAKE OR SEND FR PETER'S LETTER

to a local shop or business or an organisation. The letter (copies in the entrance) asks for support and a donation to our fundraising, either in money or as a voucher of some sort which can be raffled. Fr Peter is writing to our local Lidl supermarket and to local schools. Remember that we serve local people with prayers and car parking! E-mail Emma emma-mcdonald@hotmail.co.uk

"YOU WILL BE HATED BY ALL FOR MY NAME'S SAKE BUT NOT A HAIR OF YOUR **HEAD WILL PERISH"**

The Scripture passages today are an excellent insight into the Christian mindset. We spend a lot of our time doing our best to extract joy and pleasure from the world. That can take many forms, some wholesome and good, some desperately evil. It is right and proper that we should enjoy the beauty of this world, for God made it. But this is not the ultimate existence which God had intended for us any more than 40 years in the desert was what God had in mind for the Israelites. But having shown that they did not trust God, moaning all the time that he wasn't helping, despite the miracles they had witnessed, their mindset was being formed to endure the hardship of the desert until they could reach the promised land. It was a struggle, a fight to the finish. And so it is with us. Anyone who believes and acts as if this world is an end in itself is destined to miss out on the eternal afterlife with God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, because no matter how much pleasure we extract from this world, it is never enough. It does not and cannot satisfy us. Worse still, a belief that this world can be made perfect leads to death, destruction, oppression, as we have seen in all communist countries which have experimented with human lives. Only the risen Jesus Christ offers us truth and love into eternity. DO WE EXPLAIN ALL THIS TO OUR CHILDREN, OR ARE WE SCARED TO SAY A WORD TO THEM?



£10.00

MONTHLY PRIZE - DRAW TODAY! £150 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.

Abel Abad won this month's Prize Draw of £150. Very many congratulations.

NEXT SUNDAY 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BUILDING OF OUR CHURCH

Mass with Archbishop John at 11 am. Then a buffet lunch in the parish hall. THERE IS NO OTHER MASS HERE THAT SUNDAY NO MASS AT 8 AM 10 AM OR 6 PM

We hope as many of you as possible will attend this Mass and meet the Archbishop. Over the next few days I shall be contacting a few more people asking for their help in various ways. We will also be making every effort to maximise space in the car park. We will help you park as neatly as possible. Please leave the parking reserved space on the left side of the church by the lawn for the Archbishop's car.

DEANERY MASS AT ST ANN'S, THE PILGRIM CHURCH, KINGSTON HILL KT2 7LX FOR ALL DECEASED KINGSTON CLERGY Friday 21 November at 7 pm

Every year in November the clergy of the seven parishes in the Kingston Deanery get together to concelebrate Mass for all the priests and deacons in our Kingston churches who have died. They have served us faithfully over several generations and brought us the faith. We pray for the repose of their souls. The Mass is open to everyone, with refreshments afterwards. Last year St Catherine's hosted the gathering. This year it is St Ann's, Kingston Hill. Please do come and join us. Fr James, the Parish Priest of St Ann's, has asked for likely numbers so that he can arrange refreshments appropriately. If you plan to come, please e-mail, text or tell me in person - petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk But if you decide to come at the last minute, no need to inform us. Everyone is welcome.

BECOME A CATHOLIC / LEARN ABOUT OUR FAITH

Fr Peter asks all those who want to know more about the Catholic faith, or who are considering to become Catholics, to contact him for an informal chat. We can discuss key aspects of our faith and how one goes about Catholic. Absolutely no pressure. becoming a petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk or ring 07921 667679

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - FIRST CONFESSION

If you would like to register your child to receive their FHC in 2026, please complete the registration form which can be found on our website: FHC Registration form. Please hand the form to the Parish Office or to Fr Peter, together with the required attachments mentioned in the form (Baptism certificate if not baptized here; photo; £20 contribution for books). A key requirement for the course is weekly Sunday Mass attendance. Parents must attend Mass with their child every Sunday in order to qualify for the course. They must also help their child to go Confession at least twice a year. The course itself will begin in early January and the FHC ceremony will be in June 2026. We will shortly announce an introductory meeting for parents and children. Thanks.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Mass at 7pm for deceased Clergy in Kingston Deanery 21 Nov Fri 50th Anniversary of the building of our church. 23 Nov Sun

Mass with Archbishop John at 11 am. Then lunch in the parish hall.

NO MASS AT 8AM 10AM AND 6 PM ON THIS DAY

29 Nov Sat Youth Mass 5 pm and Pizza supper

30 Nov Sun First Sunday of Advent 6 Dec Sat Christmas Fair 11 am - 3 pm