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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 18 JANUARY 2026

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 18 JANUARY 2026 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A/Cy II)

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8.00 am Mass: *Wellbeing of Veronica Woodger*

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: *Kevin Whitehead RIP*

6.00 pm Mass: *Wellbeing of Mano Houshangpour*

Mon 19th Feria

11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: *Sr Martha Manche RIP*

Tue 20th St Fabian

11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: *Wellbeing of Michael and Diane McCluskey and Family*

Wed 21st NO MASS TODAY

Thurs 22nd NO MASS TODAY

Fri 23rd Feria

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: *Edwin Manche RIP*

Sat 24th St Francis de Sales

9.00 am Mass: *Eileen Kearns RIP*

9.30 am Holy Hour, Rosary, Confessions 9.45 am

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME (A)

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

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

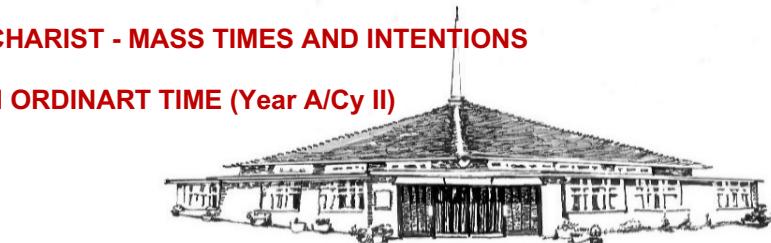
10.00 am Mass: *Brian Clune RIP – 1st Anniversary*

6.00 pm Mass: *Bill Woolliscroft RIP - Birthday*

Readers 18th Jan 8am: *Stephanie Ferro*

Readers 25th Jan 8am: *Valentino Ferdis*

Counters 18th Jan Howard and Marlene



Weekly Offertory 11th January 2026

£911.92 (£272 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £78 Gift Aided Contactless, £98 non-Gift Aided Contactless and £288.92 cash).

NEXT SUNDAY there will be a second collection for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral

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

Kingston Hospital 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, then please call the Hospital Switchboard 0208 5467711 ask them to contact the Chaplain.

LECTIO DIVINA – BIBLE STUDY EVERY WEDNESDAY 8-9 pm.

Please come to the church, and please do join us even if you have not attended before. It is informal and friendly and no special knowledge is required.

Readers 18th Jan 8am: *Stephanie Ferro*

10am: *Louisa Nkohkwo*

6pm: *Frances Harryman*

Readers 25th Jan 8am: *Valentino Ferdis*

10am: *Rovena Gocllari*

6pm: *Aurea Coloma*

Counters 18th Jan Howard and Marlene

Cleaners w/c 19th Jan

Aurea's 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

CONFESIONS: 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.

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
LET'S LEARN THIS!



"Proclaim the truth as if you have a thousand voices. It is silence that kills the world."
From St Catherine's writings

**DAY OF REFLECTION
FOR READERS AND
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Saturday 31 January 2026**

Periodically the Diocese organises days of reflection for Readers at Mass and for Eucharistic Ministers. We have hosted such a retreat in the recent past. The retreat this time will be held in our Kingston Deanery at St Ann's Church, Kingston Hill and will follow this schedule:

**10.00 – 10.45 am: First session
11.00 – 11.45 am: Second session**

12 noon: Mass

I hope as many readings and Eucharistic Ministers as possible will attend.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU INTEND TO ATTEND

**ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SECOND COLLECTION
NEXT SUNDAY 25 JANUARY**

For over half a century, St George's Cathedral has been the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50,000 Roman Catholics. For many Catholics living and working across London and the South East of England, St George's has been a beacon of light. Today, St George's Cathedral continues to attract thousands of worshippers and visitors each year, as well as serving a lively local parish community which proudly reflects the rich cultural and ethnic diversity of South London. The Cathedral frequently hosts important Diocesan and national celebrations, as well as concerts and events for various Catholic charities. There is a rich musical tradition, maintaining a choir of boys and men, as well as a girls' choir, both of which sing at Sunday Masses and on major feasts. In many respects, St George's Cathedral serves as a spiritual home and 'beehive' for Catholic evangelisation and mission across the Archdiocese of Southwark. St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship. We ask for your support at next week's second collection. You can donate:



- Donate online www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral
- Scan the QR code using your telephone camera (left)
- Phone 020 7960 2504 weekday
- Use cash/cheque using the St George's envelopes at entrance

CAKE SALE AND MONTHLY DRAW TODAY

The cake sale raised £270 – that's brilliant going, and with matched funding, it will double the profit. Well done everyone. Let's keep going.

MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW – NEW YEAR PRIZE £150



TWO WAYS TO SIGN UP TO THE DRAW

(1) ONLINE by Direct Debit through the secure financial website **GoCardless**. Point your phone at the QR code on the left or follow our website link below to get to GoCardless.

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

Website St Catherine's Monthly Prize Draw

FABIO MOREIRA IS OUR NEW YEAR WINNER!

**TODAY 18 JANUARY 2026
PARISH HALL 11.15 pm to 12.00 pm
PARISH MEETING TO ORGANISE FUNDRAISING
EVENTS TO MAXIMISE THE OFFER OF
MATCHED FUNDING – THANKS BE TO GOD**

In case you missed my announcement at Mass, a benefactor has offered to match all our fundraising for the next year. This is a **terrific boost** to our work to upgrade the parish estate and repair the fabric here and there. It will be a great incentive for our fundraising.

LADY NEEDS HELP WITH CARRYING SHOPPING

Can you Help with carrying a lady's shopping from LIDL to her home nearby or giving her a lift in your car preferably. Ideally this would be on Thursday evenings at around 6 pm or else Friday mid afternoon? If two or three people could volunteer, you could take it turns? If you think you can help, please contact the Parish Office. Contact detail at top of this newsletter. Do your best.

TODAY IS PEACE SUNDAY

We are called to renew our faith constantly. Holy Mass is the most important and vital means of renewal. It also enables us to go out into the world to work for peace – not just any peace, but the **VERY SPECIAL PEACE** of Christ ("Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: **Peace I leave you, MY peace I give you**"). Violence, power, harmful substances, corrupting music, films and literature, and all manner of lustful bodily behaviour will only serve to weaken and even destroy us on the journey. Young people are especially at risk, because they may not yet have experienced the full destructive power of sin. Christ's proclamation of the kingdom of God – "repent and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15) – at the start of his preaching ministry is our call to daily renewal. It enables us to discover God's will for us and how to implement it. We too, like the Corinthians in the Letter of Paul today, are called to be the holy people of Jesus Christ, and indeed a light among nations to bring peace to the world. We can do it, if we truly love Jesus and his teachings and genuinely want to do the will of God – the only thing that can make us happy in this world, and indeed the next. Can we all truly say this?

"Here I am, Lord. I come to do your will"

Robin Dorey RIP – Funeral Service

Robin's funeral will take place at Randall's Park Crematorium, Leatherhead at 10.15am on Thursday 29 January. A wake will be held afterwards at The Star Public House, Malden Rushett. Parishioners are very welcome to attend. Robin asked that, rather than flowers, donations kindly be made directly to the Alzheimer's Society

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
THE COURSE STARTS TODAY
AFTER THE 10 AM MASS AT 11.15 AM**

PLEASE KEEP THE CHILDREN IN YOUR PRAYERS

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, Dharmootee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas, and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.