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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A/Cy II) Parish Mass Book Page 136

8.00 am Mass: PJ Treacy RIP

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: Jack Hemsley RIP

6.00 pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

Mon 16th

11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: Thanksgiving

Tue 17th

Wed 18th

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Mary Keoghan and Family

7.30 pm Mass: Mary Flannery RIP

Thurs 19th

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: John McAvoy RIP

Fri 20th

9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Breda Byrne and Family

Sat 21st

9.00 am Mass: Holy Souls

9.30 am Holy Hour, Rosary, Confessions: 9.45 am

SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2026 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A/Cy II)

8.00 am Mass: Brian Duffy RIP

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00 am Mass: Charles McLoughlin RIP

6.00 pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

Readers 15th Feb 8am: Stephanie Ferro

Readers 22nd Feb 8am: Valentino Ferdis

Counters 15th Feb Howard and Marlene



Weekly Offertory 8th February 2026

£879.05 (£197.20 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £110 Gift Aided Contactless, £40 non-Gift Aided Contactless and £356.85 cash).

TODAY THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION FOR THE CLERGY SUPPORT FUND. SEE OVER PAGE.

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 Catholic Chaplain.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY – NEW TIME DURING LENT EVERY TUESDAY IN LENT 7 pm to 8.30 pm

Please arrive 6.50 pm – assemble in the church
SEE OVER FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

10am: Shehara Gamage

10am: Pauline Holman

Cleaners w/c 16th Feb

6pm: Emilia de Rennes

6pm: Marcel Gilly Bruno

Aurea's Group

ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY MASS - 9.30 am and 7.30 pm

LENT STARTS THIS ASH WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

THE CHURCH ENCOURAGES YOU TO COME TO MASS AND RECEIVE ASHES

WHAT DO THE ASHES MEAN?

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Having the ashes placed on our foreheads in the shape of the cross reminds us that:

- through our Baptism, we have died in Christ and have been reborn in Christ, and while we are going to return to ashes one day, **we are going to rise with Christ** and be happy into eternity in the love of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- we are reminded of **Christ's suffering and death on the cross**, but
- we are also reminded of his great love for us in this **sacrifice of himself**, and
- we are reminded of Christ's **great victory over death and sin** through his resurrection – death and sin being the result of our turning away from God.

We are reminded finally that we must **make amends, some reparation** for turning away from God in our own lives, by making some act of penance after acknowledging and feeling sorry for our **sins**. What is this act of penance? **FASTING, PRAYING, ALMSGIVING**. While we are sad in various ways on Ash Wednesday, this is very much a **day of hope and joy** filled with the example and the promises of Christ about life everlasting. We must therefore imitate Christ as we try in our lives to **become Christ-like**. We follow what Christ says in the **Gospel of Matthew**: we give alms; we pray; we fast. These are the three powerful ways of imitating Christ, but we have to do it in the right frame of mind, with a generosity of spirit, with a smile on our faces and by being generous with the time we give to God in prayer.



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

**ABORTION UPTO BIRTH AND
ASSISTED SUICIDE
PLEASE ACT AGAIN, ACT NOW TO STOP THEM
It's not over yet**

In the first half of 2026 parliament will vote to approve or reject both abortion up to birth and assisted suicide. We are now in the last stretch to lobby the House of Lords to do something about these horrific proposals before they are sent back to the House of Commons.

Please write to the Lords using the online tool at:

<https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/abortion-decriminalisation/>

which helps you generate a letter either to send in the post, or to send by email.

**FAMILY FILM NIGHT
FRIDAY 27 FEBRUARY AT 6 PM
AT OUR NEW CINEMA HALL**

Let's get together for a family film night and supper.

TICKETS: £5 per person £15 max per family

More details next Sunday. Tickets on sale then.

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING PROGRAMME

Today – Parish Fundraising Meeting after 10 am Mass.

Friday 27 February – Family Film Night

Sunday 1 March - Cake Sale after each Mass

Friday 13 March - Irish Night 7 pm – 11pm

**LAST SUNDAY - SOUP SUNDAY
THERE WAS A HUGE DEMAND FOR THE
DELICIOUS SOUP AFTER MASS AND WE MADE
£175 x 2(matched) = £350**

FUNDRAISING MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

Please do come to the Fundraising Meeting immediately after the 10 am Mass. We need your talents and energies. We are on a fundraising roll, but there is much more to do to raise money which will be matched funded by our benefactor. Much more.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR

SILENCE IS THE LANGUAGE OF GOD

At the start and end of Holy Mass, please observe silence and use the time to pray. Wait until you leave the church to chat so you don't disturb others. There is tea and coffee in the Hall where you can chat.

PLEASE PARK YOUR CARS NEATLY

There appear to be more cars than there is space! Please park neatly and with due consideration for others to enable as many of us as possible to park quickly and safely for Mass.

MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW – PRIZE £150

Congratulations Andrew Leech our February winner



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

THE PARISH MADE £300 x 2(matched) = £600

YOUR £10 ENTRY DONATION TO THE LOTTERY IS NOW WORTH DOUBLE TO THE PARISH FUNDS – JOIN NOW!

**CLERGY SUPPORT FUND
SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

Psalms – Chapter 71. 'Do not reject me in my old age, nor desert me when my strength is failing'.

From our Archbishop: "The second collection this week is in support of the Clergy Support Fund for the Archdiocese of Southwark. This important fund provides care and support for priests in their retirement and old age, and at their time of ill health, after their lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, His Church and His People. Your donations to this worthy fund ensure a dignified retirement for all of our priests. I kindly ask that you pray for our sick and elderly priests, and consider donating to this worthy fund. Thank you for your generosity of heart."

WAYS TO DONATE: Find out how to donate to the Clergy Support Fund at www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF or scan our QR code.



Point the camera of your phone at this code on the left and follow the link from there. You can also donate via telephone 020 7960 25025 office hours Mon-Fri or by using the Clergy Support Fund envelopes available at as you leave the church.

Or pay using our card DONA machines at church
Please consider to GIFT AID YOUR DONATION

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

**JESUS FULFILS AND COMPLETES THE OLD TESTAMENT
HE DOES NOT REJECT IT BUT WRITES IT IN OUR HEARTS**

My Brothers and Sisters, if you were given the choice on the one hand of having all your sins forgiven, never to sin again, and on the other hand to be healed of all your infirmities and illnesses, never to fall ill again, **which of these two gifts would you choose?**

We have before us today in Matthew's Gospel the Sermon on the Mount, the great teaching to us all of Jesus Christ, true God and true man - a teaching that not one of us can avoid. Christ's teaching does not focus on physical healing but on avoiding sin, on forgiveness of sins, and all wrapped up in loving each other and helping each other on this road to eternal life.

**JOIN US FOR THIS JOURNEY THROUGH LENT
LENTEN BIBLE STUDY – NEW TIME DURING LENT
FOR LECTIO DIVINA OF THE SUNDAY GOSPELS
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**Mauro and Janet Iannicelli break open the Lenten
Sunday Gospels guiding us over six Tuesdays.**



**Starts Tuesday 17 Feb.
Web: comeandsee.org**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Tyler Curniffe, Renita D'Silva, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Tony Gernon, 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.