

## ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 17 MAY 2026

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

SUNDAY 17 MAY 2026– SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) (Year A/Cy II) Parish Mass Book Page 275

8.00 am Mass: *For the People of the Parish*  
**Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am**

10.00 am Mass: *Imelda Qualter RIP and deceased members of the Qualter Family*

6.00 pm Mass: *Woolliscroft Family RIP*

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup>** **St John I, Pope and Martyr**  
11.30 am Rosary  
12.00 pm Mass: *Julia Sergejeva Thirunavakarasu RIP*

**Tue 19<sup>th</sup>** **NO MASS TODAY**

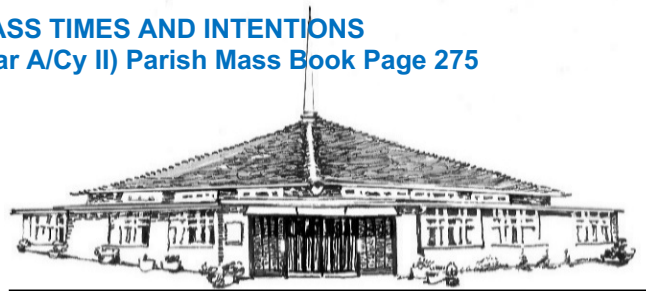
**Wed 20<sup>th</sup>** **St Bernadine of Siena**  
11.00 am **FUNERAL MASS: John Scanlon RIP**

**Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>** **Feria**  
9.00 am Rosary  
9.30 am Mass: *Wellbeing of Martin Farrell*

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup>** **Feria**  
9.00 am Rosary  
9.30 am Foundation Mass: *Edward and Monica Munnery RIP*

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup>** **Feria**  
8.00 am Mass: *Intentions of Rhiannon McLoughlin*

**Please note earlier time for Mass, no Adoration or Confession**



#### Weekly Offertory 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**£848.13** (£195 Gift Aided envelopes, £180 Gift Aided standing orders, £74 Gift Aided Contactless, £40 non-Gift Aided Contactless and £359.13 cash).

**TODAY is World Communications Sunday**

**There will be a collection for the Catholic Communications Network**

**The Parish Office** is open for enquiries on Mon, Tues 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 and ask them to contact the Catholic Chaplain.

### SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MAY 2026 – PENTECOST SUNDAY (A)

8.00 am Mass: *Margaret and Joe Walsh RIP*  
**Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am**

10.00 am Mass: *Paul Wateridge RIP – 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday*

6.00 pm Mass: *For the People of the Parish*

#### TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE AND PRACTICE OUR FAITH

**Sacrament of Baptism** – please speak to Fr Peter before fixing a baptismal date and reception venue.

**Sacrament of the Eucharist** – see above, Mass times. For First Holy Communion, speak to Fr Peter.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance**

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 9.45am–10.15am and Sundays 9.15 am - 9.45am and after weekday Mass.

Also by appointment by ringing Fr Peter 07921667679

**Sacrament of Confirmation** – course for baptised young Catholics – please apply to Fr Peter

**Sacrament of Marriage** – speak to Fr Peter at least six months before the proposed wedding date if possible.

**Sacrament of 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 and dementia. It can be administered at church, in hospital, care home, at home, indeed anywhere. Also, make sure you are anointed before an operation under a general anaesthetic.

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

#### LECTIO DIVINA BIBLE STUDY NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 8PM

#### 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, Dharmateea Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas, and residents of Amy Woodgate Residential Home



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

### DONATE TO WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION BY PHONE & CARD FROM HERE

POINT YOUR PHONE CAMERA AT THIS QR CODE ON THE RIGHT. YOU WILL FIND THE LINK TO THE DONA/CARD MENU. CLICK.



CHOOSE OFFERTORY COLLECTION. GIFT AID IF YOU WISH. NO NEED TO QUEUE AT THE MACHINE IN THE ENTRANCE HALL.

## REFLECTION THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS

For those who were unable to attend the Mass of the Ascension last Thursday, here is a reflection on the meaning of the Ascension.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, in his risen and glorified body, ascended into heaven forty days after the Resurrection. The Apostles witnessed the moment of the Ascension with their own eyes (Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51, Acts 1:1-11). It is a historical fact, just as they had seen and touched the risen Christ. But what does the Ascension signify? It signifies that God the Son, Jesus Christ, fully God and fully human, has taken our humanity into what we call the Godhead, into the relationship of love and truth that is the Blessed Trinity. That is just how precious we are to God, that our very human nature, created by God in his own image and redeemed by Christ, is now fully absorbed into God for all time. The Ascension is our own exaltation and glorification, because we have been deemed worthy as Christ's disciples and "friends" (John 15:15) to be united with God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit into eternity. **As St Paul says in Ephesians (4:13): "In this way we are all to come to unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God, until we become the perfect Man, fully mature with the fullness of Christ himself."** That does not mean every human being is automatically saved from death and sin and will be united with God. Our co-operation, our faith, our selfless love of God and of one another is still required. An act of will is still required both to acknowledge and to live the truth and love of Christ in humility. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Mt 5:8). **The Ascension is a necessary prelude to the sending of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost which we celebrate next Sunday**, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, and who through our Baptism guides us through this world to the incarnate, crucified, risen and ascended Christ in God's heavenly kingdom. See also: *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 659-664. The image of sitting **at the right hand of the Father**, which we say also in the Creed, echoes Psalm 110:1, and is mentioned in Acts (2:33) and Mark (16:19). It signifies the universal and eternal rule of the Messiah prophesied in the Book of Daniel (7:14).

**TODAY – BRING & SHARE LUNCH!  
WE INVITE YOU ALL TO GATHER AND MEET FOR  
LUNCH TO MARK THE  
FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**



### TODAY IS WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY – SECOND COLLECTION

As mentioned last week, there will be a second collection today in support of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales, which promotes evangelization. The CCN is part of a wider Catholic communications network supported by the Pope. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication. It promotes the Gospel, the Good News, through the media on current issues and it provides news releases, features and podcasts and trains spokespersons.

**PLEASE DONATE WHAT YOU CAN. THANKS**

### DATES FOR DIARIES

Sunday 24 May – Pentecost Sunday  
 - Soup Sunday after 10 am Mass  
 - Delicious soup with a bread roll for an early lunch  
 Friday 29 May – Family Film Night  
 Sunday 7 June – Cake Sale after all Masses: Building fund  
 Wednesday 17 June - Cinema: Football England vs Croatia  
 Saturday 20 June - First Holy Communion Mass 11 am  
 Sunday 21 June – First Holy Communion certificates 10am  
 Saturday 27 June - Family Barbecue from 12.00  
 Sunday 5 July – Cake sale after all Masses: Building Fund  
 Tues/ Wed 14/15 July - Cinema: Football – Semi Finals  
 Sunday 19 July - Cinema: World Cup Final

### WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEER CLEANERS

It would be wonderful if more of you could volunteer to clean the church. We are down to just four teams. The more who volunteer and form teams (perhaps a family), the less frequently you will appear on the rota. Speak to Vera or Fr Peter.

### MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW - £150 PRIZE



St Catherine's  
Monthly Prize Draw  
**£10.00**  
Recurring payment

#### 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 this link: [Support us](#)
- (2) **CASH OR CHEQUE** for a 3, 6 or 12 month period. Speak to Parish Secretary.

### FUNERAL SERVICE FOR JOHN SCANLON WEDNESDAY 20 MAY AT 11 AM

**Readers** 17<sup>th</sup> May 8am: Valentino Ferdis  
**Readers** 24<sup>th</sup> May 8am: Mark Murphy  
**Counters** 18<sup>th</sup> May Vera and Valentino

10am: Rovena Gocllari  
 10am: Charissa Lobo  
**Cleaners** w/c 18<sup>th</sup> May

6pm: Aurea Coloma  
 6pm: Kristin Walsh  
 Concie, Rovena and Inoka