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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 12 JULY 2026

SUNDAY 12 JULY 2026 – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Year A/Cy II) Parish Mass Book Page 102 SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

8.00 am	Mass: <i>Joseph Eapen Rip</i> Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00 am	Mass: <i>John Scanlon RIP</i>
6.00 pm	Mass: <i>For the People of the Parish</i>
Mon 13th	Feria
11.30 am	Rosary
12.00 pm	Mass: <i>Wellbeing of Michael, Diane McCluskey and Family</i>
Tue 14th	Feria
11.30 am	Rosary
12.00 pm	Mass: <i>Wellbeing of Mary Angela Aitken and Family</i>
Wed 15th	St Bonaventure
9.00 am	Rosary
9.30 am	Mass: <i>Holy Souls</i>
Thurs 16th	NO MASS TODAY
Fri 17th	Feria
9.00 am	Rosary
9.30 am	Mass: <i>Dean Alunan Thanksgiving</i>
Sat 18th	The Blessed Virgin Mary
9.00 am	Mass: <i>Repose of the souls of Paul O'Driscoll, Michael Durrant and Scott Wilkie</i>
9.30 am	Adoration, Benediction Confessions – 9.45 am to 10.15 am

SUNDAY 19 JULY SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

8.00 am	Mass: <i>Rita RIP and with thanks for her family</i> Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
10.00 am	Mass: <i>John Scanlon RIP</i>
6.00 pm	Mass: <i>Thanksgiving – Aurea Coloma (birthday)</i>



Weekly Offertory 5 JULY 2026

£819.89 (£191 Gift Aided envelopes, £180 Gift Aided standing orders, £104 Gift Aided Contactless, £35 non-Gift Aided Contactless, £309.89 cash).

TODAY is SEA SUNDAY and there will be a collection for STELLA MARIS

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.

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 8 JULY 8PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sally Baker, Maureen Barney,
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
Residential Home



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

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THE MACHINE IN THE ENTRANCE HALL.

**BECOME A CATHOLIC
CALL TO NON-CATHOLICS TO COME HOME TO
THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
BE RECONCILED WITH GOD
LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH
CONSIDER BECOMING CATHOLICS**

I am beginning to consider the next course for those who would like to know more about the Catholic faith. This (RCIA) course is for:

- Those non-Christians who have not been baptised.
- Those non-Catholics who have been baptised but may wish to be received into the Catholic Church.
- Those Catholics who are over 18 and have not yet made their First Holy Communion or been received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please contact me and come to have a chat.

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REFLECTION – TODAY’S GOSPEL

“When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart.”

You know my brothers and sisters how keen I am that you should know and understand your faith. We are not cultural or tribal Catholics. That ended with the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus who came to save all humanity. Yet most of us still lack a deep understanding of what God has done for us. That lack of knowledge makes it difficult for us to embrace fully the Sacramental life, to live daily the Sacraments through which we open our hearts to God.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus speaks to the world in parables, because those who **yearn** to know and bring themselves to God, their creator, will be able to understand the true meaning and follow Christ’s teaching. Those who are determined to be **spiritually blind, by following their own will rather than God’s Will, cannot understand, indeed do not want to understand.** Jesus amplifies his message for the Apostles by giving them his personal commentary on the parable. We need to read his parable and commentary many times and examine our conscience and so decide what type of soil we have prepared for the seed of God’s Word. If we are the “rich soil” in which the seed flourishes, we need to prove it by our fruits, by the size of the harvest. We are called to bear fruit. We are called to make sacrifices so as to bear fruit. **If we have never suffered some kind of persecution because of our Catholic faith, we may need to ask ourselves whether we really are witnesses to the truth and love of our Lord Jesus.**

Improving our knowledge of Scripture, the Church, the life of Christ and his Apostles enables us to see the logic of living the sacramental life and that in turn enables us to embrace God intimately. It also enables us to be witnesses to the truth and so to bear patiently any persecution that comes our way.

**SAVOURY, SALAD AND SANDWICH SUNDAY
19 JULY 2026 AFTER EVERY MASS.**

- Pasta salad with or without chicken
- Hot dogs ▫Beef pies ▫Pizza bread (slices)

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Calling the young candidates for September 2026

I am beginning to form the Confirmation group of teenagers who would like to be confirmed in April 2027. Teenagers from 13 years and above who judge they are ready to deepen their relationship with God are welcome to join the group. Applications should begin with an e-mail to me Fr Peter at petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk The application form is on our website: Sacramental Life

**STELLA MARIS CHARITY – SEA SUNDAY
SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

90% of world trade is transported by ship. The life of a modern seafarer can be dangerous and lonely, spending up to a year at a time away from home and their family. *Stella Maris* is a Catholic Charity supporting seafarers worldwide. It provides practical and pastoral care to all seafarers and their families. Port chaplains visit ships and seafarers, offer a welfare service, advice, care and friendship. Some 250 ports around the world are covered. *Stella Maris* relies wholly on voluntary contributions. **Please help with a donation. www.stellamaris.org.uk**

**OUR ARCHBISHOP JOHN WANTS A
“PERMANENT DEACON” IN EVERY PARISH**

Dear Brothers and Sisters - As you know, there are three stages to ordination in the Catholic clergy: **deacon, priest and bishop**. A deacon is dedicated to Christ the servant; a priest to Christ who sacrificed himself to save us from sin and death; a bishop to Christ who teaches and guides the flock. To be a priest one has to be a ordained deacon first; to be a bishop, one has to be a deacon and priest first. But there is a **special type of deacon**, one who does not go on to become a priest but who focuses on the blessed vocation of a deacon in its own right. This is known as a “Permanent Deacon.” There are about 80 permanent deacons in our archdiocese. They play a vital role in nurturing the spiritual and pastoral life of a parish.

**WHAT IS A PERMANENT DEACON? – THE
THREEFOLD MINISTRY**

Permanent deacons are members of the clergy. Married men over the age of 35 and single men over the age of 26 may be ordained deacon. Single men make a promise of celibacy, like the priestly order. Deacons are ordained to exercise the threefold ministry of service to:

- 1. The Word – preaching and teaching**
- 2. The altar and liturgy – devotion to the Eucharist**
- 3. Charity - service**

They proclaim the Gospel at Mass and preach the Word; they teach the Word and lead various study groups, prayer and house groups and sacramental programmes like Confirmation, Holy Communion and RCIA. They assist the bishop or priest at Mass and at other liturgies. They have a special devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and lead Benediction. They administer the Sacrament of Baptism and conduct wedding services, preparing couples for marriage. They lead funeral services. They are ministers of charity and service by, for example, visiting prisons, hospitals, care homes and hospices, supporting the sick and the dying, the lonely and the bereaved, and taking Holy Communion to those in need.

**A CALL TO MEN, INCLUDING MARRIED MEN,
TO CONSIDER VOCATION**

If you think God is calling you, come and chat

Readers 12th July 8am: Valentino Ferdis
Readers 19th July 8am: Stephanie Ferro
Counters 13th July Vera and Valentino

10am: Charissa Lobo
 10am: Kate Moir
Cleaners w/c 13th July

6pm: Marcel Gilly Bruno
 6pm: Ruth MacKinlay
 Concie, Rovena and Inoka