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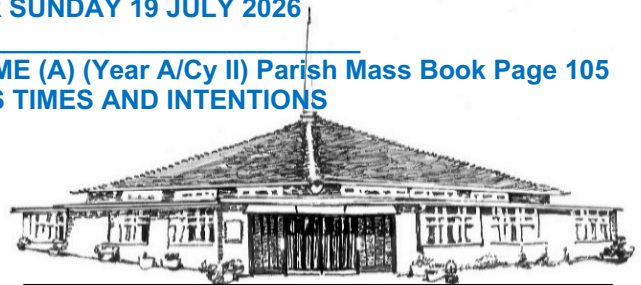
WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 19 JULY 2026

SUNDAY 19 JULY 2026 – SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Year A/Cy II) Parish Mass Book Page 105 SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

- 8.00 am Mass: *Rita RIP and with thanks for her family*
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
- 10.00 am Mass: *John Scanlon RIP*
- 6.00 pm Mass: *Thanksgiving – Aurea Coloma (birthday)*
- Mon 20th** **Feria**
11.30 am Rosary
12.00 pm Mass: *Mary Carter RIP – 1st Anniversary*
- Tue 21st** **Feria**
11.30 am Rosary
12.00 pm Mass: *Wellbeing of Vincent and Wendy McCluskey and Family*
- Wed 22nd** **St Mary Magdalene**
9.00 am Rosary
9.30 am Mass: *Ellis and Conor Ryan RIP and Family*
- Thurs 23rd** **NO MASS TODAY**
- Fri 24th** **St Sharbel Makhluf**
9.00 am Rosary
9.30 am Mass: *Wellbeing of Veronica Woodger*
- Sat 25th** **St James, Apostle & Martyr**
9.00 am Mass: *Doris and Michael Allard RIP and Family*
9.30 am Adoration, Benediction
Confessions – 9.45 am to 10.15 am

SUNDAY 26 JULY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

- 8.00 am Mass: *Andrew Brownrigg RIP*
Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am
- 10.00 am Mass: *Richard Grey RIP*
- 6.00 pm Mass: *For the People of the Parish*



Weekly Offertory 12 JULY 2026

£819.65 (£203 Gift Aided envelopes, £180 Gift Aided standing orders, £78 Gift Aided Contactless, £30 non-Gift Aided Contactless, £328.65 cash).

Stella Maris

£235.68 (£149.68 cash, £86 Contactless)

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**

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

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LINK TO THE DONA/CARD MENU. CLICK.



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AID IF YOU WISH. NO NEED TO QUEUE AT
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:

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

Please contact Fr Peter and come to have a chat.
petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk tel - 07921 667679

**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](#)

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

When we come into this church for Sunday Mass we gather as part of a community of faithful. We seek some peace and joy. But if we stand back and grasp the perspective of history, we realize that in our quest for comfort we can lose sight of the huge battle underway between good and evil in the world. We watch films depicting superheroes who save the world time and time again. They fulfil in us a yearning for justice and right order and the victory of good over evil. But we know that life isn't like that at all. Those who do bad things prosper in this world and cause unspeakable suffering. The real superhero is our Lord Jesus, the Son of God, who out of pure love for humanity, humbled himself to become one of us and then die for us and rise from the dead to save us from sin and death. This Christ is as real as real can be. He is our saviour. We are called to reflect on what we have to do to prepare for our own resurrection in Christ. We can never earn it. We rely on the grace and the mercy of God. But we still have to prepare ourselves for a new life by keeping God's commandments and living the sacramental life here on earth. **We ignore at our peril this spiritual battle which takes place not only between human beings but within each human being.** Some human beings make themselves into the dandelion weed. They lure us away from the truth and love of Christ. But there is dandelion in each one of us too. "All members of the Church, including her ministers, must acknowledge that they are sinners. In everyone the weeds of sin will still be mixed with the good wheat of the Gospel until the end of time. Hence the Church gathers sinners already caught up in Christ's salvation but still on the way to holiness." (Catechism 827). The point about dandelion is that it is not only slightly poisonous; it cannot be distinguished from healthy wheat until it is fully grown and deadly. **DON'T SLEEP WALK INTO A LIFE OF SIN. CULTIVATE THE SEED OF THE GOSPEL.**

FUNDRAISING FOR OUR CAPITAL PROJECTS

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO
ST RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH, SURBITON**

For some time now I have been mentioning our benefactor who has been matching every pound we have raised in recent months to help us with the restoration of the parish estate. **As I revealed last Sunday, our most generous benefactor is the Parish of St Raphael's, Surbiton.** We thank Fr Michael Lovell, the Parish Priest, the St Raphael's Finance Committee and the entire Parish for this most generous award. St Raphael's has matched our fundraising has gifted us nearly **£25,000** from last December and the Christmas Fayre to the recent Summer BBQ and into July. What a boost this is to our fundraising and to our plans to beautify the parish estate! I have listed the various projects from time to time. We shall update you regularly. Initially, the Projects Steering Team is planning new signage at the roadside. Too many people comment that they had no idea there was a church here! The time has come to rectify that. We also plan to build a new wall across the frontage of the roadside with a clearly defined entrance. We will call a parish meeting in September when everyone is back from holiday to discuss the projects and further fundraising. Thank you, St Raphael's, and thank you all for your fundraising work.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

Act Now: Contact your MP

A Private Members' Bill on assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying – has been reintroduced to the House of Commons. The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026. Our clear principled objection to this Bill remains and we renew our call for Catholics and people of goodwill to unite in prayer and compassionate action. **Archbishop Richard Moth, President of the Bishops' Conference, explains our strong opposition to this legislation:**

"The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill which aims to legalise assisted suicide has returned to the House of Commons, and Members of Parliament will vote on its Second Reading on 11 September. This bill is wrong in principle. It is also deeply flawed and, if passed, could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives. The Bill has a serious lack of protection for health and social care staff and risks putting many wonderful hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. I urge you to write to your Members of Parliament to petition them to vote against the Bill at Second Reading." Link here:

[Oppose Assisted Suicide - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#)

MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW - £150 PRIZE



St Catherine's
Monthly Prize Draw
£10.00
Recurring payment

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

Readers 19th July 8am: Stephanie Ferro
Readers 26th July 8am: Alberto Ravano
Counters 19th July Karen and Peter

10am: Kate Moir
10am: Shehara Gamage
Cleaners w/c 20th July

6pm: Ruth MacKinlay
6pm: Aurea Coloma
Audry and Siobhan