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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 04 OCTOBER 2026

SUNDAY 04 OCTOBER 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A/Cy II) Parish Mass Book Page 137 SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

8.00 am Mass: James Murphy RIP - Anniversary

Confessions – 9.30 am to 9.50 am

10.00 am Mass: For the People of the Parish

6.00 pm Mass: Roberts Family RIP

Note 8 am Mass

Mon 5th St Faustina Kowalska

8.00 am Mass: For the soul of Zenaida and Ben Baldonado and Benaida Baldonado-Bliss

8.30 am Rosary

Tue 6th NO MASS TODAY

Wed 7th NO MASS TODAY

Thurs 8th NO MASS TODAY

Fri 9th NO MASS TODAY

Sat 10th The Blessed Virgin Mary

9.00 am Mass: John Woodger RIP

9.30 am Adoration, Benediction Confessions – 9.45am to 10.15am

SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00 am Mass: Fushen Li RIP

Confessions – 9.30 am to 9.50 am

10.00 am Mass: Intentions of Mary Banks, Anthony and Family

6.00 pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

ARE YOU BEARING FRUIT OR KILLING THE SON?

Will you work in the vineyard of the Lord and produce the fruit for which he made you, thanking and praising God, or will you indulge yourselves, worshipping the false gods of pride, wilful ignorance of Christ, insolence, selfishness, indulging in pornography, promiscuity, fornication, rampant consumerism, denying that your divine benefactor even exists, killing his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in your hearts, often wiping him from your minds? By not embracing the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, never going to Confession, and not living all the Sacraments, we kill the Son of God in our hearts. There are grave dangers ahead for all of us if we cannot embrace Christ and live the Sacraments in truth and love. Do you have the faith to be a witness to Christ? Or will you melt away into paganism, atheism and modern humanism. **It is your choice – to love and serve God in his vineyard, or to kill his Son in your hearts.**

OCTOBER EVENTS

Sunday 4 October - Cake Sale after each Mass

Appeal for cakes, savouries, sweet treats

Sunday 11 October - International Food Fair 11.15 am

Appeal for Irish goodies, breads, soda breads, tarts

Sunday 18 October – CHRISTMAS FAIR MEETING

Sunday 18 October – Children's Mass Liturgy Workshop for parents 11.15 am in Sacred Heart Chapel (see over)

Sunday 25 October - Soup Sunday after all Masses

Friday 30 October – All Saints Children's Party

Friday 6 November – Rita's Club for the over 60's

Saturday 7 November – Karaoke Night 6 pm TBC

Saturday 7 November – Children's Club 3 – 5 pm

Sunday 8 November - MacMillan Cake Sale-all Masses

Saturday 5 December – Christmas Fayr

LECTIO DIVINA

Wednesday
8 pm
Sacristy

Weekly Offertory 27th September 2026

£946.86 (£199.18 Gift Aided envelopes, £180 Gift Aided standing orders, £98 Gift Aided Contactless, £75 non-Gift Aided Contactless and £394.68 cash).

TODAY there will be a collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. Envelopes are available in the church porch.

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 - ask to contact the Catholic Chaplain.

Savoury Sunday

Raised £460.50

Great work everyone. Another new record!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Adele Badrick, Sally Baker, Maureen Barney, Patrick Beglane, Tyler Curniffe, Renita D'Silva, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Kitty 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, Jack and Maureen Sanders, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmateer Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas, and residents of Amy Woodgate 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

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

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY AND SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

Donate using envelopes at the entrance, by cash, by Dona card machine and online here: www.cafod.org.uk

IMPORTANT: REGISTER NOW FOR THESE THREE COURSES BELOW

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC OR RETURNING TO YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

The next course for those who would like to know more about the Catholic faith and if they wish become Catholics begins on **Monday 19 October at 7.30 pm and then every Monday, 7.30 – 9 pm. There will be some flexibility with dates and times.** 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 have not yet made their First Holy Communion or received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact me and come to have a chat: petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk For the application form: [Click Sacramental Life – St Catherine of](#)

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The next Confirmation course for teenagers who would like to be confirmed in May/June 2027 begins on **Friday 6 November, 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm (parents are invited to this first session).** Teenagers from 12/13 years and above who judge they are ready to deepen their relationship with God are welcome to join the group. The date of the Confirmation ceremony will be arranged with the Bishop and with parents once gathered. Applications should begin with an e-mail to: petersebastian@rcaos.org.uk For the application form: [Click Sacramental Life – St Catherine of Siena](#)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND FIRST CONFESSION APPLICATIONS

If you would like to register your child to receive their FHC in 2027, please complete the registration form which can be found on the parish website at: [Click Sacramental Life – St Catherine of Siena](#) Please hand the form to Fr Peter, together with the required attachments mentioned in the form (Baptism certificate if not baptized here; photo; £20 contribution for books). A vital requirement is weekly Sunday Mass attendance. Parents must attend Mass with their child every week from now onwards in order to qualify for the course. They must also help their child to go Confession at least twice a year. The course will begin in **mid November**. The FHC ceremony will be in June 2027.

FINAL WEEK FOR APPLICATIONS: TWO JOB VACANCIES IN THE PARISH

JOB ADVERT 1

PARISH SECRETARY AND ACCOUNTS CLERK

To provide efficient administrative, secretarial, reception and bookkeeping support to the Parish Priest and the parish, maintaining records, managing Mass intentions with parishioners, helping with production of newsletter and acting as a welcoming first point of contact and ensuring the smooth running of the parish office.

Salary and contract: part-time £15 per hour. Permanent
Hours: 20 hours per week, over 5 days with flexibility to vary the pattern of working hours.

Starting date: Monday 19 or 26 October

Closing date for applications: Friday 9 October

For full details link and for application guidance, link:

<https://archdiocesofsouthwark.bamboohr.com/careers/32>

JOB ADVERT 2

ESTATE AND HALL HIRE MANAGER

To oversee and manage the maintenance of the church and church hall buildings and the church estate.

To arrange, promote and manage the hire of the church hall to maximise income.

Salary, contract, hours: part-time £13 per hour upto 10 hours per week and 20% of Hall Hire income in keeping with agreed terms and with flexibility to vary the pattern of working hours. **Starting date:** Monday 19 or 26 October. **Closing date for applications:**

Friday 9 October. [Full job description here.](#)

Please send your CV with a covering letter to:

recruitment@rcaos.org.uk

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD AT HOLY MASS - 3 to 5 yr olds

We are re-starting what is usually known as "Children's Liturgy" when children aged 3-5 attending Mass leave their parents just before the Liturgy of the Word (Scripture Readings) and process into the Parish Hall with DBS-cleared catechists for a specially prepared Bible session designed for them. They return just after the Bidding Prayers to rejoin their parents. Christine Byrne has kindly agreed to help establish a structure and train a team to deliver Children's Liturgy sessions modelled on the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) which is highly praised by our Archbishop John Wilson. Christine and I would like to call parents to a 30 minute workshop on **Sunday 18 October at 11.15 am**, together with anyone who would like to be trained to guide the children during Children's Liturgy, and indeed anyone wishing to learn about how one can foster prayer and share the Gospel with young children using principles from CGS, used around the world. This fruitful method can also be used by families in the home. **Note:** CGS is a Christian formation approach developed for children, based on the educational principles and observations of Maria Montessori applied to biblical and liturgical themes. Christine is a certified CGS catechist and formation leader who serves with a team at the Cabrini Campus in our diocese and is keen to share her experience with the parish. The approach trusts that children have an innate religious potential and an absorbent mind, where the adult catechist serves as a facilitator and guide rather than a lecturer, letting the child's own contemplation and relationship with God unfold. I myself have attended a CGS session, and I was very taken with it.

Appeal for Irish goodies, breads, soda breads, tarts

Readers 4th Oct 8am: Mark Murphy
Readers 11th Oct 8am: Alberto Ravano
Counters 4th Oct Lizette and Inoka

10am: Alex Duval
 10am: Louisa Nkohkwo
Cleaners w/c 5th Oct

6pm: Emilia de Rennes
 6pm: Ruth MacKinlay
 Concie, Rovenia and Inoka