

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A - 25TH JUNE 2023

(Psalter Week 4)

Entrance Antiphon: ***The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.***

Responsorial Psalm: In your great love, answer me, O God.

Communion Antiphon: ***I am the Good Shepherd, and I lay down my life for my sheep, says the Lord.***

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please use the Mass Intention Envelopes available at the back of the church and put it through the office letter-box with your contact number. The recommended Stipend by the Archdiocese for a Mass Intention is £10.

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am until the final confession and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and by prior arrangement.

Parish Prayer Group meet at 2:30pm on Mondays in the Upper room of the Hall.

Divine Mercy Devotion after Mass on Wednesdays.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays 10am to 12noon with Rosary.

Saturday morning prayer starts at 8:45am followed by the rosary and then Mass.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Paul.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - THURSDAY 29TH JUNE

The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles is a holy day of obligation.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - PETER'S PENCE - These offerings enable the Holy Father and the Apostolic See to support the needs of the Universal Church.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

For some time now a Parish Pastoral Council has been slowly evolving in the parish. The Parish Pastoral Council is crucial to the successful mission of a parish to meet the needs within and beyond its doors. We currently have many volunteers in this parish and their contribution is much appreciated, however, we are having two sign up Sundays in July, when all parishioners will be invited to consider whether they would like to volunteer for certain aspects of parish life. Please see Sign up Sundays for the list of volunteering roles and Caritas Initiative for more information on this role.

SIGN UP SUNDAYS - 1ST/2ND JULY AND 8TH/9TH JULY

Our Parish Pastoral Council is planning many exciting ventures and these require greater community participation through volunteers. On the 1st/2nd July and the 8th/9th July after the Masses, parishioners will be invited to sign up to any of the roles they may like to help with or organise and run. The Parish Pastoral Council will be outside the church to answer any questions. The roles for volunteers include:

1. PACT parish representative
2. Friday café volunteers
3. Parish Building Maintenance
4. Caritas parish representative
5. Finance Committee Members
6. Children's Liturgy
7. Monthly/termly movie night
8. Monthly Foodbank Sunday
9. Christmas Fair volunteers
10. Stalls for Christmas Fair
11. Previously approved Safeguarding persons for upper room cinema for children at the Christmas Fair
12. Support for families about family matters
13. Parish Magazine
14. Parish Office Support

CARITAS INITIATIVE

Following the launch of Caritas Southwark in March by Archbishop John Wilson we are looking for a parish representative to take this initiative forward.

"The aim of Caritas Southwark is to put faith into action in both practical and prayerful ways within each parish and school, and to offer support to existing charities and organisations engaged in social justice".

As part of the Caritas initiative, we are also looking for someone interested in becoming the point of contact for the Prison Advice and Care Trust (PACT) within our Parish. For further information on either of these initiatives contact Rosie Desbruslais.

DEATH NOTICES

1. The Funeral Mass for Maureen Bridget Griffin RIP will take place on Tuesday 4th July at 11:00am followed by Cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 12:30pm.
2. With sadness we announce the death of James O'Hanlon on the 14th June at Orpington Hospital. Funeral details will be announced when known.

May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY

We are looking for young people aged 7+ who either play/are learning to play musical instruments and/or young people who have a passion for music/singing, who can sing or would like to learn how to sing. If you would like your children to join this Ministry please bring them to a meeting in the hall on Sunday 2nd July after the 11.30am Mass.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP

We are a companioning group here to support you. If you think that talking to someone could help you in your bereavement, please come along and spend time with others by sharing your experience or just by being present.

We meet in the small hall on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 1.30 - 3 pm.

N.B. We are not a counselling group.

100 CLUB WINNERS

MONTH	£75	£50	£25	£10
MARCH	K. Padfield	J. Martin	E. Duncan	P. Varnes
APRIL	M. O'Grady-Hills	J. Chick	J. Martin	C. Tragheim
MAY	Fr. Paul	M. Wall	B. Collins	J. Brookes

SLCF AGM - The SLCF AGM is on Monday 26th June at 8pm in the upper room and open to anyone who would like to attend. The SLCF Team.

A DAY WITH MARY - SATURDAY 8TH JULY

9:30am to 5:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary, Burnt Oak Lane, Blackfen DA15 8LW. See poster on the notice board or visit www adaywithmary.org.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT - SATURDAY 15TH JULY AT 7:30PM

The Spiritual and Social Events Team are organising a Quiz night on Saturday 15th July 2023 in the church hall from 7.30pm. Tickets priced at £7 each. Ticket selling after Sunday masses on the 24th/25th June, 1st/2nd July and 8th/9th July. Bring your own food and drink. Raffle tickets sold on the night. Any raffle prize donations most welcome, thank you. Profits from the event will be donated to the church.

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE - SEPT 23RD

3PM, AT ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL - If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let your parish know as soon as possible, **and no later than the end of July**, providing the following details: your names, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating. Alternatively email your details and parish location to the email: mflse@rcaos.org.uk. Thank you. Marriage & Family Life SE Team.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 24th June

6.30pm

12th Sunday of the Year A

Evelyn Martin RIP

Sunday 25th June

8.30am

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Holy Souls

10.00am

The People of the Parish

11.30am

Intentions of the Cahill Family

Monday 26th June

9.30am

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Paul O'Grady RIP

Tuesday 27th June

9.45am

Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Margarita and Joseph Edward Kane RIP

Wednesday 28th June

9.30am

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr and Doctor of the Church

Michael McGrath RIP

7:30pm - Vigil Mass

Peter Spaul RIP

Thursday 29th June

9.30am

**Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Holy Day of Obligation**

The People of the Parish

Friday 30th June

9.30am

The First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church

Holy Souls

Saturday 1st July

9.30am

The Blessed Virgin Mary

Amelia and Denis D'Rozario RIP

Collection	18th June 2023	2nd Collection	Day for Life
Cash	£446.21	Cash	£157.44
Gift Aid	£353.10	Gift Aid	£105.00
Total	£799.31	Total	£262.44
Monthly Standing Order	£4790		

Please pray for all the sick of our parish who are at home and in hospitals. Please also pray for the souls of the faithful departed that God may grant them eternal rest.

***Open my eyes, so that I may see the wonderful truths in your law.
Psalms 119:18***