

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B - SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

**21ST JANUARY 2024**

*(Psalter Week 3)*

Entrance Antiphon: ***O Sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.***

*Responsorial Psalm: Lord, make me know your ways.*

Communion Antiphon: ***Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.***

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.

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

Parish Bereavement Group meet in hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month 1.30-3pm.

Children's Liturgy dates for Spring/Summer 2024: 4th February, 3rd March, 21st April, 12th May, 9th June and 7th July.

Have a blessed week.

**Fr. Paul.**

## **SUBSCRIBE TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER OR UPDATES BY EMAIL**

If you would like to receive the newsletter or updates by email please visit the parish website at <https://www.stlsidcup.org> and click on the Subscribe to our Newsletter button which is at the top of the homepage and complete the form.

## **NEXT SUNDAY IS RACIAL JUSTICE DAY**

There will be a second collection for the Catholic Association for Racial Justice to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in the wider community. The Annual Racial Justice Sunday Mass at St. George's Cathedral, will take place at 10 am on Sunday 28th January 2024 and will be celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson. All are welcome.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

St. Lawrence's Church has started a monthly Children's Liturgy group for pre-First Holy Communion children at the 10am Mass on Sundays (led by DBS-checked parish volunteers). These are the dates for Spring/Summer 2024: 4th February, 3rd March, 21st April, 12th May, 9th June and 7th July. For further details, please contact Catherine Culbert (07828003594).

## **BARN DANCE - 3RD FEBRUARY 7.30PM TO 10.30PM**

The St. Lawrence's Barn Dance with our favourite band 'The Cajun Boogaloo' is on Saturday 3rd February 2024. Tickets will be on sale after Mass every Sunday. Individual tickets £10 - Family tickets £25. Bring your own drinks and snacks. There will be a Raffle and Best Barn Dance Fancy Dress prize. Proceeds will go to the St. Lawrence Charitable Fund.

## **PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS BOOK**

Parishioners are invited to write any prayer intentions in the Parish Prayer Intentions book which has been placed at the back of the church. Please do take some time to read the intentions and include them in your prayers. The Parish Prayer group will pray for the intentions in the book when they meet on Mondays at 2:30pm in the Upper Room of the Hall. All are welcome to join the Parish Prayer group.

## **100 CLUB WINNERS**

There are a few 100 Club numbers available at £5/month. These are displayed at the back of the church. If you would like to join the club please email your contact details to the parish office at [sidcup@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:sidcup@rcaos.org.uk).

## **DEATH NOTICES**

The 9.45am Mass on Tuesday 23rd January is replaced by the Funeral Mass.

1. The Funeral Mass for Margaret *Maggie* Carter RIP will take place on Tuesday 23rd January at 10.00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 11.45am.
2. The Funeral Mass for Andrew Greene RIP will take place on Tuesday 30th January at 11.00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 12.30pm.
3. With sadness we announce the death of former parishioner Marta Haworth. Funeral details will be advised when known.

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

## **COFFEE MORNINGS AND REPOSITORY**

Come and join fellow parishioners in the Church Hall after the 9:30am Mass on Wednesdays and after the 8:30am and 10am Masses on Sunday for tea/coffee, biscuits and cake. The repository is open on Wednesdays and on Sundays during the coffee mornings. The 2024 Catholic Directories are available in the Repository.

## **SIDCUP FOODBANK AT NEW COMMUNITY CHURCH SIDCUP**

Just a reminder that there are two foodbank bins at the back of the church. If you are able to provide any non-perishable essentials for a weekly shop such as pasta, soup, beans, tea, coffee, sauces, tinned fish, squash, sugar, canned vegetables etc. please put them in the bins. **Please do not put out of date, frozen, or fresh produce in the food bins.** For further info contact me on 07986 348013. Thanks Nick Wells.

## **A DAY WITH MARY - SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY**

9:30am to 5:00pm at St. Anselm's Church 89 West Hill, Dartford DA1 2HJ. Please see the poster on the notice board for details or visit [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org).

## **BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE COURSE**

As part of the preparation for the 2025 Jubilee year, the Southwark Marriage and Family Team will be running a Building a Better Marriage Course throughout the Archdiocese from February 2024 on the following dates between 9.45 am - 4.30 pm: February 3rd: Maidstone Parish, March 16th: Gravesend Parish, April 13th: Whitstable Parish and June 29th: Sittingbourne Parish. The one-day course is for married couples (whether married for one year, 60 years or anywhere in between). It seeks to help husbands and wives to make their marriage better and to improve their communication skills. There is no group sharing and private information remains private to each couple. Couples who have attended previously have found it enjoyable, informative and uplifting. For more information contact the Marriage and Family Life team through the website <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/marriage-and-family-life>.

## **CARITAS SOUTHWARK ANNIVERSARY**

This March is the first anniversary of Caritas Southwark. To mark the occasion, Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate Mass at St. George's Cathedral on Saturday 16th March at 12.30pm. There will be an event in Amigo Hall afterwards, highlighting some of the wonderful projects taking place in various parishes across the archdiocese. All are welcome.

## **HIGHER EDUCATION CHAPLAINCY EVENT - SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY**

The Higher Education Chaplaincy in the Archdiocese of Southwark would like to invite all those in higher education to a Q&A event with the Archbishop on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 at St George's Cathedral. The event starts at 3.45pm with a tour of the Cathedral followed by the Q&A session and Vigil Mass at 6pm. Refreshments and pizzas at 7pm in Amigo Hall. Everyone in Higher Education are welcome to attend. For further details visit <https://fb.me/e/4PmFDo5ll>.

## **NEW PROLIFE INITIATIVE - CONNECT 2024**

Would you like to connect locally, in-person, with other people who support the pro-life cause? March for Life UK are inviting people to be part of a new initiative called 'Connect' which will help establish local pro-life groups to pray, fundraise, socialise, educate and get involved in outreach. To find out more and be part of an initial online meeting please email Isabel at [info@marchforlife.co.uk](mailto:info@marchforlife.co.uk).

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Saturday 20th January</b>	<b>Third Sunday of the Year B</b>
6.30pm	The People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 21st January</b>	<b>Third Sunday of the Year B</b>
8.30am	Salvin and Eliza Pinto RIP
10.00am	In Thanksgiving - Susan Grace
11.30am	Clifford Mascarenhas RIP
<b>Monday 22nd January</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Lydia Mabel Jagger RIP
<b>Tuesday 23rd January</b>	<b>Funeral Mass</b>
10.00am	Funeral Mass for Margaret <i>Maggie</i> Carter RIP
<b>Wednesday 24th January</b>	<b>Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>
9.30am	Tim Aseervatham RIP
<b>Thursday 25th January</b>	<b>The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle</b>
9.30am	Clifford Mascarenhas RIP
<b>Friday 26th January</b>	<b>Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops</b>
9.30am	Michael Griffin RIP
<b>Saturday 27th January</b>	<b>Saint Angela Merici, Virgin</b>
9.30am	Carmel Farrell RIP

Collection	14th January 2024
Cash	£530.29
Gift Aid	£492.00
Total	£1022.29
Monthly Standing Order	£4800

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

***Keep yourselves in the love of God; look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.***

***Jude 1:21***