

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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25TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C - 18TH SEPTEMBER 2022

(Psalter Week 1)

Entrance Antiphon: ***I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.***

Communion Antiphon: ***You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.***

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II RIP

We receive with great sadness the news that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has died.

We give thanks to Almighty God for her witness to the Gospel of Christ throughout her life and for her unfailing dedication and service to the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth and all people of goodwill. We now pray for the repose of her soul: may she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

We also pray for King Charles III, the Queen Consort and all the Royal Family at this time of bereavement. We offer them our deepest sympathy and condolence.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Paul.

TODAY IS HOME MISSION SUNDAY

The 2nd collection today is for the Catholic Agency for the support of parish evangelisation in our own country. Prayer Cards are available at the back of the church.

WELCOMING MINISTRY

Thank you to those parishioners who have already volunteered to be part of this ministry. At present we do not have enough people to get this up and running. It was a very clear message from the parish consultation for the Synod from both the stewards and parishioners generally, that this role was valued and appreciated. Many relationships have continued to grow since. A friendly face and a kind word of welcome means so much and truly reflects what we want to be as a welcoming church. Please consider joining us so that this work can continue. Email sidcup@rcaos.org.uk and state your preferred Mass. Thank you. Pat Slonecki.

MASS SERVERS TRAINING - SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER AT 11AM

If your child has made their first Holy Communion and you would like them to serve at Mass, please bring them along to the Mass servers training on Saturday 24th September at 11am. Thank you for volunteering your child for this lovely ministry.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Would someone like to establish a Divine Mercy prayer group in the parish? Divine Mercy is a popular devotion among many people who have found it an effective method of prayer. Please email the office sidcup@rcaos.org.uk or speak with Fr. Paul.

RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

In September and October this year, the Relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales.

The relics will be hosted in our Archdiocese as below:

1. St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Rd, Southwark, London SE1 7HY.
Wednesday 19th October 9:45am – Friday 21st October 10:00am
2. Aylesford Priory, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX
Monday 24th October 7:00pm – Friday 28th October 1:00pm

Advance booking is required. Individuals and groups can register your attendance at your preferred location by visiting the link <https://www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/>.

DEATH NOTICES

1. Funeral Mass for Joan Hollins RIP will take place on Tuesday 27th September at 11:00am followed by burial at Kemnal Park Cemetery at 1:00pm.
2. Funeral Mass for Patricia Mary Soleil RIP will take place on Tuesday 11th October at 11:30am followed by cremation at Kemnal Park Cemetery at 12:45pm.
3. With sadness we announce the death of John Somerset.

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

ANNUAL MASS COUNT 2022

The diocesan annual mass count begins this Sunday and will continue over the next four Sundays. Will volunteers please collect and return the tally counters from the sacristy before and after each Mass.

SYNOD 2023: NATIONAL SYNTHESIS DOCUMENT

The National Synthesis Document reflecting the responses from each diocese in England and Wales for next year's Synod in Rome can be accessed by visiting the link <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/06/synod-national-synthesis-england-wales.pdf>

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR PARISH COMMUNICATIONS ROLE

We are looking for a volunteer to assist us with communications within the parish. The role will involve reviewing how we communicate both with paper and through online media and implementing these initiatives. If you wish to volunteer for this role please send an email to the parish office at sidcup@rcaos.org.uk.

PARISH COFFEE MORNINGS

The coffee mornings are held after the 8:30am and 10:00am Mass on Sundays and on Wednesdays from 10am to 11:30am. Please come along. The Repository will be open during the coffee mornings.

FORMATION DAY FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST AND LECTORS - SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER 10AM TO 4PM

The formation day will take place at St. Stephen's Church Welling, 26 Deepdene Road, Welling DA16 3QL. The theme for the formation day is 'Understanding and celebrating the Eucharist: Post Pandemic'. To register please send an email to Carmel on carmelurbanoviez@rcaos.org.uk. All Extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist and Lectors are encouraged to attend this formation day. Please see the poster on the notice board for full details of the programme for the day.

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. Anything you may be able to give would be gratefully accepted. For info please contact me. Thanks Nick Wells 07986 348013.

100 CLUB WINNERS

MONTH	£75	£50	£25	£10
JUNE	S. Eastwood	F. Lovett	R. Metaxis	M.Wells
JULY	A. Maxted	J. Martin	P. Slonecki	B. Safferty
AUGUST	C. Kitchen	C. Spencer	J. Chick	D. Martin

DAY WITH MARY

Saturday 15th October - 9:30am to 5:30pm at Westminster Cathedral, 42 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QW. See the notice board or visit www adaywithmary.org.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 17th September

6.30pm

25th Sunday of the Year C

The People of the Parish

Sunday 18th September

8.30am

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Rose McDonald - 90th Birthday

10.00am

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II RIP

11.30am

Ludovina DeMello RIP

Monday 19th September

9.30am

Feria

Ann Purcell RIP

Tuesday 20th September

9.45am

Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Intentions of Julia and Ken Pimbley

Wednesday 21st September

9.30am

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Intention of Louise Kathy Ernie Hasset

Thursday 22nd September

9.30am

Feria

Intention of Imma and In Thanksgiving

Friday 23rd September

9.30am

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest

Stephen James RIP

Saturday 24th September

9.30am

Our Lady of Walsingham

Philip Grey RIP

Collection	11th September	2nd Collection:	Catholic Education Service
Cash	£185.01	Cash	£155.25
Gift Aid	£316.80	Gift Aid	£308.40
Total	£501.81	Total	£463.65
Monthly Standing Order	£4731		

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.

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. John 15:7