

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### 26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C - 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022

*(Psalter Week 2)*

Entrance Antiphon: ***All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.***

*Responsorial Psalm: My soul, give praise to the Lord.*

Communion Antiphon: ***Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.***

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.

On Saturday 1st October Deacon Mark Wharton will be ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Southwark. Please keep him in your prayers and please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Have a blessed week.

**Fr. Paul.**

## **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS**

Parishioners have expressed a desire to form a group who will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass on Wednesday mornings. Please feel free to join this group. Devotional prayer such as Divine Mercy can be a very effective form of prayer both for the individual, the group and the wider parish community. This will commence on the 5th October the Memorial day of the canonisation of St. Faustina Kowalska.

## **RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES**

A coach has been booked for Tuesday 25th October so we can go as a parish group on pilgrimage to Aylesford to visit the relics of St Bernadette Soubirous of Lourdes. The coach will depart from the church at 10.30am on Tuesday 25th October and leave Aylesford at 3.00pm. Costs to cover the travel will be by voluntary donation however we suggest £15 per person. Any shortfall will be covered by the parish. If you wish to travel as part of a parish group please write your name on the clipboard at the back of the church and place your donation in an envelope with your name on it and hand it in to the office. There are 52 seats on the coach.

For further details of the Relics of St Bernadette pilgrimage please visit the link <https://www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/>.

## **PARISH PRAYER GROUP**

The Parish Prayer Group will recommence its meetings on Monday 3rd of October 2022. The time of the meetings will be at the new time of 3.00 - 4.00pm in the upstairs room of the hall (SLCC) and followed by tea. Everyone is welcome.

## **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](mailto:sidcup@rcaos.org.uk) and state your preferred Mass. Thank you. Pat Slonecki.

## **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 will continue today and over the next two 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## **ROSARY COLLECTION BOX - CANTENIAN ASSOCIATION**

The members of the Blackheath and Chislehurst Cantenian Circle have a rosary collection box at the back of the Church. In the past 12 years tens of thousands of rosaries were collected by the Cantenian Association and sent to Missions abroad and to the indigenous people of Australia and prisons in the UK including over 600 rosaries generously donated by the parishioners of St. Lawrence. For information about the Rosary Collection or the Cantenian Association please speak to Frank Savage (020 8309 5061), Derek Bell (020 8300 8246), Peter Gariff (020 8309 7524) or Henry Potter ( 020 8309 9354).

## **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](http://www.adaywithmary.org).

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday 24th September**

6.30pm

**Sunday 25th September**

8.30am

10.00am

11.30am

**Monday 26th September**

9.30am

**Tuesday 27th September**

9.45am

1.00pm

**Wednesday 28th September**

9.30am

**Thursday 29th September**

9.30am

**Friday 30th September**

9.30am

**Saturday 1st October**

9.30am

**26th Sunday of the Year C**

Bill O'Meara RIP

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Arthur Maxted Senior RIP

Agnes and Martin Gurhy RIP

The People of the Parish

**Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs**

Intention of Juana Romo Martin

**Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest**

Wellbeing of Brian O'Connell

Funeral Mass of Joan Hollins RIP

**Feria**

Denis Clifford RIP

**Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,  
Archangels**

Intentions of the Roberto Family

**Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

Eric Chubb RIP

**Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and  
Doctor of the Church**

Denis Clifford RIP

Collection	18th September	2nd Collection:	Home Mission
Cash	£172.23	Cash	£203.85
Gift Aid	£249.00	Gift Aid	£ 27.00
Total	£421.23	Total	£230.85
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.

***Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Psalms 100:3***