

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C - 9TH OCTOBER 2022

(Psalter Week 4)

Entrance Antiphon: ***If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.***

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Communion Antiphon: ***The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.***

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.

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.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Paul.

NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION APPLICATION FORMS

The First Holy Communion programme for children in Year 3 and above will be starting in November. Both parent and child will need to be regular Sunday Mass attendees in this parish in order to join the course. For an application form please see Fr. Allan after Mass. The deadline for returning completed application forms is Sunday 23rd October.

REINTRODUCTION OF COLLECTION BASKETS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES

Please will a team of volunteers take up the collection after the prayers of the faithful. Four people per Mass and place all the baskets directly in the sacristy for safe keeping.

OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The practice of the rosary is an effective prayer to be prayed individually, as a family and as a community. Praying through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, the Mother of our Church leads us to her Son as St Louis de Montfort said 'To Jesus through Mary'. Please feel free to join in on Fridays after Mass and on Saturdays before Mass.

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. Divine Mercy Prayer Leaflets are available at the back of the church.

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. Please write your name on the clipboard at the back of the church and hand your donation in an envelope with your name to the office. There are ONLY 12 seats left on the coach. Please bring a packed lunch on the day.

For details of the Relics of St Bernadette <https://www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/>.

DEATH NOTICES

1. Funeral Mass of Patricia Mary Soleil RIP will take place on Tuesday 11th October at 11:30am followed by cremation at Kemnal Park Crematorium at 12:45pm.
2. The Funeral Mass of Baby Franklin Osei-Boakye RIP will take place on Friday 14th October at 11:30am followed by burial at 1pm at Kemnal Park Cemetery.

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. Volunteers please collect/return the counters from/to the sacristy before/after the Mass.

TODAY IS PRISONERS SUNDAY

Please pray for Prisoners and their families. Collection envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you for supporting this cause.

2ND COLLECTION TODAY - CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. Your donations can help CAFOD to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries. Please use the CAFOD envelopes available at the back of the church or visit cafod.org.uk/fastday.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP

The Parish Prayer Group has recommenced its meetings on Mondays at 3.00 - 4.00pm in the upstairs room of the hall (SLCC) and followed by tea. Everyone is welcome.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SIDCUP

The monthly prayer meeting will take place in the upstairs room of the hall (SLCC) on Saturday, 15th October from 9am until 9.30am. All are welcome.

COMBONI MISSIONARIES APPEAL - SUNDAY 15TH/16TH OCTOBER

The Mission appeal from the Comboni Missionaries (Verona Fathers) will take place next weekend on the 15th/16th October. Fr. Martin Devenish will give a short talk on their missionary work. A collection will be taken at all the Masses for their mission work.

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. 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.

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. Repository will be open during these times.

TANIA TUTORS - Private tutoring for 11+ English, Maths, verbal and non-verbal practise. English and Maths tutoring up to GCSE level. Contact Tania on 07496179549.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 8th October

6.30pm

Sunday 9th October

8.30am

10.00am

11.30am

Monday 10th October

9.30am

Tuesday 11th October

9.45am

11:30am

Wednesday 12th October

9.30am

Thursday 13th October

9.30am

Friday 14th October

9.30am

11:30am

Saturday 15th October

9.30am

28th Sunday of the Year C

Philip Grey

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Wellbeing of Kevin Davison

Intention of Rose Calver

For Prisoners and their Families

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Felix Gray

Feria

Tony Driscoll RIP

Funeral Mass of Patricia Mary Soleil RIP

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Flor Sanchez Ziegler RIP

Saint Edward the Confessor, King

Mary Aseervatham RIP

Feria

Intention of Braz Athaide

Funeral Mass of Baby Franklin Osei-Boakye RIP

Saint Teresa of Jesus (of Ávila), Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Ann Cone RIP

Collection	2nd October
Cash	£547.38
Gift Aid	£377.09
Total	£924.47
Monthly Standing Order	£4691

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.

And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you. Psalms 9:10