

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 26th April 6.30pm	Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday Bobby Gray RIP	
Sunday 27th April 8.30am	Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday Edward Przydrozny RIP	
10.00am	Beatrice and Michael O'Sullivan RIP and Deceased Members of the Family	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Cathleen O'Dwyer RIP	
Monday 28th April 9.30am	Saint George, Martyr, Patron of England Joseph Peter O'Connor RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 29th April 9.30am	Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Anne Maxted RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 30th April 9.30am	Saint Pius V, Pope Bryan Moran RIP	Coffee Morning
Thursday 1st May 9.30am	Saint Joseph the Worker Brendan McAtamney RIP	
Friday 2nd May 9.30am	St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Well-being for Maggie Cahill and Family	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 3rd May 9.30am	Saints Philip and James, Apostles Margareth Flahive RIP	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	20th April 2025	Good Friday	Holy Places
Cash	£2204.67	Cash	£354.36
Gift Aid	£2307.60		
Total	£4512.27		
Monthly Standing Order	£4407		

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

Baptism preparation course for parents will take place on the first Monday of every month at 7pm. Call to book a place.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For the use of new technologies.

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crisis of our times.

PRAYER REQUESTS - If you would like to request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Those who have died recently: Eugene Joseph McGinn, Eileen Gaff, Mary Margaret McMorrow, George Gallagher, Freda Basley, and those who are in poor health: Martin Pender, Ella Duncan, Joan Somerset.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Our next film night will take place on Friday 9th May. We will be going back to our usual time, so arrive from 7pm for social and refreshments and the film will start at 7.30. Please see poster for details. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10am SUNDAY MASS - The Children's Liturgy dates for the Summer term are as follows: April 27th, May 4th, 11th, 18th, June 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, July 6th, 13th. The Children's Liturgy Easter party will take place on Sunday 27th April from 11 am to 12.15 pm in the upper room. All are welcome and an Easter Egg hunt will take place too.

ARCHBISHOP JOHN - Let Pope Francis' legacy be one of love. In a message to the Archdiocese, following the death of Pope Francis, Archbishop John Wilson called on us to imitate the Holy Father and be witnesses to the Gospel. The Archbishop said "let Pope Francis's legacy be a legacy of love" and called on us to be like the Holy Father by being "a witness to the Gospel, a witness to the love and mercy of Christ, and never be afraid to speak the truth of the Lord Jesus and his saving Gospel". You can watch or read the full message at rcaos.org.uk/legacyoflove.

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SECOND COLLECTION

For over half a century, St George's Cathedral has been the Mother church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50,000 Roman Catholics. For many Catholics living and working across London and the south-east of England, St George's has been a beacon of light. Today, St George's Cathedral continues to attract thousands of worshippers and visitors each year, as well as serving a lively local parish community, which proudly reflects the rich culture and ethnic diversity of South London. The Cathedral frequently hosts important Diocesan and national celebrations, as well as concerts and events for various Catholic charities. There is a rich musical tradition, maintaining a choir of boys and men, as well as a girls' choir, both of which sing at Sunday Masses and on major feasts. In many respects, St George's Cathedral serves as a spiritual home and "beehive" for Catholic evangelisation and mission across the Archdiocese of Southwark. St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship. Thank you!

Donate online: www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral

Telephone weekdays 9am - 5pm: 020 79602504

Cash/Cheque - please use St George's Cathedral envelopes at the back of the church.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND SECOND COLLECTION - 3RD AND 4TH MAY

CONCERT IN AID OF COMMUNITY HOSPICE

A date for your diary, 17th May at 2.30 pm, St. Lawrence's will host a concert in aid of the **Community Hospice** in the presence of the Mayor, our local MP and the Chairman of the hospice trustees. Please see poster for details. Performed by the talented young orchestral and band musicians of Bexley, tickets are £10 each or £25 for a family ticket with up to 3 children. PLEASE support the initiative.

MARIST WAY - The next meeting will be on Saturday 3rd May, we will meet in the upper room of the church hall after 9.30 Mass. All are very welcome.

BEXLEY DEANERY PILGRIMAGE - Walk (or Bus) to St. John Vianney Church, Bexleyheath from St. Lawrence's on Saturday, 5 July. For further details, see poster at back of Church or phone Tom: 07719 338375.

MARIST DAY AT WALSINGHAM - Saturday, 5 July. It is hoped to hire a mini-bus, departing 8am from St. Lawrence's. If interested, please phone 07719 338375. Cost should be around £35, depending on numbers. See poster at back of Church for more details.

URGENT - PLEASE REGISTER INTEREST - JUBILEE CELEBRATION AT AYLESFORD

The Parish is looking into the viability of hiring a mini-bus/coach to take parishioners to Aylesford Priory for the Southwark Diocese Pilgrimage on Saturday 7 June. The coach will depart from outside the Church at 9.00 am and return at approximately 6pm. Timings will be confirmed closer to the date. The cost per person will be dependent on how many St Lawrence pilgrims need transport, but varying between £15 and £25 per seat according to numbers. Please send an email with your details/seat requirements to the parish office at sidcup@rcaos.org.uk as soon as possible.

REPOSITORY - First Holy Communion cards and small gifts are available for sale in the repository in the Church Hall. You can visit us on Sundays until 11:30 a.m. or on Wednesdays after the coffee morning.

INNER WHEEL QUIZ NIGHT - 16th May, 7:30 PM at Sidcup Sports Centre.

Tickets £10 - email chrisheadrapson@gmail.com to book.