

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 5th July 6.30pm	Fourteenth Sunday Year C Stanley Gooch RIP	
Sunday 6th July 8.30am	Fourteenth Sunday Year C Patrick Odijie RIP	
10.00am	Thanksgiving Mr & Mrs Patina Obah	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	George Loizou RIP	
Monday 7th July 9.30am	Feria Edel McEveney RIP	2.30pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 8th July 9.30am 11.00am	Feria John Primololo RIP Funeral John Marcelino Mascarenhas RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 9th July 9.30am 11.00am	Feria Intentions of Jane and Tony Regan Funeral John Arthur William Stone RIP	Coffee Morning
Thursday 10th July 9.30am	Feria Martin Pender RIP	
Friday 11th July 9.30am	Saint Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe Veronica Savage RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 12th July 9.30am	Feria Intentions of Mary Healy	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	29th June 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£205	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£239.95	None	Stella Maris
Total	£444.95		
Monthly Standing Order	£4217		

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 JULY

For formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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: John Stone, Elizabeth Gray, John Mascarenhas, and those who are in poor health: Paul Callaghan, Ella Duncan, Joan Somerset.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10am SUNDAY MASS - The Children's Liturgy dates for the Summer term are as follows: July 6th, 13th.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Friday 11th July All are welcome to join in our next film night. We meet from 7pm for social time and refreshments (provided by us), and the film starts at 7.30. Please see poster at the back of the church for further details.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK - APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA / STELLA MARIS Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult and hazardous conditions. Stella Maris is the maritime agency of the Catholic Church. Its teams of chaplains provide practical help and pastoral care to seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the World. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church through the 2nd collection or on the card reader terminals, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. There are some gift aid envelopes from Stella Maris available at the back of the Church. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) to continue its important work with seafarers and fishers.

INTERNATIONAL MASS & FAREWELL FOR FR. ALLAN

We will be celebrating our annual International Mass on Sunday 28th July at 11.30am. Parishioners are warmly encouraged to wear their national or traditional dress to mark this vibrant and joyful occasion.

After Mass, everyone is invited to a shared celebration in the church hall. Please feel free to bring a dish from your home country to contribute to the buffet—refreshments will be available.

During this gathering, we will also take the opportunity to give thanks for Fr. Allan's ministry as Assistant Priest at St. Lawrence's from 2022 to 2025. We are grateful for his time with us and send him with our prayers and best wishes as he begins his new appointment as Assistant Priest at St. Thomas More in Dulwich.

From this weekend, farewell collection envelopes will be available at the back of the church and enclosed with the newsletter for those who wish to contribute towards a farewell gift for Fr. Allan. All are welcome. Please place the envelopes in the collection basket or hand them in to the parish office.

PARISH CAR PARK

Following a couple of disturbing incidents recently where Parish staff were threatened and intimidated by a group of young men using the Parish car park for illicit purposes, a report from the Met Police has recommended that we review security measures around the Church premises, including installation of CCTV cameras around the car park. The proposal has been accepted by the Parish Council and installation work will commence shortly and should not cause inconvenience to members of our Community. Please use extra care and patience during the installation phase which should not take more than a couple of days. The Parish Council has been asked to review usage of the car park, which is also used by tradesmen, parish visitors and users of the parish hall, but at this stage it is not considered likely that any changes will be necessary for use by members of the Parish- but please continue to use the car park responsibly and with consideration for others.

MARIST WAY

There will NOT be a meeting in June or July. Our next meeting will be on Saturday 2nd August after 9.30 Mass in the upper room of the church hall. Father Regis Rubaya has agreed to be our speaker. All are very welcome.

ST LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND - SLCF has provided help to those in need for 37 years. We are a small group of volunteers and are asking if you would consider joining us. We meet once a month to discuss and approve requests. Following the meeting items are ordered, mainly from one company, who deliver and install, either new or reconditioned goods. For further information please contact either via email stlawrencecf@gmail.com or phone me on 07754624602. Thank you for your continued support. Teresa Haverly

WEBELIEVE – A Festival of Catholic Life - 25–28 July 2025 | St Mary's College, Oscott

Join us this July for WeBelieve, a joyful new festival celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope. Rooted in our rich Catholic tradition, this gathering brings together families, parishes, and individuals to celebrate our faith in Jesus.

Organised by The Guild of Our Lady of Ransom and supported by Archbishop John Wilson, the festival promises inspiring talks, worship, and community. Please visit webelievefestival.org for more details.

DBS CHECK RENEWAL - If you believe your DBS check is due for renewal, please contact Vikki at her email sidcupsg4@safeguardrcaos.org.uk or get in touch with the parish office as soon as possible. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER BRYAN WELLS

Accommodation needed for a young man who be starting Police Training at Marlborough House, Sidcup from the start of September, initially for 8 months. Joe (21) is Fr Bryan's grand-nephew and is looking for a room in the town. Can anyone help? If so, please ring Fr Bryan on 01689 670075 or 07821 616586.