

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 26th July 6.30pm	Seventeenth Sunday Year C Julia Skerritt RIP	
Sunday 27th July 8.30am	Seventeenth Sunday Year C Mary Boryczka RIP	
10.00am	Freda Basley RIP	
11.30am	People of the Parish	
Monday 28th July 9.30am	Feria Living and Deceased children of Gaza	2.30pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 29th July 9.30am	Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus Jennie Healy RIP 10.30 am Funeral: Hellen Choto	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 30th July 9.30am	Feria Wellbeing of James Lin	Coffee Morning
Thursday 31st July 9.30am	Feria Alla Lapidus RIP	
Friday 1st August 9.30am	Saint Alphonsus Liguori Maurice Madden RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 2nd August 9.30am	Feria Intentions of Julia and Ken Pimbley	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	20th July 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£385.23	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£318.10	None	None
Total	£703.33		
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.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognized qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating and evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make an informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information.

AGENCY FOR EVANGELISATION AND CATECHESIS – ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis works to assist parishes across the Archdiocese of Southwark in the areas of evangelisation, faith formation, and catechesis. Its core purpose is to support the spiritual development of lay people, helping them grow in their faith and become more active within the Church. The Agency provides a range of resources, training sessions, courses, and events aimed at deepening understanding and encouraging greater involvement. Among the key programmes available are the Archbishop's Certificate, the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS), and sessions from the Franciscan University Catechetical Institute. To find out more or to apply, please visit the Agency's website: <https://www.aec.rcaos.org.uk>.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Friday 8th August 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 details.

REFRESHMENTS AND REPOSITORY – ALL WELCOME

Join us every Sunday for refreshments in the hall after both the 8:30am and 10:00am Masses. The repository will also be open during this time. All are warmly welcome!

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.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER BRYAN WELLS - Accommodation needed for a young man who will be starting Police Training at Marlborough House, Sidcup from the start of September, 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.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER TO VISIT FIRST FRIDAY PARISH LUNCH

We are pleased to announce that a local police constable will be joining us at one of our upcoming First Friday Parish Lunches, on either **5th September** or **3rd October**.

She will give a short talk on personal safety, with practical advice especially for our older parishioners, covering topics such as avoiding scams, staying safe when out and about, protecting personal belongings, and knowing where to seek help. These lunches are a wonderful opportunity to come together as a parish community in a warm and welcoming setting. We will confirm the exact date and share further details in the August newsletter.