

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 124

Saturday 16th August 6.30pm	Twentieth Sunday Year C Patricia Kley RIP	
Sunday 17th August 8.30am	Twentieth Sunday Year C Ray Fendick RIP	
10.00am	People of the Parish	
11.30am	Mauro Figueroa RIP	
Monday 18th August 9.30am	Feria Margurite East RIP and other deceased members of the East family	2.30pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 19th August 9.30am	Feria Frances Coles Harrington RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 20th August 9.30am	Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Intentions of Eileen Gallogley	Coffee Morning
Thursday 21st August 9.30am	Saint Pius X, Pope, Memorial Michael Ryan RIP	
Friday 22nd August 9.30am	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Patricia Steer RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 23rd August 9.30am	Saint Rose of Lima Intentions of Gareth Bacon	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	10th August 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£451.27	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£273.20	None	None
Total	£724.47		
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 AUGUST

For mutual coexistence.

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

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.

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 evangelization, 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>.

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!

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 will 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.

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.

SAINT JUDE : FOOTPRINTS OF HOPE

At the Shrine of Saint Jude in Faversham, Kent, we have a new path called the "Footprints of Hope" project. As part of the "Footprints of Hope" project, we would like to offer one more opportunity to have a name engraved on a brick at this special shrine of hope. Make your mark and remember your friends and loved ones in this special place of hope and peace—you can add a name for just £30 per brick. There is no limit to how many bricks are ordered. All bricks need to be ordered by 29 August. Donate for your footprint, here: www.stjudeshrine.org.uk/footprints or call **01795539214**

DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 25 August 2025 from 10 am to 4.30pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call Millie on 07957594646. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

Hospital Chaplaincy Volunteers—is this for you?

The Chaplaincy at Queen Elizabeth Hospital is currently looking to recruit more volunteers to visit patients on the wards. If you are interested in knowing more, please email Rev Emmanuel at ekormi@nhs.net or call the Chaplaincy on 020 8836 6831. Gwen Chiosso, from St Stephen's parish in Welling has written an article about her experience which can be found here: <http://www.saintstephens.co.uk/blog/hospital-chaplaincy-volunteering/#more-1395>