

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 127

Saturday 23rd August 6.30pm	Twenty-first Sunday Year C Onofre Franklin Lourenco and Deceased Family	
Sunday 24th August 8.30am	Twenty-first Sunday Year C Mary Boryczka RIP	
10.00am	Joyce Thatcher RIP	
11.30am	People of the Parish	
Monday 25th August 9.30am	Saint Louis Errol Vertanness RIP	
Tuesday 26th August	Feria Michael Halse RIP Michael (4th Anniversary)	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 27th August 9.30am	Saint Monica, Memorial Mary Manners RIP	Coffee Morning
Thursday 28th August 9.30am	Saint Augustine The Welfare of Sarah Bernard and Harry	
Friday 29th August 9.30am	The Passion of Saint John the Baptist Jennie and Adrian Healy RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 30th August 9.30am	Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward The Welfare of Helen	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	17th August 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£426.03	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£343	None	None
Total	£769.03		
Monthly Standing Order	£4187		

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.

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.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER TO VISIT FIRST FRIDAY PARISH LUNCH

We are pleased to announce that **Karen Troulides, SE Faith Liaison Officer with the Metropolitan Police Service**, will be joining us at our **First Friday Parish Lunch on 5th September**.

She will give a short talk on personal safety, offering practical advice especially for our older parishioners. Topics will include avoiding scams, staying safe when out and about, protecting personal belongings, and knowing where to seek help. These lunches continue to be a wonderful opportunity to gather together as a parish community in a warm and welcoming setting. We look forward to welcoming Karen and to hearing her helpful guidance.

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 this 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**. To take advantage of this offer, please enter the discount code **1808** in the discount box when ordering. There is no limit to how many bricks can be ordered. All bricks need to be ordered by **29th August**.

Donate for your footprint here: www.stjudeshrine.org.uk/footprints or call **01795 539214**.

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>

PRAYER GROUP NOTICE

Please note that the Parish Prayer Group will not be meeting during August and the first half of September. Our next gathering will be on **Monday, 22nd September**.