

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 130

Saturday 30th August 6.30pm	Twenty-Second Sunday Year C Paulo Jose Da Veiga and Deceased Family RIP	
Sunday 31st August	Twenty-Second Sunday Year C	
8.30am	Bernadette Collins RIP	
10.00am	Mauro Figueroa RIP	
11.30am	Well-being for Bridget Jordan	
Monday 1st September 9.30am	Feria Martin McGrath and Clarence Medley RIP	
Tuesday 2nd September	Feria Dulip Jayamaha RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 3rd September 9.30am	Saint Gregory the Great Intentions of Maggie Cahill	Coffee Morning
Thursday 4th September 9.30am	Feria Well-being for Theresa Strolla and Family	
Friday 5th September 9.30am	Feria Intentions of Manuel Kadi	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 6th September 9.30am	Feria Intentions of Patrick Simbule	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	24th August 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£416.27	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£331.45	None	The Missionary Society of St Paul
Total	£747.72		
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.

PARISH FILM NIGHT

Our next Parish Film Night will be held on **Friday, 12th September**.

We gather from **7.00pm** for social time and refreshments (provided by us), and the film will begin at **7.30pm**. Please see the poster at the back of the church for further details. A big **thank you to everyone for their continued support** of our film nights — it is always greatly appreciated!

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**.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised 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 an 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.

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL FOR THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL (MSP)

Fr. Pius Duniya MSP, of the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP), will make the mission appeals on 6th/7th September. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP warmly invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a second collection at all Masses. Alternatively, you can use your smartphone to donate via the QR code below. Online donation: You can make donation using the following link: <https://donate.mydona.com/missionary-society-of-st-paul>

