

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTY– SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 143

Saturday 27th September 6.30pm	Twenty-Sixth Sunday Year C Sheila Fendick RIP	
Sunday 28th September 8.30am	Twenty-Sixth Sunday Year C People of the Parish	
10.00am	Intentions of Marian Scott	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Raymond Caheny RIP	
Monday 29th September 9.30am	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael John Mascarenhas RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 30th September	Saint Jerome Tina Barker RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 1st October 9.30am	Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Well-being for Dunford Family	Coffee Morning
Thursday 2nd October 9.30am	The Holy Guardian Angels Sheila Suckling RIP	
Friday 3rd October 9.30am	Feria Marie Tooher RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 4th October 9.30am	Saint Francis of Assisi Deceased Members of the Cahill Family RIP	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	21st September 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£462.08	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£256.17	None	CAFOD
Total	£718.25		
Monthly Standing Order	£4177		

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 SEPTEMBER

For our relationship with all of creation.

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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: Christine Malone, John Stone, Elizabeth Gray, John Mascarenhas, and those who are in poor health: Paul Cookson, 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!

FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH - 12NOON TO 2PM The First Friday Lunch is on Friday 3rd October from 12-2pm in the hall.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY UPDATE

The Children's Liturgy will resume on **Sunday, 28th September**, and continue weekly until **Sunday, 12th October**, when we will pause for the half-term break. It usually runs every Sunday at the **10am Mass** during term time. All children are very welcome to attend, **with or without their parents**. We are always looking for new volunteers to help with the Children's Liturgy. If you are interested, please **contact the Parish Office** or **Edyta on 07920 422465**.

MARIST WAY

The next meeting will be on Saturday 4th October after 9.30 Mass, in the upper room of the church hall. Our speaker will be Fr. Christopher and the subject will be "Six reasons for not forgetting Mary". All are very welcome.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

The photos from this year's **Confirmation** can be viewed in the church hall on **Sunday, 26th October from 11:00 AM until 12.30pm**.

DAY OF RETREAT FOR LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - There are two formation days coming up for readers and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist of the SE area of our Archdiocese. 1. On Saturday 18th October at St Stephen's Church, Welling, 26 Deepdene Road, DA16 3QL. For the Deaneries of Bexley, Bromley, and Greenwich. And 2. On Saturday 25th October, at Bishop Thomas Grant School, Belltrees Grove, Streatham, SW16 2HY for the Deaneries of Camberwell, Lewisham, and Lambeth. Each of the days will begin with tea and coffee at 9:30am, there will be three presentations and the day will end with Mass at 3pm. Please send an email to the parish office at sidcup@rcaos.org.uk to confirm the day you will be attending.

YEAR 6 PARENTS – SECONDARY TRANSFER OPEN EVENTS

Both of our local Catholic secondary schools are celebrating outstanding GCSE results! Parents of Year 6 children are warmly invited to explore what these fantastic schools have to offer:

St Catherine's School (for girls) – Open Evening: **Thursday, 2nd October, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

St Columba's School (for boys) – Open Morning: **Saturday, 4th October, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** Come and see the excellent facilities, meet the dedicated staff, and discover the opportunities that could shape your child's future.

WELCOMERS - We need you!

Please consider being a welcomer. this is a simple service to the Parish community but does make a big difference. The only requirement is to arrive 30 minutes before the mass starts, hand out the newsletter and missals with a smile and a kind word. We only have one welcomer for the 11.30am mass so this is a real priority, at the other masses we have more but additional people would be great. If interested please contact me via the parish office.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Friday 10th October. 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.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL THIS HARVEST - Friday 3rd October 2025

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

