

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTY– NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 152

Saturday 18th October 6.30pm	Twenty-Ninth Sunday Year C Well-being for Elena Ricks	
Sunday 19th October	Twenty-Ninth Sunday Year C	
8.30am	Michael and Mary Parkinson RIP	
10.00am	Mary Boryczka RIP	
11.30am	Josephine McDonnell RIP	
Monday 20th October 9.30am 11.00am	Feria Joseph Peter and Jane Patricia O'Connor RIP Funeral Susan Anita Murphy RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 21st October	Feria Intentions of Mary Kelly	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 22nd October 9.30am	Feria Eileen and Stuart Walmsley RIP	Coffee Morning
Thursday 23rd October 9.30am	Feria Marjory MacDonald RIP	
Friday 24th October 9.30am	Feria Deceased Friends and Relatives of the Buchanan Family	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 25th October 9.30am	Feria Intentions of Jane and Tony Regan for their 60th Wedding Anniversary	8.45am Morning Prayer
Sunday 26th October	Thirtieth Sunday Year C	
8.30am	Deceased Members of Parkinson Family	
10.00am	Pepe German RIP	
11.30am	Joseph Lafferty RIP	

Collection	12th October 2025	Second Collection	
Cash	£393.33	This week	Next week
Gift Aid	£378.40	World Mission Sunday	
Total	£771.73		
Monthly Standing Order	£4197		

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 OCTOBER **For collaboration between different religious traditions.**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

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: Antonina Maria Kalinka, Carmel Frances Sinnott, Christine Malone, John Stone, Elizabeth Gray, and those who are in poor health: Colin Bradbury, Paul Cookson.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray; Almighty and everlasting God, by the cooperation of the Holy Spirit you prepared the body and soul of Mary, glorious Virgin and Mother, to become the worthy habitation of your Son; grant that by her gracious intercession, in whose commemoration we rejoice, we may be delivered from present evils and from everlasting death. Through Christ our Lord.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

PROGRAMMES - We are excited to announce the start of our parish faith programmes:

First Holy Communion (Year 3+)

Confirmation (Year 9+) Enrolment/application forms for both programmes are available at the back of the church or from the Parish Office. Deadline: 1st November 2025.

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.**

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR!

Our annual Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 29th November from 10.30am at the parish. We warmly invite you to join us for a day of festive fun, community spirit, and holiday cheer! We are looking for volunteers to help set up and run the stalls, and we would be grateful for donations of drinks, bottles of drinks, chocolates, sweets, fancy goods, and any unwanted gifts that could be sold at the fair. Donations can be brought to the parish office.

St Peter Chanel Catholic Primary - Open Mornings

Be part of an inclusive, thriving school community, where all are welcome; we have high expectations, outstanding personal development and a memorable, well-developed and exciting curriculum. Our Open Mornings continue on Wednesday 12th November and Friday 28th November from 9:30am – 11am. Please contact the school via 0208 302 6029 or via admin@st-peterchanel.bexley.sch.uk if you are unable to visit at these times and would like to book in a visit to see why St Peter Chanel would be the right school for your child.

ST LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the St Lawrence Charitable Fund will be held on **Monday, 27th October 2025 at 8.00pm** in the Upper Room at SLCC. This notice replaces individual member mailings. If you would like to receive a copy of the Agenda in advance, please contact the Secretary: **Sheila Treacy** – treacysheila239@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - The Children's Liturgy runs in term time every Sunday at 10am Mass (from 9th November to 14th December). All children are very welcome to attend with or without their parents. We are always looking for volunteers to help run the Children's Liturgy. If you're interested please contact the Parish Office or Edyta on 07920 422465.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Friday 14th November. 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.

SIDCUP FOODBANK AT NEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

A big thank you to parishioners for the donations over the past few months. Just a reminder that there are three green foodbank bins at the back of the church. If you are able to provide any non-perishable essentials for a weekly shop such as pasta, soup, beans, tea, coffee, sauces, tinned fish, squash, sugar, canned vegetables etc., please do put them in the bins. **Please do not put out-of-date, frozen, or fresh produce in the food bins.** If you wanted any further info then just contact me. Thanks Nick Wells 07986 348013.

ST VINCENT'S CHARITY SHOP – SIDCUP HIGH STREET

- We are looking for **good-quality winter clothing** and **children's and men's shoes**. Any donations would be very welcome to help local families stay warm this winter.

CAR PARK CLOSURE NOTICE - The Parish Car Park, including the spaces reserved for Blue Badge holders at the front of the Church, will be closed from Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October, and possibly until Monday 3 November, to allow for the replacement of the existing cobblestones with paving stones. The closure is unavoidable but will be kept as short as possible. There is usually ample parking available in the public car park a short walk away, opposite the Church on Main Road.

NEWSLETTER - Dear Parishioners if you are not taking the newsletter home would you kindly place it back into the mass book and return to the shelves at the back of the church. Thank you. Patricia Slonecki

ST PETER CHANEL PRE SCHOOL - The new Preschool at St Peter Chanel will officially open on Monday 3rd November. The school has always provided an outstanding learning experience for our children from the age of 2 and now they have the most beautiful environment internally and externally to enjoy. We are delighted with the high quality resources that will enable our staff to ensure that the children have the best possible start to their learning journey. Our primary school continues to build on its strengths. Please spread the word and encourage families to visit. We have waited a long time for this and are delighted the project is now complete. Patricia Slonecki Chair of Governors