

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 127

Saturday 24th January 6.30pm	Third Sunday - Year A Sandra Harris RIP	
Sunday 25th January	Third Sunday - Year A	
8.30am	Intentions of Donna Neil	
10.00am	Harona Casey RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Anniversary - Terry Hegarty RIP	
Monday 26th January 9.30am	Saints Timothy and Titus Intentions of Francis, Theo and Mary Pinto	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 27th January 9.30am 10.30am	Saint Angela Merici Ann Cummins RIP Funeral Angel Azuka Ilo	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 28th January 9.30am	Saint Thomas Aquinas Stella Pereira – Jennings RIP	
Thursday 29th January 9.30am	Feria Gentilina (Lydia) Ambiguo RIP	
Friday 30th January 9.30am 10.30am	Feria Peggy Upward RIP Funeral Gentilina Dolfina Ambiguo	
Saturday 31st January 9.30am	Saint John Bosco Well-being for Lucia Arrospide Pla	8.45am Morning Prayer
6.30pm	Fourth Sunday - Year A Intentions of Friends and Family of Mary Wells	
Sunday 1st February	Fourth Sunday - Year A	
8.30am	Well-Being for Chris Parkinson	Children's Liturgy
10.00am	Intentions of Marie Farrell	
11.30am	People of the Parish	

Collection	18th January 2026	Second Collection	
Not Gift aided	£385	This week	Next week
Gift Aided	£327	St George's Cathedral	Racial Justice Sunday
Total	£712		
Monthly Standing Order	£4157		

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

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:

Barba Smokey Hawkins, Angel Ilo, Lydia Ambigua, Jose Antonio, Sandra Harris and Peter C.O. Onoh.

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.

PARISH HISTORY

The Parish Council is considering the possibility of producing a history of St Lawrence of Canterbury Church and would be pleased to hear from any parishioner who might be interested in playing a role in the project. Please send details to the Chairman of the Parish Council (frankjsavage@icloud.com) or to Denise Baldwin (alananddenisebaldwin@sky.com) if you would like more details.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY – SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY

2026

Racial Justice Sunday offers the Church an important opportunity to reflect, pray, and recommit ourselves to building a society rooted in dignity, respect, and equality for all. On this day, we celebrate the richness of our diversity as we walk together as one family in Christ. This year, Racial Justice Sunday will be marked with a special Mass at **10.00am on Sunday 1st February 2026 at St George's Cathedral, Southwark**. **Archbishop John Wilson** will be the Principal Celebrant. Parishioners and families are warmly invited to attend, and attendees are encouraged to wear their native or traditional dress. After Mass, everyone is invited to gather in the **Amigo Hall** for refreshments. Please see the poster on the notice board for further details. All are most welcome to attend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - The Children's Liturgy runs in term time every Sunday at 10am Mass (from 11th January to 7th February). All children are very welcome to attend with or without their parents.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP

The Parish Prayer Group will recommence on 12th January at 2.30 pm in the Upper Hall. All are welcome.

FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH - 12NOON TO 2PM The First Friday Lunch is on Friday 6th February from 12-2pm in the hall.

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Friday 13th February. 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.

CALLED TO BEAR FRUIT CONSULTATION RESPONSE PUBLISHED

Thank you to the thousands of people who took part in the Called to Bear Fruit consultation. We are grateful to you all for sharing so openly your hopes for the life of the Church in our Archdiocese. The consultation response, which includes 15 actions points for renewal, is available at rcaos.org.uk/calledtobearfruit and hardcopies will be sent to every parish. The consultation revealed a burning desire within our parishes to be missionary and evangelising disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, who work together to help people encounter His love. So, as we move forward on the next steps together, let's build up the Body of Christ in Southwark with faith and confidence, becoming ever more a community of missionary disciples filled with joy and hope for the future. As an Archdiocese, we will continue to discern the process of renewal, and further updates will be provided in due course.

100 CLUB WINNERS

Prize	November	December	January
£75	P. Simbule	P. Slonecki	S. Treacy
£50	J. DaCosta	M. Healy	F. Lovett
£25	P. Maxted	R. Spencer	D. Butlers
£10	E. Armfield	A. Maxted	R. Waddell

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SECOND COLLECTION 25TH JANUARY

St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship. Thank you!

Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right) Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: **020 7960 2504**

Cash / Cheque – please use the St George's Cathedral envelopes at the back of church.

