

## St. Raphael's Church

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### 30th April 2017 - 3rd Sunday of Easter (A) psalter Ill

**Manfred Gramstadt RIP** 9.30am Family Mass

11.30am Mass with Hymns **Pro Populo** 5.00pm Quiet Mass **Jackie Woolliscroft** 

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Joseph the Worker Mon. 1st May 10.00am Brenda Killeen RIP Tue. 2nd May St. Athanasius 10.00am Paul Ferro RIP SS. Philip & James Wed. 3rd May Jacob Ezechial RIP 12.00 noon Thu. 4th May The English Matyrs

10.00am Andrelina de Silva Kayall RIP No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament today Fri. 5th May Feria in Eastertide

10.00am In reparation for abortion

Sat. 6th May Our Lady 10.00am Denis Curtin

7th May 2017 - 4th Sunday of Easter (A) psalter IV

9.30am Family Mass **Henry Gramstadt RIP** 

11.30am Mass with Hymns **Pro Populo** 5.00pm Quiet Mass **Mina Cawley** 

3.00pm Annual Procession in Honour of Our Blessed Lady around the grounds of the Church followed by Benediction

If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to burn night and day before the Blessed Sacrament, the lamp on Our Lady's Altar or at St. Anthony's Shrine for yourself, a loved one or for a special intention please contact either the Parish Office or a sacristan. The Rosary is

The recommended donation is £5.

The Sanctuary Lamps this week are burning for - John, Frank and Gregory Cullen

The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for

- Fr. Kevin's Intentions

The Lamp at St. Anthony's Shrine is burning for

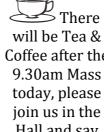
- The sick of the Parish

## Confessions Sundays

9.00am – 9.20am & 4.30pm - 4.50pm **Saturdays** 

10.30am – 11.00am

We remember in prayer, the sick and housebound of the Parish. We also pray for the medical profession and all carers.



Coffee after the Hall and sav hello

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Monday -

Saturday

before Mass

### APPOINTMENTS WITH FR. KEVIN

If you need to speak with Fr. Kevin regarding a pastoral or sacramental matter please email Fr. Kevin to make a convenient appointment.

parishpriest.straphael@gmail.com

#### **HOSPITAL**

If you, or a member of your family, are admitted to Kingston Hospital you need to inform ward staff that you are Roman Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain Fr. Julius, his telephone number is -**0208 942 2178**. If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Kevin.

### **CHURCH CLEANING**

Every Wednesday at 9.00am - please come and help keep our church looking beautiful for Our Lord.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

Saturday at 10.30am in Alexander House. (The course is now full)

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sundays during the 9.30am Mass

### KINGSTON UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC SOCIETY.

Meets in the Parish Library after the 5.00 pm Mass – meetings restart for the new term next Sunday, 30th April. Deacon Peter is leading a series of discussions on key aspects of our faith. For more information, please contact Deacon Peter.

## THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

£625.41 loose + £319.91 Gift Aid = £945.32

There will be a 2nd Collection today for the upkeep of St. George's Cathedral - the Mother Church of the Archdiocese.

### **GIFT AID**

There are still a number of unclaimed Gift Aid Envelopes at the back of the Church - If you have not picked up your new set, please do so today.



St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 - 2UP. T. 020 8546 7178 E. office@stjosephs.rbksch.org W. www.stjosephs.kingston.sch.uk

Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club & After School Club. Head teacher - Mrs Sarah Keefe

# OUR ANNUAL PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR BLESSED LADY.

Next Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 3.00pm. The whole of the month of May is dedicated to Our Blessed Lady. Please join us next Sunday in our public act of devotion to her.

**18**<sup>th</sup> **June** following on from the 11.30am Mass Our Parish Corpus Christie procession.

### MARY'S MEALS BACKPACK APPEAL

Once again the parish is going to support this worthwhile charity. The backpacks cost £3.50 each, the same as last year, to buy a backpack & the contents costs approx. £20 each. Also if anyone has clothes (in good condition) that their children/grandchildren have grown out of & would like to donate that would be great. We need shorts & tee-shirts for boys aged 4 to 12 years old & dresses / skirts & blouses for girls aged 4 to 12 years old. The 'packing day' will be Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June in Alexander House. If you would like to help with this worthwhile appeal please contact Kate Freeman on 0775 703 1310

#### **LONDON EVENINGS OF FAITH**

A series of talks on 'Developing the thought of St. John Paul II' which will take place at 7:00pm on alternate Tuesdays from 9<sup>th</sup> May (subsequent talks are on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 20<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July). Talks are held in the Challoner Room, Basement, 24 Golden Square, London W1F 9JR. For more information go to www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith.

### **MARRIAGE MASS**

Are you celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later wedding anniversary this year? If so, Archbishop Peter invites you to join him to renew your vows and celebrate a Mass for married couples at 3.00pm on Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup> at St. George's Cathedral. Close family are welcome too. Contact Michael in the Parish Office to arrange to receive a personal written invitation from Archbishop Peter. The cut-off date is today - April 30<sup>th</sup> so please email the Parish today.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please note - we have a long backlog of Mass intentions and unfortunately no free slots until the end of June. If you have specific dates for Masses during the course of the year, please book them now with the Parish Office so that we can try to accommodate you. When booking a Mass please use the special envelopes available at the back of the church. These can be handed into the Sacristy, Parish Office or placed in the collection baskets. Also, please note the diocese recommends a donation of £10 for a Mass offering.

# A CONCERT WITH FRIAR ALESSANDRO – 'VOICE FROM ASSISI'

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.45pm in St. Georges Cathedral. Admission by free ticket only, which are available from voicefromassisi.eventbrite.co.uk See the poster in the Church Porch for more information.

### THE HOLY SPIRIT

Five Post Easter talks on The Holy Spirit at the Amigo Hall, (Next to St. Georges Cathedral) at 7.30pm on the 27<sup>th</sup> April, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> May. All welcome. Free entry, donations appreciated. Refreshments provided. Register at 0208 6727684 office@cctootingbec.org . See the poster in the porch for details.

Please note, as Monday is a Bank Holiday the Parish Office will be closed.

### SURVIVE-MIVA. OUR LENTEN PROJECT FOR 2017

Please note **today** is your last chance to hand in any Lenten Project collection boxes.

So far we have raised £4.438.05.

The Easter Raffle raised £214.00. There are some unclaimed prizes - If you have any of the following tickets please collect your prize from the Hall - Salmon 297, Blue 987 (Gerry O'Sullivan), Blue 981 (Gerry O'Sullivan), Blue 873 (Sarah Calem)

Congratulations to Ana & Sarah Calen who won the jumbo Easter Egg! Please contact the Parish Office to collect your egg. The competition raised £32.00, thank you to the organiser and all who took part.

- 2nd Collection on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent	£	671.52
- Cake Sale	£	116.40
- St. Patrick's Day Celebration	£	432.50
- Quiz Night	£	328.00
- Mother's Day Flowers	£	100.00
- Film Night	£	280.00
- Sponsored Walk (to date)	£1	,540.00
- Collection Box's & Donations (to date)	£	439.88
- Raffle	£	214.00
- Guess the Weight of The Easter Egg	£	32.00
- Gift Aid on various parts of the above	£	283.75

Thank you for your generosity.

# IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING PARKING AT THE T.A. CENTRE

The T.A. Centre have advised us that a number of parishioners are parking without permission in their car park on Sundays. Please note that the Church does not have permission to use their car park on Sundays. The T.A. Centre is a Ministry of Defence property and particularly at the present time, security is of the upmost importance. Therefore, unauthorised cars may be subject to removal and the barrier may be locked at anytime.

The T.A. Centre is very generous in granting permission for use of their car park on certain occasions – in these instances **notice is always given in the Newsletter** and we are very grateful for their help. However It is important we do not abuse their generosity. Thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter.

## **CELEBRATE WEEKEND**

At St. Mary's University 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> June - this year's theme is taken from St. Matthew's Gospel "Seek first His Kingdom".

Four excellent talks for adults of all ages - children have their own fun and faith building sessions. Visit <a href="www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/Twickenham">www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/Twickenham</a> email: <a href="twickenham@celebrateconference.org">twickenham@celebrateconference.org</a> or call Mike 07778 124270 for more information.

London SW Catholic Young Adults is a social group for young Catholics in the diocese that meets every month. Our next social evening is on Saturday, 6th May from 7.30pm at The Cock & Bull, Sutton SM1 1HF. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242