



St. Raphael's Church

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17th July 2016 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter week IV
6.00pm (Saturday Night) - Charlie & Elizabeth Lee
9.30am Said Mass - Rita McCann
11.30am Fr. David's 1st Mass - Pro Populo
NO 5.00PM MASS TODAY

Mon. 18th July Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am Carmen Navarro
Tue. 19th July Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am Denis Curtin RIP
11.30am Requiem Mass - Michael McDonagh RIP
Wed. 20th July St. Apollinaris
12.00noon Priest's Intention
Thu. 21st July St. Lawrence of Brindisi
10.00am Rita McCann
No exposition of the Blessed Sacrament today
Fri. 22nd July St. Mary Magdalene
10.00am Kathleen Rooney RIP
A day of abstinence when we are asked to abstain from eating meat
Sat. 23rd July St. Bridget
10.00am Marie Ferguson RIP

24th July 2016 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter week I
9.30am Family Mass - Mrs. A.C. Mills
11.30am Sung Mass - Mabel Duggan RIP
5.00pm Quite Mass - Pro Populo

Please note there is no Sunday or Thursday Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament during July & August.
We will resume in September

*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 recommended donation is £5.*



The Sanctuary Lamps this week are burning
- For Alicya's Intentions
The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning
- For P Devaney
The Lamp at St. Anthony's Shrine is burning
- In Thanksgiving - The Gardiner Family



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

APPOINTMENTS WITH FR. KEVIN

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

Thank you for last Sunday's Collection
£608.97 loose + £196.90 Gift Aid = £805.87
Plus £530.71 for 'The Apostleship of the Sea'
The direct debits for June totalled £2,159.50

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 number is **8 942 2178**.
If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Kevin.

KINGSTON UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC STUDENT SOCIETY

Deacon Peter is available to students and staff of the University for one-to-one consultation by appointment, either at the University or at St. Raphael's Church. He is also available for drop-in consultation at the University Faith Centre, Penrhyn Road Campus, Faith Adviser's Office, every Wednesday, 5.30pm - 7.00pm Contact details on newsletter header.

Confessions Sundays

9.00am - 9.20am
4.30pm - 4.50pm
Saturdays
10.30am - 11.00am

Please note no confessions this Saturday

CHILDREN'S LITURGY/ SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE

Tea & Coffee & Children's Liturgy have finished for the summer.
We will resume in September.

CHURCH CLEANING

Every Wednesday at 9.00am - please come and help keep our church looking beautiful

Some General House Keeping

- Please help keep our Church tidy - return All Hymn Books and Mass sheets to the back of the Church when you leave Mass.
- Please always accompany all children to the toilets in the hall.
- Please switch off all mobile phones.
- Please do not bring food / refreshments into the Church

Thank you for your co-operation

St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 - 2UP.

T. 020 8546 7178 E. office@stjosephs.rbksch.org W. stjosephsprimary.net/
Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club & After School Club.

The Rosary is recited

Monday - Saturday before Mass.



FR. DAVID HOWELL'S ORDINATION & 1ST HOLY MASS.

Yesterday Deacon David Howell was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood by Archbishop Peter at St. George's Cathedral. This morning at 11.30am Fr. David will celebrate his 1st Holy Mass here at St. Raphael's.

We wish Fr. David and his family every blessing and good wish on this wonderful Occasion. We welcome Fr. David's family and friends including the many visiting priests who have come to support him this morning. We welcome in particular The Mayor & Mayoress of Kingston, Councillor Geoff Austin and Mrs Sheila Austin.

To mark this special event the Parish has commissioned a set of white Marian Mass Vestments, which Fr. Kevin will present to Fr. David after Mass.

After Mass please join us in the Garden where the celebration will continue with a Garden Party.

AD MULTOS ANNOS! - TO MANY YEARS!



THANK YOU FROM MARY'S MEALS

Dear Friends

Thank you so much for your generous donation of 69 backpacks plus a box of extras and supporting Mary's Meals. For many of the children, the backpack they will receive from supporters like yourself is the only gift they have ever been given. Children attending Yorodano Primary School in Malawi tell us how important the Backpack Project is to them: "I am happy to have a book to help me learn." – Innocent Charouza, age 8. "This is my first school bag, I am happy" – Tiwonde Taendo, age 6

Many children receiving Mary's Meals don't have basic learning tools such as pencils and notebooks or even clothes to wear to school, so your support is helping these children to realise their full potential and go to school equipped with the necessary educational items.

With your help our school feeding programmes have continued to grow. We are currently feeding over 1,000,000 children all over the world for just £12.20 a year. Our vision is that every child in the world receives a meal a day in their place of education. Mary's Meals is a simple idea that works – by providing a daily meal in a place of education, chronically poor children are attracted to the classroom where they can gain a basic education that provides an escape route from poverty. Supporting Mary's Meals through the Backpack Project is a practical way to enable children to get the most out of their education.

Thank you again for your contribution towards our work.

ADVANCED WARMING - PRUDENTIAL RIDE LONDON

Part of this year's Prudential Ride London event will take place along the Portsmouth Road on Sunday 31st July. Once again this will mean that the Portsmouth Road and other surrounding roads will be closed to all traffic on that day. Therefore there will be no vehicular access to the Church. The 5.00pm Mass will be cancelled and replaced with a Mass at 6.00pm on Saturday 30th.

For more detailed information on road closures please go to www.PrudentialRideLondon.co.uk

Please plan ahead now how you will get to Mass on that day.

If you would like to receive this Newsletter electronically, please email the Parish Office at staphaelparishoffice@googlemail.com and we will include you on to our mailing list.



Congratulations to Eva and Ivy who were Baptised recently here at St. Raphael's. May God continue the good work he has started.

THE 2016 TEN BRIDGES OF LONDON SPONSORED WALK FOR LIFE

Walk for LIFE takes place on the 25th September. The walk starts at 2.00pm at Tower Bridge. If you would like to walk or act as a steward at a bridge, please contact: Therese Walker of Kingston LIFE at dwalker@visuals.plus.com Or Telephone 8390-1080.

ST. MARY MAGDALENE

On Friday we celebrate the feast of St. Mary Magdalene. Recognizing her role as the first to witness Christ's resurrection and as a "true and authentic evangelizer," Pope Francis has raised the memorial of St. Mary Magdalene to that of a feast of the church. In doing so the Pope called for all Christians to reflect more deeply on the dignity of women and to highlight the relevance of her who showed great love for Christ and was much loved by Christ."

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, however we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels.

There is debate over whether Mary Magdalene is the same unnamed woman, a sinner, who weeps and washes Jesus's feet with her hair in the Gospel of St. John. Scholars are skeptical that this is the same person.

Despite the scholarly dispute over her background - what she did in her subsequent life after meeting Jesus, is much more significant. She was certainly a sinner whom Jesus saved, giving us an example of how no person is beyond the saving grace of God. Mary stood at the foot of the cross with Our Blessed Lady and St. John when all his other followers fled and she was the first witness to His resurrection three days later.

Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Souls of Wendy Wilson & Michael McDonagh who died recently.

Michael's Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday at 11.30am
May They Rest in Peace.