



# St. Raphael's Church

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## 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday (A) psalter IV

9.30am Family Mass Josephine Alwanger  
11.30am Mass with Hymns Pro Populo  
5.00pm Quiet Mass Rev. Christopher Noke

### Stations of the Cross 4.00pm

Mon. 27<sup>th</sup> March Lenten Feria  
10.00am Terry Brogan Welfare  
7.00pm Reception of Fr. Michael Clifton's Body followed by Mass  
Tue. 28<sup>th</sup> March Lenten Feria  
11.00am Requiem Mass - Fr. Michael Clifton RIP  
Wed. 29<sup>th</sup> March Lenten Feria  
12.00 noon Kathleen Cribbs RIP  
Thu. 30<sup>th</sup> March Lenten Feria  
10.00am Wendy Wilson RIP  
12.00noon Requiem Mass - Sheila Furlong RIP  
Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> March Lenten Feria  
9.00am Stations of the Cross  
10.00am Sylvia Dainty RIP  
(A day of abstinence when we are asked to abstain from eating meat)  
Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> April Lenten Feria  
10.00am Priest's Intention



STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
Sunday at 4.00pm  
Friday at 9.00am  
Please join Us

## 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (A) psalter I

9.30am Family Mass Amelia Doherty  
11.30am Mass with Hymns Pro Populo  
5.00pm Quiet Mass Paul Ferro RIP

### Stations of the Cross 4.00pm



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  
- Jane for healing  
- Richard, Pat & John RIP  
The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for  
- Jozef Baumgart RIP  
The Lamp at St. Anthony's Shrine is burning for  
- The Sabbat Family

### 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.



The Rosary is recited  
Monday - Saturday  
before Mass

THANK YOU FOR  
LAST SUNDAY'S  
COLLECTION  
£534.50 Loose &  
£302.00 Gift Aid  
= £836.50

### SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE

- After the 9.30am & 11.30am Mass today.

## 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](mailto: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

## RCIA

Meets on Fridays at 7.30pm in the Parish Library.

## KINGSTON UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC SOCIETY.

Meets in the in the Parish Library after the 5.00 pm Mass, Deacon Peter is leading a series of discussions on key aspects of our faith. All college and 6th Form students are most welcome to join us. For more information, please contact Deacon Peter.

## FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FR. MICHAEL CLIFTON

Fr. Michael requested his Requiem Mass be celebrated here at St. Raphael's

### Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March

7.00pm Reception Fr. Michael's body into the Church followed by a Vigil Mass (As per Fr. Michael's wishes this will be celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite)

### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March

11.00am Requiem Mass  
Celebrated by Archbishop Peter Smith  
Followed by a private burial in his family plot in Herne Bay, Kent.

May His Soul Rest in Peace



## St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

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Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club & After School Club.

## PARISH LENTEN PROJECT FOR 2017 - IN AID OF SURVIVE-MIVA

Survive-Miva is a Catholic lay Association, based in Liverpool, which provides grants to fund essential transport for health outreach work in isolated rural areas and for the Church's pastoral care in inaccessible places across Africa, Asia and Latin America. To find out more visit [www.survive-miva.org](http://www.survive-miva.org).

### SOME EVENTS IN SUPPORT OF THIS YEAR'S PROJECT

**Grand Lenten Raffle- Tickets on sale Today** - In Alexander House after the 9.30am & 11.30am Masses, Michael in the Sacristy at the 5.00pm Mass and from the Parish Office during the week. £1 for 5 tickets.

**Film Night - Tickets on sale today** - Next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April "The Scarlet and the Black" in Alexander House. It has all the hallmarks of a best-selling fictional thriller - espionage, conspiracy, a struggle against evil powers, undercover work by dark of night... but it's all true. The astonishing and heroic true story of Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty, the man dubbed "The Scarlet Pimpernel of the Vatican" during World War II. After the surrender of Italy in 1943, Rome came under the command of Nazi Colonel Herbert Kappler of the dreaded SS, who began the deportation of Italian Jews to Auschwitz. Msgr. O'Flaherty sprang into action, organizing a sophisticated team that included men and women of many nationalities, religions and political views. There was one goal-- to save Jews and POWs from the Nazi machine. Tickets cost £8.00 and include a light supper of Lasagne and salad with tea & coffee. Please bring your own drinks and snacks. Tickets on sale in Alexander House after the 9.30am & 11.30am Masses today, Michael in the Sacristy at the 5.00pm Mass and the Parish Office during the week. N.B. Parental guidance for children under 12 years old.

**Sponsored Walk - See below to sponsor the team**

**Guess the weight of the giant Easter Egg** - Draw after the Easter Vigil. £1.00 a go - See the egg and list in Alexander House - good luck!

**£412.50 was raised for the Lenten Project at the recent Irish Coffee morning. Sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who donated and made such a friendly & wonderful event - Margaret Dixon.**

**Thank you to Deacon Peter and all those who supported last Sunday's quiz night £328.00 was raised and his brings our total so far to £1,526.42**

**HAYDN'S 'SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST'** - 7.00pm  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April in St. Joseph's Church, New Malden. Tickets: £10.00 (Under 18: £5). This concert is a perfect opportunity for Holy a Week Meditation. See the poster in the porch for details.

**GIFT AID** - If you are a member of the Gift Aid Scheme and use weekly envelopes - Please collect your new packet of envelopes from the back of the Church.

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION** - Today for Easter flowers.

**TODAY IS LAETARE SUNDAY AND ALSO MOTHERING SUNDAY**  
- a day when we give thanks to God for the gift of our mothers and pray for them.

Laetare Sunday is so called because of the opening phrase of the introit today 'Laetare Jerusalem' (Rejoice Jerusalem) It is a day of celebration, on which the austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. The passage from Isaiah continues, "rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow." On Laetare Sunday, the purple vestments are set aside and rose coloured ones are used instead.

**EASTER OFFERINGS** - The collection taken at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday is your personal offering to Fr. Kevin our Parish Priest. This collection forms part of his income to support his personal needs and expenses during the year ahead. Easter Offering envelopes are available for your use at the back of the Church. (If you are a member of the Gift Aid Scheme, please use the special envelope in your packet.) Thank you for your kind and generous support.

### HOW DO YOU COME TO MASS ON SUNDAY?

With the increase of traffic congestion along the Portsmouth Road since the building of the cycle lane, the widening of the footpath and the possibility of new parking restrictions in front of the Church - it is becoming more difficult to find parking for those driving to Mass on Sundays. Perhaps those who drive could consider if there were any alternative ways to come to Mass - obviously for most there are not - but for some there could be. For instance - could you walk? Could you use public transport? Could you cycle - especially as so much money has been spent on the cycle lane! Could you, as at least one member of our congregation does, use a scooter? Could you consider car sharing with others you know who come to the same Mass? As we said, for some there is no option but to drive. However, please at least consider possible alternatives.

**It is vitally important that every one who drives to Mass takes a couple of moments to tick one of the questionnaires outside Mass today.**

**SPONSORED WALK IN AID OF OUR LENTEN PROJECT.** On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April we shall be having a sponsored walk to Hampton Court and back (6 Miles in total) in aid of Our Lenten Project. If you would like to take part in the walk please contact either Nuala on 0208 390 2048 or Angela on 0208 547 9978 [angela@casacombe.com](mailto:angela@casacombe.com) If you would like to sponsor the group please complete the tear off slip below and hand it into either the Parish Office or Sacristy with your money. Thank you.

I would like to sponsor the team walking to Hampton Court  
Either £ (Insert amount) per mile or £ (Insert amount) total amount

Name  
Address

If you are a member  
of the Parish Gift Aid  
scheme and would like to  
Gift Aid your donation  
please tick box