



St. Raphael's Church

Catholic Parish Church & Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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2nd March 2014 The 8th Sunday of the Year (A) Psalter Week IV

9.30am Family Mass Fr. Vincent
11.30am Sung Mass Denis & Rita Sumner RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish
4.00pm Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon. 3rd March Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am The deceased members of the Simango Asafu Adjaye Family
Tue. 4th March Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am Maria Gilbney RIP
Wed. 5th March **Ash Wednesday** (A day of fasting & abstinence)
09.15am Private Intention (St. Joseph's School)
12.00 noon Minerva, Horatius, Ita & Mimi
7.30pm Theresa Campbell RIP
Thu. 6th March Lenten Feria
10.00am Roy Christie RIP
(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.20am to 12 noon)
Fri. 7th March Lenten Feria
Mass preceded by Stations of the Cross at 9.00am
10.00am William & Ethel Larkin RIP
(A day of abstinence when Catholics must abstain from eating meat)
Sat. 8th March Lenten Feria
10.00am Mary Sebastian RIP

9th March 2014 The 1st Sunday of Lent (A) Psalter Week I

9.30am Family Mass Diane Beakes
11.30am Sung Mass Ena O'Sullivan RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish
4.00pm Stations of the Cross

Parish Diary

TUESDAY

Parish Priest's Surgery
5.30pm - 7.00pm
The Parish Office

Pilates

7.00pm - 8.30pm
Alexander House

WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday -
A day of fasting and
abstinence

See times of extra Masses
Church Cleaning
Before Mass

Parent & Children's Group
9.45am - 11.30am
Alexander House

Tea & Coffee after Mass
Alexander House

THURSDAY

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament
from after Mass until
Benediction 12 noon
Praying for Vocations

FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross
9.00am

SATURDAY

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament and Confessions.
10.30am - 11.00am

1st Holy Communion Classes
10.30am - 12 noon
Alexander House

SUNDAY

Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass

Tea & Coffee Alexander
House after the morning
Masses

Stations of the Cross
4.00pm



Tea and Coffee is served in Alexander House after the morning Masses on Sunday and the lunchtime Mass on Wednesday. Please join us and say hello!

If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to burn Night and day before the Blessed Sacrament either for yourself, a loved one or for a special intention please contact either the Parish Office or the sacristan. The Recommended donation is £5. The Lamps this Week are burning for

Terezinha Machado
De Oliveira RIP

Confessions Sundays -

9.00am - 9.20am,
11.00am - 11.20am,
4.30pm - 4.50pm

Saturdays -
10.30am - 11.00am.

**And at other times by
reasonable request**



The Rosary is recited

Monday - Saturday
before Mass



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

Thank you for last
Sunday's Collection
£725.70 loose
+ £310.22 Gift Aid
= £1035.92

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. Eze. If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Kevin.

St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher - Mrs Frances Robertson

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 from 8.00am. After School Club until 6.00pm

LENT 2014

This coming Wednesday, 5th March is Ash Wednesday.

MASSES WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

9.15am – St. Joseph's School.

12.00 noon and 7.30pm at the Church.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. All Catholics between the ages of 18-60 must fast and all those over the age of 14 must abstain from eating meat.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday at 9.00am and Sunday at 4.00pm.

TUESDAY EVENING MASS

Ideal for workers, commencing 11th March at 7.30pm

HUNGER LUNCH

A simple lunch of soup and bread every Wednesday after the 12.00 noon Mass in Alexander House, commencing on the 12th March. A suggested donation of £3.00 would be gratefully received towards our Lenten Project.

PASTORAL LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP PETER

This weekend we have a pastoral letter from His Grace The Archbishop which will be read at all Masses. Hard copies of the letter are available from Fr. Kevin or the Parish Office and it can also be read on line at <http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/pastoral.html>

TOILETS IN ALEXANDER HOUSE

We have been experiencing problems with the toilets in Alexander House over the last few weeks. This week we had to engage 'Dynarod' to clear a 'Severe blockage' to the main drains, this has cost the parish £216.00. May I request due care and attention when using the toilet facilities. Once again I also request that all children are accompanied to the toilets.

REPOSITORY

We shall shortly be able to open our new repository shop in Alexander House. I am seeking volunteers to open the shop and sell items on a Sunday Morning from 10.30am -11.30am and 12.30pm – 1.15pm. If you are interested please speak to Fr. Kevin. Also, if there are items you would like to see in the repository, or would like to order an item, please speak to Michael in the Parish Office.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY AND EASTER CARDS

We have a wonderful selection of cards for St. Patrick's Day and Easter on sale outside the Library in Alexander House.

OUR PARISH LIBRARY

We are pleased to announce that the Parish Library is now ready for use. We are planning to open the Library on Wednesday mornings from 11.30am – 11.55am and 12.30pm - 1.00pm and on Sundays from 10.30am – 11.30am and 12.30pm – 1.15pm. We have had some interest from people volunteering to open the Library but should like some more, if you are interested, in finding out more information, please speak to Fr. Kevin.

PILATES

Our Pilates group resumes on Tuesday night in Alexander House from 7.00pm -8.30pm

OUR 2014 LENTEN PROJECTS

This year we are planning to help 2 very worthy causes.

Mary's Meals.

We are going to raise money for Mary's Meals. Please see the attached flyer, which gives some details of their work. Please also take home one of the Lenten Collection Boxes and collect your loose change in them.

Kingston Foodbank.

We are also going to collect food for the Kingston Foodbank. Please see attached a shopping list of items required by them. If you are able to donate any of the items from your weekly shop during Lent, they will be gratefully received on Sunday 5th April in Alexander House in designated collecting boxes. These will be given to the foodbank on behalf of the parish.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – RAISING FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT

Bingo and Lasagne Night - Sunday 9th March

Tickets are on sale after Mass or from the Parish Office £7 (£4 for under 14's)

Games Workshop Battle – Saturday 15th March

1.30pm – 4pm in Alexander House.

Do you play 40000k?

If so, bring your army up to 600 points worth of guys for an awesome super massive battle!

This is for serious players only please!

£4.00 (or donate more) to play - all proceeds for our church Lenten Project.

Pizza slices and refreshments will be available.

Please email me (below) with your army points to arrange battle tournament and teams. Also under 16s we need your parent's permission to attend email Charmaine: charmie@blueyonder.co.uk
See poster in the porch for more details.

Céad Mile Fáilte – Monday 17th March

All are welcome to celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Margaret Dixon's home, 40 Fassett Road, for Irish coffee & homemade Irish treats from 10am till 2pm.

Kingston Breakfast Run 23rd March

Wayne Mooney & Declan Dixon are planning to do the Whole Foods Market Kingston Breakfast Run (8.2 miles) on Sunday 23rd March to raise funds for the Lenten Project. Donation envelopes will be available shortly.

Film Night - ('Karol' a biography of John Paul II)

– Saturday 12th April

Quiz Night - Sunday 6th April

PRIZES FOR BINGO & QUIZ NIGHTS

If you have any unwanted Christmas gifts that can be used as prizes for our Bingo & Quiz nights they will be gratefully received at the Parish Office.

NOTICES & PUBLICATIONS

Any notices or publications to be considered for display in the Church, must be handed into to The Parish Office first please. Thank you Fr. Kevin