



St. Raphael's Church

Catholic Parish Church & Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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11th May 2014 The Fourth Sunday of Eastertide (A)

9.30am Family Mass Simone Bouheben RIP
11.30am Sung Mass David Gardiner RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish
3.00pm May Procession

Mon. 12th May Feria in Eastertide
10.00am Francis Holland RIP
Tue. 13th May Our Lady of Fatima
10.00am In thanksgiving for graces received & Manfred Gramstadd RIP
Wed. 14th May St. Matthias
12.00 noon Mary Sebastian RIP
(Followed by Tea & Coffee)
Thu. 15th May Feria in Eastertide
10.00am Pat Richardson RIP
(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.20am to 12 noon)
Fri. 16th May St. Simon Stock
10.00am Jacob Ezechiel RIP
12.00 noon Requiem Mass for Michael Seviour RIP
(A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat)
Sat. 17th May Our Lady
10.00am Those killed in the Filipino earthquake in 2013

18th May 2014 The Fifth Sunday of Eastertide (A)

9.30am Family Mass Mary Coyne RIP
11.30am Sung Mass The People of the Parish
5.00pm Quiet Mass Mary Frank Welfare
4.00pm Rosary & Benediction

Parish Diary This Week

TUESDAY

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

Pilates
7.00pm - 8.30pm
Alexander House

WEDNESDAY

Church Cleaning
Before Mass

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

Tea and coffee after Mass

THURSDAY

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

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

No Tea & Coffee today
(1st Holy Communion Mass
today)

Rosary & Benediction 4pm



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

H.M.E. Highness
The Prince and Grand Master of the Order of Malta



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
£610.27 loose
+ £205.00 Gift Aid
= £815.27

There will be a 2nd collection next Sunday for Ecclesiastical Education

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

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

The Rosary is recited

Monday - Saturday
before Mass
Sundays 4pm.



OUR ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION

This afternoon at 3pm we shall have our annual procession in honour of Our Blessed Lady around the Grounds of the Church. Please come along and be part of this important event.

SHEILA JONES - CHARITY BIKE RIDE

Please may I thank everyone who supported my cake sale on Sunday. If you baked, bought, donated or pledged I can't thank you enough, I was overwhelmed by all your generosity and I raised a staggering £286.76 in cake sales, received cash donations of £200, and further pledges of £90. With what has already been donated on my just giving page I have possibly achieved £866.76. If the 2,000 women aiming to complete this charity bike ride, do as well as I have then the three cancer charities we are raising funds for stand to get a substantial amount of money. Thanking you once again, and keep me in your prayers. Sheila

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next Sunday 16 children from the Parish will make their 1st Holy Communion at the 11.30am Mass. Please pray for the children on this most special of days for them. Please note this Mass will be very crowded. The Mass will be followed by a reception to which everyone is invited.

CELEBRATE TWICKENHAM

(June 28th & 29th at Gumley House School, Isleworth)
A lively, Catholic, faith filled weekend for the whole family - with inspiring talks and workshops, a crèche and streams for children & young adults aged 4 to 21, Adoration, Reconciliation and Mass. It's a perfect way for everyone in the family to grow in faith.
To see the full list of speakers and activities, visit www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/Twickenham. It sold out in 2013 with over 500 people so book early as the children's streams fill up quickly. Call 07733 277739 and ask Angie or Pat for more information.

GIFT AID

If you are a member of the Gift Aid Scheme, your next set of boxes are available now at the back of the Church. If you donate by Standing Order there are also envelopes for you for special collections. Please check your details are correct on the labels and advise the Parish Office of any changes.

TRYING TO TRACE SOMEONE

Does anyone remember the Heathcock(cote) family of Berrylands, living just about opposite the Tennis Club? I am trying to trace Jenny Heathcock (or Heathcote not sure of correct spelling). She was at the Ursulines, Wimbledon between 1956 and 1964. Someone from her year is trying to arrange a Class reunion and would like to invite her to it. Please reply to macvick@gmail.com or to 07958 683 304. Thanks! Tessa Macleod"

Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Souls of the following who died recently.

Michael Seviour

his Requiem Mass will be on
Friday 16th at 12.00 noon

& David Stileman

his Requiem Mass will be on
Friday 23rd at 10.00am

OUR 2014 LENTEN PROJECTS

Mary's Meals & The Kingston Food bank.

Thank you to everyone who arranged and supported the fundraising events for Mary's Meals our Lenten Project and those who donated money.

WE RAISED A TOTAL OF £ 3,458.98 = A WEEK'S WORTH OF MARY'S MEALS FOR 691 CHILDREN!

A cheque for this amount will be sent off to Mary's Meals this week. The money was raised by the following events

Bingo Night	£256.05
Hunger Lunch's	£212.00
War Games Afternoon	£ 70.00
Sweets in a Jar	£ 82.00
St. Patrick's Day Celebration	£413.00
Kingston Breakfast Run	£739.15
Cake Sale	£146.00
Quiz Night	£371.05
Film Night	£222.00
Collection Boxes & donations	£947.73

Thank you also to all those who donated to the Kingston Foodbank

FRIDAY PENANCE

A number of people have been asking about the Friday fast day. Please see below the original letter issued by the Bishop's Conference:

'By the practice of penance every Catholic identifies with Christ in his death on the cross. We do so in prayer, through uniting the sufferings and sacrifices in our lives with those of Christ's passion; in fasting, by dying to self in order to be close to Christ; in almsgiving, by demonstrating our solidarity with the sufferings of Christ in those in need. All three forms of penance form a vital part of Christian living. When this is visible in the public arena, then it is also an important act of witness.

Every Friday is set aside by the Church as a special day of penance, for it is the day of the death of our Lord. The law of the Church requires Catholics to abstain from meat on Fridays, or some other form of food, or to observe some other form of penance laid down by the Bishops' Conference.

The Bishops wish to re-establish the practice of Friday penance in the lives of the faithful as a clear and distinctive mark of their own Catholic identity. They recognise that the best habits are those which are acquired as part of a common resolve and common witness. It is important that all the faithful be united in a common celebration of Friday penance.

Respectful of this, and in accordance with the mind of the whole Church, the Bishops' Conference wishes to remind all Catholics in England and Wales of the obligation of Friday Penance. The Bishops have decided to re-establish the practice that this should be fulfilled by abstaining from meat. Those who cannot or choose not to eat meat as part of their normal diet should abstain from some other food of which they regularly partake. This is to come into effect from Friday 16 September 2011 when we will mark the anniversary of the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to the United Kingdom.

Many may wish to go beyond this simple act of common witness and mark each Friday with a time of prayer and further self-sacrifice. In all these ways we unite our sacrifices to the sacrifice of Christ, who gave up his very life for our salvation.'