



# St. Raphael's Church

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## 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018 - Pentecost Sunday (B)

9.30am Family Mass      Vernon Freeman  
11.30am Mass with Hymns      Missa Pro Populo  
5.00pm Quiet Mass      Thomas O'Malley  
Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4.00pm

(17<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary time)

Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> May      Mary Mother of the Church  
10.00am      Celia Dawson  
12.00noon      Requiem Mass for Rosa Pardhanani RIP  
Tue. 22<sup>nd</sup> May      St. Rita of Cascia  
10.00am      Belinda Coutinha RIP  
Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> May      Feria in Ordinary Time  
12.00 noon      Bernie Browne RIP  
Thu. 24<sup>th</sup> May      Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest  
10.00am      Ada Freeman RIP  
11.15am      Requiem Mass for Olga De Navarro RIP  
(No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament today)  
Fri. 25<sup>th</sup> May      The Venerable Bede  
(A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat)  
10.00am      Maureen Davis & family  
Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> May      St. Philip Neri  
10.00am      The deceased members of the Nary & Stanley Families

## 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018 - Trinity Sunday (B)

9.30am Family Mass      Denis Curtin RIP  
11.30am Mass with Hymns      Eamon Hickey RIP  
5.00pm Quiet Mass      Missa Pro Populo  
Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 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*

- In thanksgiving for a grace received*
- The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for*
- Priests*

**Confessions**  
**Sundays** 9.00am – 9.20am  
& 4.30pm – 4.50pm  
**Saturdays**  
10.30am – 11.00am



The Rosary is recited daily in the Church Monday – Saturday before Mass and at 4.00pm on Sundays

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY –

During the 9.30am Mass

## CONFIRMATION-

The next Confirmation session will be on this evening – 20<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm in Alexander House.

## 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 **0208 546 4633.**

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

## LITTLE CHERUBS –

Toddler playgroup on Mondays. Join us in Alexander House from 10.30am till 12.00noon. We offer loads of fun toys, activities, singing, coffee, tea, snacks and above all, lots of friendly faces. For all ages from young babies to pre-schoolers. Term time only.

## BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE –

The next Parish Baptism Course for those living within the Parish boundary and attending Sunday Mass here, will be held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 10.00am – 12.00noon in Alexander House. Please email the Parish Office to obtain an application form to attend the course.

## TEA & COFFEE AFTER MASS –

Please join us in Alexander House after Sunday and Wednesday morning Mass for tea & coffee.

**Thank you for last Sundays collection**  
**£943.45 loose & £340.51 Gift Aid**  
**= £1,283.96**  
**plus £220.00 for**  
**World Communications day**



## St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

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

## THE PARISH OFFICE

Please note the Parish Office is closed until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June



For the early Church, Pentecost was a beginning – a beginning of the Church born in the Spirit of God. To some, Pentecost has been reduced to an end – the end of the Easter season or some simplified watered-down happy “birthday” of the Church. For many - Pentecost and the Sacrament of Confirmation remain as much a mystery as the Holy Spirit Himself. Pentecost and Confirmation remain an untapped source of tremendous life-giving grace for us individually and the Church and society as a whole.

When we, as individuals, are emblazoned with the fire of the Holy Spirit - we bring that fire into the Church and into society as a whole. The Holy Spirit must never be reduced to a “force,” He is a person, a Divine Person, who loves us and wants a relationship with us. He is neither fire, wind, nor a bird - he is the third Person of the Most Blessed Trinity who we can and must talk to, share with, listen to and learn from.

Jesus desperately wants to give us His Peace, however for Him to do that, we must allow Him to breathe His Spirit on us, we must be not afraid. As Pope St. John Paul II said so many times we all truly need to be healed and this cannot happen without forgiving those who have hurt you and asking forgiveness from God for yours sins. He breathes on us and we receive the Holy Spirit, not just at Baptism and Confirmation when we receive the oil of Sacred Chrism, which is breathed upon and consecrated by the bishop, but also when we go to confession. In today's Gospel we are reminded that the Sacrament of Confession was instituted by Christ and handed on to the Apostles. We hear Jesus “breathes” on the Apostles and says: “receive the Holy Spirit...” When we go to Confession, the priest raises his anointed right hand and prays the formula of absolution, you receive the Holy Spirit through the priest, who is interceding for you. If we are prepared to let Him into our hearts, it is the Holy Spirit that enables us to grow, to be healed, love and be loved.

#### LONDON SW CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

- a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242. Our next social evening is on Saturday, 2nd June at 7.00pm at Noor Jahan, Sutton SM2 5BQ.

Congratulations to the 22 Children from our Parish who made their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion last Sunday.

A special word of thanks to our Catechists and the volunteers who worked so hard in preparation for last Sunday's celebration.

The children will return in their finery on Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup> June – the feast of Corpus Christi. On that day, they will attend the 11.30am Mass then lead the Parish procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament around the grounds of the Church. This will be followed by a parish lunch to which all are invited.

#### BEDDING PLANT SALE

There will be a sale of bedding plants at the church after all masses today. 10% of all profits will be donated to church funds. Plants include - Ivy Leaf Geraniums, Zonal Geraniums, Calibrachia, Verbena, Felicia, Bacopa Fuchsia and various vegetable plants – all at very reasonable prices!

#### ST RAPHAEL'S PARISH CHURCH GOLF SOCIETY

We are starting an exciting new society for those interested in playing golf. This is open to all parishioners who enjoy the game, there are no handicap limitations. We aim to play from time-to-time at Richmond Park Golf Club from 4.00pm on various Saturdays and relax in the '19th' hole bar after the game. Participants will be able to play either 9 or 18 holes. Our first round of golf will be on Saturday 23rd June. The cost will be £14.40 per person. For more information e-mail Tom Morrell at [straphaels.golf@gmail.com](mailto:straphaels.golf@gmail.com).

*Of your Charity, please pray for the  
Repose of the souls of -*

**Rosa Pardhanani**

*Her requiem Mass will be celebrated on  
Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> May at 12.noon.*

**Olga De Navarro**

*Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 11.15am.*

**Maria Del Carman Navarro**

*Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am.*

**May They Rest in Peace**



#### \*NEW\* MONTHLY FAITH TALKS

St Raphael's launches a new monthly event: “Theology on Tap”. Talks on topics related to the Catholic faith will be delivered by a range of speakers from within and outside the Parish. Quench your spiritual thirst with friends in the church hall in Alexander House over a glass of wine or other refreshment.

**The first event will be from 6pm-8pm next Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May when Deacon Peter will speak about ‘The Role of the Permanent Deacon in the life of the parish.’**

All are welcome to attend. Donations will be invited each month to cover costs.

Details of future events will be announced in due course and will aim to be scheduled for the last Sunday in each month. Please save the dates!