



St. Raphael's Church

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6th November 2016 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter IV

9.30am Family Mass Rose Rita Green RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Pro Populo
5.00pm Quiet Mass Angela Woolliscroft RIP

No Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament today as there will be the Blessing of Graves - see page 2

Mon. 7th Nov. The Dedication of St. George's Cathedral
10.00am Jane Morin
Followed by the blessing of the Crypt and grounds of the Church
Tue. 8th Nov. St. Willibrord
10.00am Mike Barlow
Wed. 9th Nov. The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
12 noon The Holy Souls
Thu. 10th Nov. St. Leo the Great
10.00am Edward Leslie Plumber RIP
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood. Concludes with Benediction at 12.noon
Fri. 11th Nov. St. Martin of Tours
10.00am The Dead of the Great War (World War I)
A day of abstinence when we are asked to abstain from eating meat
Sat. 12th Nov. St. Josaphat
10.00am David Kelly

13th November 2016 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter I Remembrance Sunday

9.30am Family Mass June Bendall RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Charles Yallop & Peter Stewart
5.00pm Quiet Mass 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 - Margaret Gandhi RIP & William Coelho RIP



The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for - Pamela Coelho's special intention

The Lamp at St. Anthony's Shrine is burning for - Michelle & Linda's special intention

Children's Liturgy

During the 9.30am Mass



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



Confessions Sundays

9.00am - 9.20am &
4.30pm - 4.50pm

Saturdays

10.30am - 11.00am

RCIA

Meets on Fridays at 7.30pm in the Parish Library (For more information contact Deacon Peter whose details are on the Newsletter header)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

Saturday at 10.30am in Alexander House. (The programme is now full)

The Rosary is recited

Monday - Saturday before Mass and on Sunday at 4.00pm

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.

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.

CHURCH CLEANING

Every Wednesday at 9.00am - please come and help keep our church looking beautiful for Our Lord.

THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

£582.14 loose + £347.34 Gift Aid = £929.48

There will be a 2nd collection next Sunday in aid of the Archbishop's Diocesan Administration Fund

Tea & Coffee

after the 9.30 & 11.30 Masses today. Please join us and say hello.

KINGSTON UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC SOCIETY

St. Raphael's is the Catholic Parish Church for the University and students and staff are most welcome at all our Masses and other events in the parish. Deacon Peter is the Catholic Chaplain to the Kingston University Catholic Society and he is available to help and support all students and staff. (See above for his contact details) The students of the Catholic Society meet every week after the 5.00 pm Mass at St. Raphael's. Please join us for refreshments, prayer, discussion and meditation on the scriptures.

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.

IMPORTANT – HOW TO CLOSE THE DOOR FROM THE CHURCH TO ALEXANDER HOUSE

It is very important that people do not pull the doors from the Church to Alexander House shut. The doors are fitted with a magnetic doorstop which is connected to the fire alarm and if they are pulled shut this breaks the magnet and the casing on the door stop. The only way to close the doors is to push the button, which is located under the casing on the doorstop.

IF YOU CANNOT FIND THE BUTTON, PLEASE LEAVE THE DOORS AS THEY ARE AS YOU WILL BREAK THE STOPPERS AND MAGNETS.
THANK YOU

SINGLE MINGLE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Christmas party for all single Catholics on Friday 9th December. Last year over 90 single Catholics from all over London, and a few from even further, came along and we hope even more of you will join us this year for what is guaranteed to be a great night. Tickets cost £10 For more information, please contact the Austin Forum, Augustinian Centre, Hammersmith W6 8AU. Be sure to register with claire@austin-forum.org

CONFIRMATION 2017

We will be joining with Our Lady Immaculate Parish for the Confirmation programme next year. The programme will begin on 17th January with the Confirmation Mass being held on 3rd June. Candidates must be in Year 9 or above. Application packs are available from the sacristy or parish office and can also be downloaded from the web site. Please submit completed forms to our parish office. **The closing date for all applications is Sunday 27th November.**

THIS WEEK WE KEEP TWO VERY IMPORTANT FEASTS

On Monday we celebrate the anniversary of the Dedication of St. George's our cathedral. The original Cathedral was opened in 1848 as a parish Church. Two years later, the pope restored the English hierarchy and St. George's was chosen as the Cathedral Church of the new Diocese of Southwark. For the next half-century, until the opening of Westminster Cathedral, St. George's was the centre of Catholic life in London. Disaster came during the 2nd World War on 16th April 1941 a bomb set alight the roof and by the following day the Cathedral lay in ruins. The cathedral was rebuilt and on 4th July 1958 the new Cathedral was solemnly opened by Bishop Cowderoy. On the 28th May 1982, Pope St. John Paul II visited the Cathedral during his visit to England. On Wednesday we celebrate the dedication of the Lateran Basilica. Most of us think of St. Peter's as the Pope's church. In fact, St. John Lateran is the Pope's church and is the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Pope officially presides. The first basilica was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family. Beneath the high altar rest the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds St. Peter himself celebrated Mass. The dedication of a church is a feast for all its parishioners and in a sense, St. John Lateran is the parish church of all Catholics.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

A plenary indulgency for the Holy Souls

This can be obtained today by visiting a church reciting the Our Father and Creed, receiving Holy Communion, going to Confession and praying for the Holy Father's intentions. A plenary Indulgence can also be obtained by visiting a cemetery between today and the 8th November.

November envelopes

At the back of the Church you will find the Holy Souls envelopes into which you can place the names of those you wish to remember (Catholic or non-Catholic). Those names will be placed under the altar and remembered at every Mass during November. You may wish to place an offering in the envelope for a Mass to be offered for the Holy Souls. These will be offered throughout the year.

Blessing of graves – today

The annual blessing of graves will take place this afternoon. A short service in the chapel at Surbiton cemetery at 2.00pm followed by blessing of graves. Also, short service in the chapel at Kingston cemetery at 3.00pm followed by blessing of graves. (Please note no Benediction today)

Tomorrow after the 10.00am Mass there will be a blessing in the crypt and grounds of St. Raphael's Church.

Grave Lights

We have 'Grave Lights' available in the repository costing £3.50. These are 5-day candles in red, weather-proof, containers which are suitable to place on the graves of your loved ones at the cemetery. This lovely custom is particularly appropriate during November, when we pray especially for the Holy Souls.

THE HOLY CROSS SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 2nd December, from 6.30pm – 9.00pm - carol singers, festive food, gorgeous gifts, jewellery, gift foods, cards and wrapping – it will be the perfect opportunity to mix Christmas shopping with supporting this local Catholic secondary school. Entrance is £2, to include a mulled wine/soft drink and a mince pie and U18s can come in for free. We look forward to welcoming you on the evening. You will find us on Sandal Road, New Malden,

FREEDOM FROM SIN - CALVARY AND THE MASS

A talk on the 10th November at The Amigo Hall, Lambeth Road, SE1 6HR. 7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

DAY WITH MARY

Sacred Heart Church, Camberwell on Saturday 12th November. Starting 10.00am. See poster for details.

KINGSTON STREET PASTORS

Kingston Street Pastors will be holding their annual celebration on Saturday 20th November at 6.30pm at the Kingston United Reformed Church. The guest speaker this year will be Bishop Paul Hendricks.

TOWARDS ADVENT - FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC CULTURE

Saturday November 26th Westminster Cathedral Hall. Free admission. Doors open at 10am. For more details go to <http://towardsadvent.blogspot.co.uk>.

CONCERT IN AID OF 'THE PASSAGE'

There will be a concert in aid of 'The Passage', a Christian Charity working with homeless people, on Tuesday 8th November. This being the night of the American election, there will be an American theme. Prices start at £12. For more details email tickets@passage.org.uk or tel. 020 759 2186 or visit <http://www.anightunderthestars.co.uk/>