

# St. Raphael's Church

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter Ill **Rosary Sunday**

9.30am Family Mass **Mary Sebastian RIP** 11.30am Sung Mass Rosa & Henry McGarry RIP 5.00pm Quite Mass **Pro Populo** 

# 4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon. 3rd Oct. Feria in Ordinary Time Joseph Amanpour RIP 10.00am Tue. 4th Oct. St. Francis of Assisi 10.00am Agnes Barrett RIP Wed. 5th Oct. Feria in Ordinary Time 12.00noon Peter Sillem RIP

Thu. 6th Oct. St. Bruno

10.00am Joseph Amanpour RIP

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood. Concludes with Benediction at 12.00noon

Fri. 7th Oct. Our Lady of the Rosary 10.00am In reparation for abortion

A day of abstinence when we are asked to abstain from eating meat

Sat. 8th Oct. Our Lady

10.00am Jean Mary Elliott RIP

9th October 2016 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) psalter IV

9.30am Family Mass **Pro Populo** 

11.30am Sung Mass Josephine & Mark Cryan RIP

5.00pm Quite Mass **Debbie Stokes RIP** 

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

We resume Thursday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament This week.

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 - The Ubald Family

The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for - The Ubald Family

The Lamp at St. Anthony's Shrine is burning for - The Ubald Family



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

#### 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.

#### A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW STUDENTS AT KINGSTON UNIVERSITY.

St. Raphael's is the Catholic Parish Church for the University and Students are most welcome at all our Masses and other events here in the parish. Deacon Peter is the Catholic Chaplain to the University and he is available to help and support all students and staff. He can come and meet you at any of the University's campuses on request. He reserves Wednesday afternoons from 1 pm onwards for consultation but is happy to meet people on other days also. Please contact him by phone, text or e-mail to arrange a meeting - Deacon Peter's contact details can be found in the newsletter header.

#### THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

£530.42 loose + £433.36 Gift Aid = £963.78

#### **CHURCH CLEANING**

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

#### Children's Liturgy

During the 9.30am Mass There will be a children's liturgy meeting after the 9.30 Mass next Sunday, 9th October. All parishioners are welcome to this meeting to learn more about Children's Liturgy.

#### **CONVERSATIONAL ITALIAN**

Fridays at 10.30am in the Library in Alexander House - suggested donation £1.50 towards Church funds.

#### Confessions Sundays

9.00am - 9.20am 4.30pm - 4.50pm Saturdays 10.30am - 11.00am

# Tea & Coffee

after the 9.30 Mass today

#### The Rosary is recited

Monday - Saturday before Mass and on Sunday at 4.00pm



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.

Today we celebrate Rosary Sunday and in fact the whole month of October is specially dedicated to this great prayer. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pope Pius XII called it a 'compendium of the gospel.' The main focus is on Jesus - his birth, life, death and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus's Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The Glory Be reminds us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The rosary's great appeal is it's simplicity. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

"The rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centred prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb.... It can be said that the rosary is, in some sense, a prayer-commentary on the final chapter of the Vatican II Constitution Lumen Gentium, a chapter that discusses the wondrous presence of the Mother of God in the mystery of Christ and the Church" (Pope St. John Paul II's, apostolic letter The Rosary of the Virgin Mary).

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

#### **PARISH BAPTISM COURSE**

The next Baptism course for parishioners will be held on the 22nd and 29th October 2016
10am – 12 noon in the Upper Room
Alexander House. Please contact Fr. Kevin to book a place on this course. Email parishpriest.straphael@gmail.com

#### RCIA COURSE STARTS EARLY OCTOBER

The course for adult non-Catholics who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or who want to know more about the Catholic faith - as well as adult baptised Catholics who are seeking the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, starts in early October. The group is very friendly - you go at your own pace. There is no expectation that in joining the group you will become a Catholic. You can leave the course at any time. Please contact Deacon Peter (details in the Newsletter header) who will be running the course.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

Saturday mornings in Alexander House at 10.30am

#### **ANNUAL MASS COUNT**

Today and for the next four Sundays all churches in this country have to take part in the annual Mass Count. (The figures have then to be forwarded to the Holy See) Therefore, could those taking up the collection at Mass also count those present -Thank you



Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham During This Year of Mercy.

On Saturday 15th October there will be a joint Parish Pilgrimage

to The National Catholic Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham with St. Catherine's Parish, Chessington. The coach will depart from the car park of St. Catherine's at 7.00am to arrive at Walsingham for the Pilgrims Mass at 12noon. We will depart from Walsingham at 5.00pm. During the day you have the opportunity to obtain the Indulgence for the Holy Year of Mercy.

The return fare will be approximately £25.00 per person. If you would like to book a place on the coach, please contact Michael in the parish office together with your payment.

#### **ALTAR SERVERS / HANDMAIDS OF MARY**

Boys and Girls who have made their First Holy Communion and would like to find out more information about serving at the Altar for boys, Handmaids of Mary for girls, are invited to attend a meeting next Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am in the church.

#### THE ANNUAL ROSARY CRUSADE OF REPARATION

Takes place next Saturday 8th October. Assemble by 1.45pm outside Westminster Cathedral.

For more details please see poster in the porch.

# **BEEF DIRECT FROM THE FARM**

Free range beef, grass fed and hung for three weeks for tenderness and flavour. It will be available packaged ready for the freezer in assorted cuts - some steaks, diced for stewing and braising, a roasting joint and mince. In total 5kg of meat for £50. It will be ready on the 4<sup>th</sup> October. For more information or to order please email Subash <a href="mailto:nazareth@blueyonder.co.uk">nazareth@blueyonder.co.uk</a> or call 07831597866

## **LONDON EVENINGS OF FAITH**

All are welcome to a series of talks on 'The Church & Society' which will take place at 7:30pm on alternate Tuesdays from 4<sup>th</sup> October at St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Moorhouse Rd, Bayswater. For a list of full dates, themes and speakers please see the poster in the porch or visit the 'Faith' website <a href="https://www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith">www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith</a>

# CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS' OPEN EVENINGS FOR PROSPECTIVE YEAR 7 ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2017

Holy Cross Girls Secondary, School Sandal Road, New Malden.

Monday 3rd October, 5.30 - 8pm.

Richard Challoner Boys Secondary School Manor Drive North, New Malden.

Thursday 6th October, 6 - 8.30pm.

See posters in the porch for more information

## **FUNERAL PLAN OPEN DAY**

F.W. Paine, one of our local funeral Directors, are holding a Funeral Plan Open Day on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. See the poster in the porch for more information.



Congratulations to Jude who was Baptised recently here at St. Raphael's. May God continue the good work he has started.

We need final numbers by the end of today please!