



St. Raphael's Church

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30th September 2018 – SS. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

9.30am Family Mass Alexander Raphael RIP
11.30am Mass with Hymns Rosa & Henry McGarry RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass Missa Pro Populo

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4.00pm

Mon. 1st October St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
10.00am Gertrude & Maria Ezechiel RIP
Tue. 2nd October The Holy Guardian Angels
10.00am Norman Woolfson RIP
Wed. 3rd October Feria in Ordinary Time
12.00 noon David Kelly
Thu. 4th October St. Francis of Assisi
10.00am Agnes Barrett RIP
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood. Concludes with Benediction at 12.00 noon.
Fri. 5th October Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am Peter Sillem
(A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat)
Sat. 6th October St. Bruno
10.00am Maurie Smith, Allan & Joyce Dumphy RIP

7th October 2018 – Twenty Seventy Sunday of the Year (B) Rosary Sunday

9.30am Family Mass Ester Collini RIP
11.30am Mass with Hymns Ellen & John Dalglish RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass Missa Pro Populo

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 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
- W.K. Kim & Y.O. Lee
The Lamp on Our Lady's Altar is burning for
- All past and present parishioners of St. Raphael's Parish
The Lamp St. Anthony's Shrine is burning for
- A special Intention

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.

The Annual Rosary Crusade of Reparation takes place in London on Saturday 13th October. The procession leaves Westminster Cathedral at 1.45pm. Please see the poster in the porch for details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY –

During the 9.30am Sunday Mass.

CONFIRMATION-

The next session will be next Sunday at 6.00pm in Alexander House.

1st HOLY COMMUNION 2019 –

Registration has now closed. The first session, for those registered, is next Saturday morning at 10.30am.

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, his number is **0745 924 7163**. If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Michael.

THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION -

£701.12 – loose + £266.50 Gift Aid = £967.62

There is Tea & Coffee in the hall after Mass on Sunday mornings and after the 12.00noon Mass on Wednesdays.

Please join us and say hello!

LITTLE CHERUBS PLAYGROUP -

Little Cherubs Playgroup is looking for volunteers! The playgroup runs weekly on a Monday morning after Mass (10.30am) until noon, and we are looking for additional help so that a rota can be set up. Please contact moggs64@hotmail.com if you are able to help.

CAKE SALE NEXT SUNDAY IN AID OF OUR ALL SAINTS CHILDRENS' PARTY -

Next Sunday, after both morning Masses, we will have a cake sale in Alexander House to raise funds for our annual All Saints Childrens' Party. Any donations of cakes would be gratefully received, please leave in the Hall on the day. The Party will be on Saturday 3rd November – more details to follow.



St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 – 2UP.
T. 020 8546 7178 E. office@stjosephs.rbksch.org
W. www.stjosephs.kingston.sch.uk

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



Our Patron, St. Raphael

Today, we celebrate the feast of our Patron St. Raphael. Normally, the feast would be kept on the 29th of September – along with SS. Michael & Gabriel - however to allow us to celebrate the feast more solemnly we have, as is permitted, transferred the feast to today.

St. Raphael is one of the three archangels mentioned in holy scripture. He is mentioned in the Old Testament book of Tobit, in which he acts as a guide for the young Tobias on his journey to Media. On his return, he instructs Tobias on how to cure his father, Tobit, of his blindness. Only then does he reveal his true identity -

'I am Raphael, one of the seven angels who stand ever ready to enter the presence of the glory of the Lord.'

St. Raphael's healing ministry is not limited to illness and injury - it also protects travellers and defends people from the attacks of demons who inflict physical, mental and emotional harm. There is a beautiful image of St. Raphael and the young Tobias in the stained glass window above the High Altar in the Church.

Prayer to St. Raphael

O God, who gave Your servant Tobias the Holy Archangel St Raphael for a companion and guide on his journey, grant that during our earthly pilgrimage, we may always be protected by his watchful care and strengthened by his help. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

ADVENT CALENDARS & CHRISTMAS CARDS

Buy them early and support the Parish! We shall have our annual sale of Christian Christmas cards and Advent calendars after all masses on Sunday 14th October. All profits go to Church Funds.

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? COURSE FOR NON-CATHOLICS AND ADULT CATHOLICS SEEKING CONFIRMATION.

The course for adult non-Catholics who want to know more about the Catholic faith or who would like to become Catholics, begins this Thursday, 4th October at 8.00pm in Alexander House. This course is also for adult Catholics who are seeking the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. This is a very friendly group – you go at your own pace, with no expectation that in joining the group you will become a Catholic. You can leave the course at any time. The course is free of charge, though it is recommended that you buy some key books. Please contact Fr. Michael (details at the top of this page) if you would like to know more about the course.

Mass for Rosario Aguila – Sunday 11th November at 9.30am. Would the person who requested this Mass kindly contact Michael in the Parish Office please. Thank you.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

This coming Wednesday at 7.30pm, we welcome the Sisters of St Elisabeth's Convent, a Russian Orthodox community in Minsk, Belarus, to the parish for a concert of music from The Orthodox Divine Liturgy - as well as Russian and Belarusian traditional folk songs.

The concert is free, however, there will be collection at the end of the evening to support the sisters' work. St Elisabeth's Convent is named after the Holy Martyr Grand Princess Elisabeth and was founded in 1999. The convent currently numbers just under 400 nuns and sisters of mercy. Taking up the ministry of their patron saint, the sisters of the convent provide spiritual and social help to the sick and the suffering. They care for some 200 orphaned children with psychophysical difficulties - who they try to rehabilitate and raise in an atmosphere of love and mercy. They run a shelter for 180 people who have been led astray by the rough and tumble of life - the homeless, drug and alcohol dependants, ex-prisoners and the less able. They also run a shelter for women - ex-prisoners, the homeless and the mentally challenged. To support and develop their ministries, they run more than twenty workshops and studios producing sewing and embroidery, candles, wood-carving, stonework and metal goods - and many more. Some of these beautiful handmade items will be available to purchase in the hall after the concert. Tea & coffee will also be available.



MONTHLY TALKS AT ST. RAPHAEL'S ON TOPICS RELATED TO OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

**FR MICHAEL LOVELL –
30th SEPTEMBER, 6.00PM**

Tonight, Fr. Michael will give a talk entitled "Half a century on: the impact of the Second Vatican Council".

All are welcome to attend and enjoy a glass of wine with nibbles from 6pm, and to celebrate Fr Michael's and the Parish's patronal feast.

FUTURE DATES

On Sunday 28th October, Michael Nicholson – organist at St. Raphael's – will give a talk on the music of the Mass. On Sunday 25 November, Olivia Darby will speak about Catholic social teaching in a #metoo age.

CAFOD

This Friday is CAFOD's Family Fast Day. If you would like to contribute to this year's appeal, there are some envelopes available at the back of the Church. Please hand these in next Sunday with your normal Sunday offering.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

For King and Country! - Tuesday 9th October, 6.30pm. Meet on the steps of Westminster Cathedral.

Southwark & The Borough – Sunday 7th October at 4.00pm. See the other Side of London, including St. Georges Cathedral, the capital's first post reformation cathedral. Meet at the church of the Most Precious Blood, O'Meara Street, SE1 1TD. Cost: £5.00.

For more in information see the poster in the porch or contact: chwalkslondon@gmail.com or find us on Facebook or see catholichistorywalks.com