



St. Raphael's Church

Catholic Parish Church & Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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PLEASE NOTE THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL THE 15TH SEPTEMBER

7th September 2014 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Psalter week III

9.30am Family Mass Pro Populo
11.30am Sung Mass Denis & Rita Sumner RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass Fr. Vincent

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4pm

Mon. 8th September The Nativity of Our Lady
10.00am The deceased members of the Swallow & Jarvis Families
Tue. 9th September St. Peter Claver
10.00am The Traboulsi Family
Wed. 10th September Feria in Ordinary Time
09.15am Opening Mass for the new the School Year - St. Joseph's School
12 noon Bernard Forbes
Thu. 11th September Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am Fr. Clifton (Welfare)
(Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, concluding with Benediction at 12.00 noon)
Fri. 12th September The Holy Name of Mary
10.00am Noel Collins RIP
(A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat)
Sat. 13th September St. John Chrysostom
10.00am John Shane RIP

14th September 2014 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (A)

9.30am Family Mass Alan Wiles
11.30am Sung Mass Pro Populo
5.00pm Quiet Mass Urszula & Nicholas Redshaw - 2nd wedding anniversary

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4pm

Parish Diary This Week

Parish Diary TUESDAY

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

The Open Door Prayer Group
7.30pm
Church

WEDNESDAY

Mass for the Opening of the new
School Year

9.15am St. Joseph's School
Church Cleaning
Before Mass

THURSDAY

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

SATURDAY

Confessions.
10.30am - 11.00am

SUNDAY

Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass

Tea & Coffee Alexander House
after the morning Masses

Rosary & Benediction
4.00pm

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
Pat Mitchel



Tea and Coffee is served in Alexander House after the morning Masses on Sunday. Please join us and say hello!



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,
11.00am - 11.20am,
4.30pm - 4.50pm

Saturdays -

10.30am - 11.00am.

And at other times by reasonable request



The Rosary is recited daily
Monday - Saturday before Mass
Sunday 4.00pm

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.

Thank you for last Sunday's Collection

**£535.02 + £337.70 Gift Aid
= £872.72**

There will be a 2nd Collection next Sunday for the Catholic Association for Racial Justice

Our Children's Liturgy will resume next Sunday during the 9.30am Mass

St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher - Mrs Frances Robertson, The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 - 2UP

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Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club from 8.00am. After School Club until 6.00pm

WE WELCOME BACK ALL OUR STAFF AND PUPILS

2015 DIARIES

Our 2015 Parish Diaries are available at the back of the Church. They are free but a suggested donation of 50p in the box marked 'Upkeep of the Church' would be appreciated.

DEANERY SCHOOL'S EDUCATION MASS MONDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

The Annual Deanery Mass for those who work in Catholic Education will take place here at St. Raphael's on Monday 15th September at 4.30pm followed by refreshments in Alexander House. All teachers, classroom assistants, school governors and all those who have any connection with our Catholic Schools are most welcome to attend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Are you interested in being involved with our Children's Liturgy Team? There are other roles in addition to leading the Liturgy, such as registering the children, escorting them to the hall and returning them to the church. We shall be holding an informal meeting this morning after the 9.30am Mass in the library. Please come along for a chat over tea and coffee with members of the team and our parish safe guarding representatives, to find out more.

MISSION TODAY

There are copies of the latest addition of Mission Today, the magazine of the Association For The Propagation of The Faith (Missio) available at the back of the Church. They are free please help yourselves.

FAITH MOVEMENT LONDON TALKS: 'WHY THE CHURCH?'

All are welcome to our series of talks in the basement of 24 Golden Square, London W1F 9JR.

Tuesday 23rd September

Dealing with our wound of original sin.

By Mary Gray

Tuesday 7th October

The Old Testament: Preparation for a Saviour.

Fr. Ian Vane

Tuesday 21st October

Jesus Christ: Saviour and Redeemer.

Fr Michael Dolman

Tuesday 4th November

The synod on marriage: The deeper issues.

David Kerr

Tuesday 18th November

Contraception and holiness.

Christina Read

Tuesday 2nd December

Loving life in a culture of death.

Sr. Roseann Reddy

For more information, please visit

www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith

PARISH PRIEST'S SURGERY

Fr. Kevin's will hold his Tuesday night's surgery this week from 5.30pm – 7.00pm. No appointment is needed, please ring the bell at the Parish Office – marked St. Raphael's Cottage.

KINGSTON FOODBANK COLLECTION

Next Sunday we shall be having our quarterly collection for the Kingston Food Bank boxes will be available on that day in Alexander House to take any contributions you may wish to make. We need new, in-date, undamaged, non-perishable food. At present they particularly need tinned fruit, long life fruit juice, fruit squash, long life milk, coffee and instant custard. Please note we shall only be collecting food on the 14th September and that will be delivered to the foodbank on that day, so we cannot accept donations before or after that day.

PARISH COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the Parish Council tonight at 6.00pm in the Parish Library.

ALTAR CLOTHS – VOLUNTEER NEEDED PLEASE

Many thanks to Victoria, who for many years has been washing our Altar cloths, unfortunately as she is now moving away, we need a volunteer to take her place. The job involves washing the three Altar Cloths from the two Altars on the Sanctuary and Our Lady's Altar about every four to six weeks. If you could take on this task, please contact Michael in the Parish Office. (when it reopens on the 15th September)

CHURCH CLEANERS

We are still desperately short of people to clean the Church. If you could spare half an hour on Wednesday mornings at 9.00am, please come along and help.

CHURCH GUIDE

Copies of a new pamphlet entitled "St. Raphael's Church, a Brief History and Guide" are available at the Back of the Church and in the CTS stand in Alexander House, suggested donation £2.00

THE OPEN DOOR PRAYER GROUP

9th September 7.30pm in Church All Welcome

7:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / hymn

7:35-8 pm Silence

8:00 pm Intercessory Prayer/hymn

8:10 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet or Scripture Reflection

8:20 pm Silence

8:30 pm Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament / hymn

16th & 23rd September Home Prayers

30th September Bible Study Alexander House 7.30pm

For more information contact Christine Byrne.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Enrolment Forms are available for parishioners in the Sacristy, parish office, and our web site to download. Details of start dates for both programmes will be available soon.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME HELPERS

Helpers are needed for the Confirmation Programme 2014 / 2015 to assist two of our co-ordinators with the weekly meeting.

If you are interested in finding out more information please contact Fr. Kevin.

DATE FOR YOU DIARY - BUY THEM EARLY! SALE OF CHRISTMAS CARDS AND ADVENT CALENDARS

Our Repository will be holding a Sale of Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars and Christmas Gifts in Alexander House after All Masses, on Sunday, 28th September. Please drop in and buy some Christian cards, calendars and gifts. All proceeds will go to Church funds.