

#### **CLERGY**

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The parish office should be your first port of call for any enquiries, including appointments, and arrangements for all sacraments (e.g. baptisms, weddings, funerals). Please email Karin Rattray, the Parish Secretary, at kingston@rcaos.org.uk or call on 020 8546 4633. The office is open from 10am to 3pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (closed Wednesdays). Could you please limit telephone calls outside these hours to emergencies only. Thank You.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES	
SUNDAY 18 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022	
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, CYCLE C	
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	Holy Souls
6.30pm	Zoran Popovic RIP
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	Seamus Dooley RIP
10.30am	Keith & Alan Fraser RIP
6.30pm	Gennaro & Annunziata Diana RIP
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	Maria McCarthy RIP
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, Paul
	Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Memorial
9.30am	Keith Fraser RIP
Wednesday 21st	St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, Feast
9.30am	Private Intentions
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
9.30am	Zoran Popovic RIP
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Pius of Pietrelcina, Memorial
9.30am	Jacob Bulahad RIP
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Walsingham, Memorial
9.30am	Holy Souls
6.30pm	Thanksgiving to Triune God for gifts &
	Intentions Received
Exposition:	Monday to Saturday 8.30 – 9.20am.
Morning Prayer:	Monday to Saturday 9am.
Confessions:	Saturday 10-10.30am or at call.
Morning Prayer:	Monday to Saturday 09:00 AM
Mass Times:	Saturday: 09:30, 18:30 (Vigil Mass)
	Sunday: 09:00, 10:30, 18:30
Baptisms:	Sundays – By previous arrangement.
Marriages:	Six months' notice required – Diocesan rule.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**



For those who wish to have their child baptised, please come along to our class on <u>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022</u>. The class is held in the church hall from 2-4pm.

Or register for our subsequent class to be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Please complete and return the baptism application form, available on our website, to the parish office.

<u>Parents must to attend a Baptism preparation class before a child's</u>

<u>baptism</u>, <u>and it is recommended that Godparents also attend</u>.

#### HOME MISSION SUNDAY

#### Evangelii Gaudium Sunday - Sunday 18 September 2022

The Third Sunday in September, formerly called Home Mission Sunday, is now Evangelii Gaudium Sunday. Named after Pope Francis' first (solo) Apostolic Exhortation on the Joy of the Gospel, the day offers the Catholic community in England and Wales the opportunity to celebrate the beauty of our faith and our commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ.

The day supports the work carried out by the Mission Directorate at the Bishops' Conference in supporting our Bishops in areas of evangelisation and catechesis, the beauty of the Liturgy and our church buildings and sharing the beauty of the Catholic faith with Christian and non-Christians through outreach and dialogue.

This Sunday there will be a retiring collection to support the Bishops in these three important areas of work. More information can be found at: <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday/">https://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday/</a> Please also use the red bucket in the church porch or you gift aid envelopes.



#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY Sunday 18th September 2022

### We are looking forward to restarting Children's Liturgy!

Please join us at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022 when we will also have a children's liturgy session.

Children's Liturgy is usually held every other Sunday during term time at the 10.30am Family Mass. The children are asked to come forward after the opening prayer of the Mass and then they proceed to the where the Liturgy takes place. They return to join the full congregation at the offertory. Any work they have done is brought up during the offertory as their gift to God and the Community.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY - PARENTS DISCUSSION! Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022, after the 10.30 Family Mass

Children's Liturgy is run by the parents/adults in the parish who are keen to pass on their faith to the children. They use a variety of resources and each session is based on the readings of the day. Please come along on the 18<sup>th</sup> September and meet some of our current leaders to have a chat about how you can help as either a session leader or helper, to enable us to return to our usual children's liturgy schedule. Refreshments will be available. We would also welcome any young adults, recent confirmands and DofE students to come along and find out more about helping with Children's Liturgy.





#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022/23

Application forms for next year's First Holy Communion are now available from the church porch, or the parish office during office hours.

THIS SACRAMENT IS NORMALLY OFFERED TO BAPTISED CHILDREN WHEN THEY REACH YEAR 3. HOWEVER, A DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN TO CHANGE THIS TO YEAR 4. THEREFORE, WE WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM THOSE WHO ARE IN YEAR 4 OR ABOVE FROM SEPTEMBER 2022.



If your child has not already been baptised, we will arrange baptism with you at a suitable time whilst your child undertakes the course.

# Forms must be completed and returned IN PERSON ONLY at one of the following sessions:

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September between 2 4pm, at the Presbytery.
- ➤ Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September between 5.45 6.15pm, in the Cloister.
- Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September after 10.30am Mass, in the Cloister.

Please remember to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

#### LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

#### **CONFIRMATION 2022/23**



Registration forms for our next Confirmation programme are now available from the church porch, or the parish office during office hours.

Forms must be completed and returned to the parish office no later than:

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Late applications will not be accepted.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS COURSE

We will be holding a meeting on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.30pm in the church hall for everyone that wishes to enrol in the RCIA course. Everyone is welcome, please come along.

R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a set of rites, or ceremonies, designed to introduce and prepare non baptised adults into becoming full members of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation, namely, Baptism, (or Reception if already Baptised), Confirmation and Holy Eucharist (The Body and Blood of Christ).



It is also for baptised Christians of other churches who take a similar, but unique path through the rites where they will be Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church.

Baptised Adult Catholics seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation, and possibly the Holy Eucharist if not already received, can also join this programme. It can also be a good experience for full members of the Catholic Church who may not have practised their faith for a number of years, or for those who wish to more fully understand and deepen their faith.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

If you have a particular date or time which you want a Mass said, it is vital that you let the parish office know ahead of time and as soon as possible. For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please try to give at least four weeks' notice to avoid disappointment.

You are very welcome to book any Mass intentions in advance. We cannot guarantee a requested date when submitting last-minute Mass Intentions; if no date is specified or a date requested is not available, the Mass Intention will be assigned to the next open date.

Mass intentions envelopes are available at the back of the church. When requesting a Mass, please clearly indicate the intention and whether the Mass is for the deceased, the sick or for another intention. If you require confirmation of a Mass date and time, please ensure you provide your contact details. Please complete a Mass offering envelope in the church porch and either drop it in the intentions box, also located in the church porch, hand it to a parish priest or post through the presbytery letterbox.

# ST AGATHA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION TO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2023



Children born between 01 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 are eligible to start school at St Agatha's in September 2023

Our open mornings for prospective reception class parents are at <u>9.30am</u> on the following dates:

NEW DATE ADDED - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 31st October
Wednesday 16th November

BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED, PLEASE ARRIVE AT 9.30 Closing date for all applications is - 15th January 2023

#### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C Sunday, September 18, 2022

#### **Gospel Reading**

Luke 16:1-13 (shorter form, Luke 16:10-13)

Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.

#### **Gospel Reflection**

Today's Gospel sounds puzzling to contemporary readers, but it can be made less so by considering the economic system which stands behind the parable. A steward is dismissed because he is squandering his master's property. He is called dishonest because he is not serving the interests of the rich man, his employer. In response the steward, in an attempt to ensure favour for himself among the rich man's debtors, brokers repayment of the rich man's loans by foregoing the interest and fees that had been levied to line the steward's pockets. It is this action, in which the steward puts aside his greed and takes the longer perspective in order to enhance his security, which is commended by the rich man.

The passage concludes with three morals for the listeners. The first exhorts the listener to be prudent about the use of wealth. Like the steward in the parable, those who would follow Jesus must put transitory affairs in proper perspective. Christians should handle the affairs of temporal life with an eye toward eternal life.

The second concerns trustworthiness. Those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. If Christians handle money and other passing things responsibly, then they can also be trusted with the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

Finally, Jesus tells his listeners that no one can serve two masters simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

#### **Family Reflection**

Talk with your children about some things that they have done to show that they can be trusted. Talk a bit about what it means to be responsible. Responsibility often means that we put aside something of passing value for something of greater value.

Read together the short form of today's Gospel, Luke 16:10-13. Talk about the importance of responsible use of money and our material possessions. As a family, commit to one action that you will take this week to show that your family serves God and not money.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press



#### ++ LATELY DEAD++

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vincent Arendse, who died on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2022. His requiem will take place on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 11am. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

+++ 'Eternal rest grant to him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.' +++

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle, Melba De Silva and Marie Chlebeckova.

Please let the Parish Office know, in writing, if either you or your relatives would like to be mentioned on our sick list.

#### **LET US REMEMBER**

Let us remember those who have died recently or those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and all their families, with love and affection during this time of grief. May the Lord grant eternal rest to all who have died.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Arnold Brenninkmeyer, William Brady, Daniel Cullinane, Eric Wilson, Eric Ross, Peter Jones, Stella Teresa Solly, Alice Goodchild, Michael Harrison, Mary Josephine Thomas, John Elliot, Julia Forde, Reginald Jackson, Kathleen O'Connell, Cathleen Seymour, Colman Tierney, Nora Gugen, Seamus Dooley, Caroline Battye, Kathleen Isabel Shanahan, Mollie Laing, Gertrude Fielder, George Pollard, Christopher Doyle, Isabella Lowe, Anthony O' Connell, Frances Mary Oborn, Winifred Arendse, Harry Lee, Margaret Cedro, Sharmain Tavares, Joseph Breem, Margaret Maguire, Patrick Quinn, Ida Phillips, Ellen Prince, Angela Young, Carlo Booth.

+++May They Rest In Peace +++

# HOLY COMMUNION FOR SICK AND HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you are sick and/or housebound, our Priests would be happy to visit you, to pray with you, and to bring you Holy Communion in your home, please do let the Parish Office know; home visits are by request. If you know of someone who is unable to attend Mass but who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Parish Priests.





#### **DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal**

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected.



Scan the QR code to donate or donate online at: https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Pakistan-floods-appeal

#### CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

By donating to CAFOD this Family Fast Day, you can help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. CAFOD works with local experts to help people around the world to adapt to the changing climate and protect our common home. You can donate on the CAFOD website or by using a CAFOD envelopes available in the church porch. Please visit: <a href="https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day">https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day</a>

## Craigmyle Lecture 2022 Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Lecture at 6.30pm (Doors at 6pm).

The Catholic Union Lecture with Baroness Hollins on 19<sup>th</sup> September has been postponed and rescheduled for Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022. There is no need to reregister, but if you are no longer able to attend it would be very helpful if you were to cancel your registration.

Baroness Hollins will deliver the annual Catholic Union Craigmyle Lecture on 'Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe – Insights from the Vatican' at the University of Notre Dame (1 Suffolk Street, London SW1Y



4HG). In person and live streamed. All welcome, free to attend and followed by a Drinks Reception. You can register on <a href="mailto:Eventbrite">Eventbrite</a> or with the Catholic Union office at <a href="mailto:info@catholicunion.org.uk">info@catholicunion.org.uk</a> or on 020 87491321. Further details available at: <a href="mailto:Catholic Union Craigmyle-Lecture with Baroness Hollins">Catholic Union Craigmyle-Lecture with Baroness Hollins</a>

Sheila Hollins is a crossbench life peer and is a former President of both the Royal College of Psychiatrists and the British Medical Association. In 2014 she was appointed by Pope Francis as a member of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors. She is also a Vice-President of the Catholic Union of Great Britain. You can read a Profile of Baroness Hollins in the August edition of the Catholic Herald. The lecture is named for Lord Craigmyle (1923-1998), a former President of the Catholic Union.

Peace-making calls for courage, much more so than warfare. It calls

for the courage to say yes to encounter and no to conflict: yes to

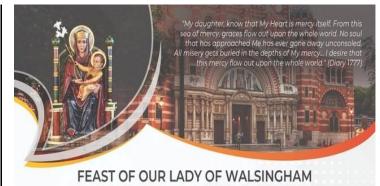
dialogue and no to violence; yes, to negotiations and no to

hostilities; yes to respect for agreements and no to acts of

provocation; yes to sincerity and no to duplicity. All of this takes

courage, it takes strength and tenacity. ~ Pope Francis.

UN International Day of Peace is observed on 21st September



Divine Mercy Afternoon of Prayer invoking the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham for the Conversion & Salvation of Souls - led by Fr Derek Hyett

# **WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2022

from 12.30pm Mass to 4.30pm

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT ANTONIA - ANTONIA@WALSINGHAM.ORG.UK

# MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE – UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **RESTORED LIVES**

Struggling after the breakdown of a significant relationship either now or in the past? This eight-session online course is for you. It runs for consecutive Monday evenings from 7-9.30pm starting Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 More details available at:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/restored-lives-32666416387

#### GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST

Recently bereaved? Emotions out of control? Feeling at a loss? This weekend is for those who are in mourning. A time for you. A space for you. It's being held at Aylesford Priory from Friday 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022. More details please call: 01622 717272

#### **BEGINNING EXPERIENCE**

If you have suffered a divorce or separation, this residential weekend will help you heal. It is being held from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. More details please call: 01322 838415 or email johnabrotherton@gmail.com

#### VISIT OF ST BERNADETTE'S RELICS TO ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL 19TH -20TH OCTOBER 2022



This September and October the UK will welcome the relics of St Bernadette, which will travel from the Upper Basilica in Lourdes to every Diocese in England and Wales, including the Archdiocese of Southwark. The invitation to host the relics was issued by the Shrine of Lourdes to the Bishops of England and Wales, and as part of this special tour, they will spend two days, between 19th and 20th October 2022, at St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

Further details are available at: <a href="https://rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/events/visit-of-st-bernadette-s-relics-to-st-george-s-cathedral-19th-20th-october-2022/">https://rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/events/visit-of-st-bernadette-s-relics-to-st-george-s-cathedral-19th-20th-october-2022/</a>

Book your place at:

https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/#southwark-diocese