

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 23RD OCTOBER 2022
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, C**

Saturday 22nd	
9.30am	Keith & Alan Fraser RIP
6.30pm	Joseph & Irene Coll RIP
Sunday 23rd 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	Marjorie Matthews
10.30am	Frank Argent RIP
6.30pm	Zoran Popovic RIP
Monday 24th	
9.30am	Mary Egan RIP
Tuesday 25th	
9.30am	James Corcoran RIP
Wednesday 26th	
9.30am	Zoran Popovic RIP
Thursday 27th	
9.30am	Wellbeing of Simon Corcoran
Friday 28th Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast	
9.30am	Elpidina Francisco RIP
Saturday 29th	
9.30am	Holy Souls
6.30pm	Vincenzo & Eric RIP
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 at 12pm, By previous arrangement.
Marriages:	Six months' notice required, Diocesan rule



**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2022:
'YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES'**

Today is World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday is being celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world today! It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Maria witness to their faith and offer vulnerable women in Ethiopia hope for a better future. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. If you use the donation envelopes to give by credit/debit card, please return the envelopes directly to Missio. Do not put them in the Church collection. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible. Donation envelopes are available in the church porch, or please pop any spare change in the red bucket that is also available. Further details are at <https://missio.org.uk>

ST AGATHA'S PARISH CENSUS

Please don't forget to pick up a copy of the Parish Census form and return on your next visit to the church. Thank you to everyone who has already completed and returned their form.

We thank you in advance for taking the time to complete your Census Form.

Completed forms can be posted in the census box at the back of the church, or returned to the Parish Office, by Monday 31st October 2022. Thank you.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

All Altar Servers are asked to come along to a brief training session on Saturday 5th November 2022 at 5pm. The session will last approximately an hour and parents of under 18s are asked to please remain in the church during the training. If you would like to join our brilliant team of Altar Servers at St Agatha's, please do come along and join them; we especially welcome those who have earlier this year completed their First Holy Communion.

BRITISH SUMMER TIME ENDS – CLOCKS GO BACK!

Please remember that the clocks go back one hour in the early hours of **Sunday, 30th October 2022**; Masses will therefore be one hour later than they would otherwise have been.



PARISH OFFICE

Karin, our Parish Secretary, will be on annual leave from Monday 31st October to Friday 4th November 2022. Therefore, the Parish Office will be closed, and will reopen on Monday 7th November 2022 at 10am. Please only call the presbytery in case of an emergency or for a pressing enquiry during this time. For non-urgent enquiries please email kingston@rcaos.org.uk and Karin will respond upon her return. For any other matters please wait until the parish office re-opens. Many thanks for your co-operation.



OCTOBER DEVOTION: THE HOLY ROSARY

Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. Pope Leo XIII personally started the practice of devoting October to the Rosary devotion. In a letter of September 1, 1883, mindful of the Rosary's power to strengthen faith and foster a life of virtue, he outlined the triumphs of the Rosary in past times and admonished the faithful to dedicate the month of October to the Blessed Virgin through the daily recitation of the Rosary, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, in order to obtain through her intercession, the grace that God would console and defend His Church in her sufferings. During October, we invite everyone to pray your rosary. We especially encourage families to pray the rosary together. As a parish we shall dedicate Sunday Evenings to Pray the Rosary together. Never mind if you're a bit rusty, or if it's been a while since you last prayed your rosary. It's never too late to begin again; come let us experience the power of the rosary. **We will start at 6pm every Sunday: 23rd and 30th** We are all encouraged to make this a date with Mary. **Would you be able to lead on any of the above dates? Please email the Parish Secretary at: kingston@rcaos.org.uk with your details. Thank you.**

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF ALL SOULS

In the month of November, we remember all our loved ones whom God has called from this life and pray for them at our daily Masses. Envelopes are available at back of church for you to put in the list of all loved ones in your family and friends whom have died. You can place a donation inside the envelope. Please hand it to Father or place it in the basket at the altar throughout the month of November. +++Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. +++

ALL SOULS - WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2022

Mass To Remember: on Wednesday 2nd November 2022 at the 9.30am Mass we will remember those in parish who have died since 1st November 2021. The names of those in our register, will be read out during the Mass.

If a member of your family passed away during the last 12 months and their requiem was held outside of our parish and you wish for them to be added to the list, please email their full name and date of death to the Parish Secretary

ANNUAL BLESSING OF GRAVES

The annual blessing of graves will take place on Sunday 6th November 2022. There will be a short service in the chapel at Surbiton cemetery at 2.00pm, followed by blessing of graves. Also, a short service in the chapel at Kingston cemetery at 3.00pm followed by blessing of graves. (Please assemble at the cemetery chapels.)

ANNUAL REQUIEM MASS FOR THE DECEASED CLERGY OF KINGSTON DEANERY

A Requiem Mass for the deceased clergy of Kingston Deanery will be held here at St. Agatha's on Tuesday 15th November 2022, 12pm. Everyone is welcome. Mass will be followed by lite refreshments.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS



For those who wish to have their child baptised, please register for our next class to be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The class is held in the church hall from 2-4pm. Please complete and return the baptism application form, available on our website, to the parish office.

Parents must to attend a Baptism preparation class before a child's baptism, and it is recommended that Godparents also attend.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS COURSE

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC? or wanting to explore your Catholics faith further?

Our Evangelium course starts on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Sessions will be held in the Cloister. from 7pm - 8.30pm. The programme consists of 12 sessions running until Easter 2023, plus further vital dates during Lent.

Evangelium is for adults who have not been Baptised and for Christians of other denominations who want to be Received into the Catholic Church.

Please email the Parish Office for more details and to register: [kingston@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kingston@rcaos.org.uk)

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. Everyone is welcome along! Refreshments will be provided.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022/23

Applications for next year's First Holy Communion Programme are now closed.



There will be a parent meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7.30pm.

The Inscription Mass is on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at the 10.30am Mass. All children MUST attend the Mass.

### CONFIRMATION 2022/23

Registration for our next Confirmation programme is now closed. An email update will be sent in a few weeks' time.



### MARRIAGES IN 2023



2023 may be the year that you plan to get married; many *Congratulations* if that is so.

**Please remember that there is a lot of preparation that needs to take place and you are required to inform the church at least six**

**months before.**

If you plan to celebrate your wedding at another church all preparation for our parishioners must take place here at St. Agatha's. Please contact the Parish Office and we will happily guide you.

*"If you want God to hear your prayers, hear the voice of the poor. If you wish God to anticipate your wants, provide those of the needy without waiting for them to ask you." ~ Saint Thomas of Villanova*

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C  
Sunday, October 23, 2022

### Gospel Reading

Luke 18:9-14

*Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee who prayed from his self-importance and the tax collector who prayed humbly.*

### Gospel Reflection

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.

### Family Reflection

In the family, one sometimes observes a level of competition between children for parent attention, for acknowledgement of their abilities. Somehow, children seem to internalize that the attention given to one member of the family diminishes the attention given to another. In this way, children can often sound like the Pharisee in Jesus' parable. Parents who provide continual reminders to their children that they are loved for who they are, not for what they do, help children develop a healthy spirituality.

As a family, talk about what it means to compare oneself to another. Discuss whether it is helpful to compare oneself to another. In what ways might this be positive? (When it motivates one to use one's talents) In what circumstances might this be unhelpful? (When it proves discouraging, when it prevents one from valuing the abilities of another)

As a family, read today's Gospel, Luke 18:9-14. Discuss: What was wrong about the prayer of the Pharisee? How can we emulate the prayer of the tax collector?

Pray together as a family in thanksgiving for the blessing that is each member of your family. Pray that your family will be free from unhealthy competition. Pray in thanksgiving that God's love for us is unconditional.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press



### **++ LATELY DEAD++**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Audrey Jean Weir who died recently. Her Funeral Service will take place here on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 11am. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

*+++ 'Eternal rest grant to her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she 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**

*Antonio Marshall, Agnes Rose Young, Mabel Gibbs, Sylvia Morling, Mary Cecilia Pope, James Carmody, Gerald Gaskin, Margaret Moore, Marion Josephine Laidler, Ethel Masters, Castilla Heaton Harris, Alexander Duncan, Helen Parker, Patrick Cremin(Jr), Hilda Lynch, Florence Healey, Harriet Taylor, John Williams, Michael Conway, Giacanta Berre, Joseph Reilly, John James Smith, Henry Robert Stimson, Eugenie Marie Connolly, Josef Andruskeiwicz, Margaret Solomon, Maria Josephine McCarthy, Thomas John Metcalf, Dr. Christopher Petit, James Flood, Maurice Marshall, Bridget Mary Flagg, Raymond Childs, Edgar Oliveira, Agnes Runnings, Colman Canavan, Charles Cummins, Frank Metcalf, Michael Kenny, James Moran, Robert Mosely, Margaret Jordan.*

*+++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.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

It is again becoming a very busy time for Mass requests and sometimes Masses can be booked weeks in advance, so, if you have a particular date or time on which you want a Mass said, **it is very important that you let the parish office know ahead of time and as soon as possible.** You are very welcome to book your Mass intentions in advance. We are sorry but we cannot guarantee a requested date when submitting late Mass Intentions; if no date is specified or a date requested is not available, the Mass Intention will be assigned to the next open Mass.

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.

Thank you.



### THE ROSARY

We pray the Rosary in the church every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning after Mass. Everyone is welcome to join in.

### PRAY THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays each week at 10 am after Mass. Please stay after Mass for 10/15 mins to pray with fellow parishioners.



**Please note this will not be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 due to a Funeral Service immediately after Morning Mass.**

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY HAS RESTARTED!

Please join us at the 10.30am Mass on Sundays, 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022, when we will have a children's liturgy session.

Children's Liturgy will be 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 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. If you would like to join the team, please contact the parish office for further information.

**ST AGATHA'S PSA  
FIREWORKS  
NIGHT**

**TUESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 5-7.30PM**

Fireworks start at 7pm in the playground.  
Hot food & drinks available to buy.

**BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.**

LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE.  
ONLY PRE PAID TICKETS.

Adult £5.50 Children £3.50

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/stagathasfireworks2022>

STRICTLY NO SPARKLERS ALLOWED

### DIOCESAN JOB VACANCY

#### Secretary for St George's Cathedral

St George's Cathedral is looking for a part-time secretary to join the team supporting the busy Cathedral parish.

This post will be offered initially on a 12-month fixed term contract. Reporting to the Cathedral Manager, the role is to provide comprehensive support to the parish in all administrative matters and will cover secretarial, financial and office management work. Previous secretarial experience is essential – along with good knowledge of bookkeeping/financial work.

The successful candidate will be fully conversant with current office software such as Outlook, Word and Excel and be generally comfortable with IT and office equipment. They will have excellent communication skills and a good understanding of the workings of a Roman Catholic Parish.

Hours of work are 20 per week, ideally worked over 5 days but we may be able to offer some flexibility in this. Starting salary £13 to £15 per hour, depending on experience.

If you would like to apply for this position, please email your CV to [hr@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:hr@rcaos.org.uk) by the closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023



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#### The Archdiocese of Southwark

is taking a group of pilgrims (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon.

Provisional dates are 31st July to 7th August.

Please register your interest to receive more information at [bit.ly/wydsouthwark](http://bit.ly/wydsouthwark)

Further information about World Youth Day is at [www.lisboa2023.org/en/](http://www.lisboa2023.org/en/)

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Would you like to join the group travelling to Lisbon? For further details and to register your interest, please visit: [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/world-youth-day-2023/](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/world-youth-day-2023/)

