

Our Lady &amp; St. Philip Neri Church, Sydenham

# NEWSLETTER

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

**Mass Book** Page 138  
**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Numbers 11: 25-29**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** James 5: 1-6  
**Gospel** Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48**ANYONE WHO IS NOT AGAINST CHRIST IS FOR HIM**

**W**e often tend to be exclusive, thinking that God acts only through those we recognise as fellow believers. Yet there are many good people through whom the Holy Spirit works, even though they may not call themselves Christians. Rather than seeing this as a problem, we can see it as an encouragement to live our lives of faith to the full.

↩ Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER**

**Y**oung People in Africa - That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER**

**T**he Mission of Religious - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalised, and those who have no voice.

**MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS**

Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 <sup>pm</sup>	Jose & Teresa Pereira RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>	Bernadette Lally RIP	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
	11.00 <sup>am</sup>	Sean Lally RIP	Saint Jerome
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>		Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>	Florence & Ellen Dimmock RIP	The Holy Guardian Angels
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>	Wellbeing of Teresa McDermott	
Thu 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>		Saint Francis of Assisi
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>		<b>CAFOD Harvest Fast Day</b>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 <sup>am</sup> 9.30 <sup>am</sup>	Morning Prayer & Exposition People of the Parish	
	6:30 <sup>pm</sup>	Deceased member of the Ingram family	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sup>am</sup>	Arthur Donnelly RIP	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
	11.00 <sup>am</sup>	Mr John Black RIP	Our Lady of the Rosary
	2:00 <sup>pm</sup>	<b>Walk &amp; Picnic in Mayow Park</b>	

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### PRAYERS

Please Pray for the sick and the housebound, for those recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Our blue "Prayers for Wellbeing", and black "Prayers of Remembrance" books are located at the back of the Church.

### CONFESSION

Confession times are: Monday - Friday • 9am, Saturday • 9am & 6pm, Sunday • 9am, and by appointment.

### COLLECTIONS

<i>Last Week</i>	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
£284 not Gift Aided £226 Gift Aided £300 Standing Order Gift Aided £241 <b>Parish Development Fund</b>	<b>Parish Development Fund</b>	<b>CAFOD Harvest Fast Day</b>

### WALK & PICNIC IN THE PARK AT 2<sup>PM</sup> ON 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

Sponsorship forms are available outside Church at each weekend Mass. If you can't join us on the day, then please sponsor Fr Regis. This year we will be holding the event at Mayow Park.

We have made a good start with volunteers, but we do need more. Please see those outside Church after each weekend Mass.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL 2019

Fr Regis is available to sign Secondary School Supplementary Information forms every Monday between 3<sup>pm</sup>-7<sup>pm</sup>, and on other days by appointment.

### SYDENHAM CATHOLIC CLUB EVENTS

We are appealing for photos of the club for our 50<sup>th</sup> celebration. If anyone has old photos of the club we can borrow to put up a display in October when we celebrate 50 years of existence it would be great. We promise to look after them and return them in November.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November** - We have the Dualers (Tyber and Pete) back for the last time in the Club. Tickets are £12 each and are available now to purchase from the club.

### DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & READERS

The annual day of recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers will take place at Bishop Thomas Grant School, Bell Tree Grove, SW16 2HY on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018**. Forms to attend this event are available from the presbytery, for those who have not already received them via email.

### VOLUNTEERS - CLEANERS

If anyone can help with the cleaning of the Church on a Wednesday morning, please contact Steve on 0208 778 9460.

### HARVEST FAST DAY - FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

On Family Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to share in the abundance that God has given us. We are asked to fast, pray and give, to help people like Longora who lives in a remote village in Uganda. The area is so hot and dry, people used to struggle to get enough clean water to survive. Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, CAFOD has made sure Longora and her neighbours now have a reliable supply of clean, safe water.

On Family Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to eat simply - perhaps having a bowl of soup instead of a meal - and give the money we save to help people like Longora. Your Fast Day envelope is attached to this newsletter.

Please Give Generously, Thank You

### A JOURNEY IN THE FAITH (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The next course for those Interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, or for those who wish to become Catholics, will start at the beginning of October. If you would like more information please contact Fr Regis on: **0208 778 9460** or by email to: [stphilipneri@btinternet.com](mailto:stphilipneri@btinternet.com)

### CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

The last day to submit the application forms for the above is Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September. The parents meeting for children preparing for FHC will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30<sup>pm</sup> in the school, and the parents meeting candidates for confirmation will be on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30<sup>pm</sup> in the Presbytery. Children **must** attend.

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The Mother and Toddler Group are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning in the hall on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October between 9.30-11.00<sup>am</sup>. All are welcome.

### MEETINGS

4<sup>th</sup> October • 8<sup>pm</sup> • Women's group • Presbytery

**Please do not park in the Church grounds**, this is reserved for blue badge holders, or those who need to drop off those with ability considerations. Thank you.

**During Mass**, please keep your children with you at all times, and accompany small children to the toilet.