NEWS LETTER

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10th August 2025: © 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass book: p 121 Preface: VII, P67 Eucharistic Prayer: II, P24

9.30am Entrance: 475, Offertory: L972, Post-Communion: L627, Recessional: L880.

11.0am

Gathering:164, Entrance:466, Gloria: 998, Gospel Acc:820, Offertory:824/, Memorial Accl. We proclaim your death Oh Lord, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion 972, Post communion:721 — O Lord my God, FINAL 768

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 9th - Saint Teresa Benedicta of The Cross, Virgin and Martyr

9.30 Mass:

18:30 First: Canon Grnest Roux RIP

SUN 10th 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

09.30 Mass: Norah & Magdalen Murray RIP

11.00 Mass:

MON 11th - Saint Clare, Virgin

09.30 Mass: Weel being of Parishioners who are ill

10.00 Rosary

TUES 12th - Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

09.30 Mass: Mr & Mrs J.P. OConnor RIP

10:00 Rosary

11.00 Funeral Mass of Mrs Ann Manly-Rollings

WED 13th -Saint Pontain, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

09.30 Mass: Special Intention

10:00 Rosary

THURS 14th - Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

09.30 Mass: Birthday Blessing & Thanksgiving for Joel

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Fri 15th -The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

09.30 Mass: Rita Fahy RIP **10:00 Divine Mercy & Benediction**

SAT 16th - Saint Stephen of Hungary;

9.30 Mass: Greta Murray RIP

18:30 Mass: First Mass of Sunday 20th in Ordinary

Kaysia Gordon RIP

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: gregoryackron@rcaos.org.uk.

Please Pray for the wellbeing of:

Ann Baker, Henry & Philomena Hutcheon, Nkechi Roberts, Margaret Doherty, Kathleen Edkins, Germani Vemalaragni, Steven Pearce, Carol Bonehill and Kamila Silke, Fr Luke Marappillil. Elizabeth De Masi, Matilda Ogutu.

Please Pray for those who have died recently:

Francis Ighodard Okoh, Margaret Healy, Thomasina French, Rose Green, Margaret Fokuo-Boampong, Elaine Duncan, Patrick Watts, Beth Neavyn, Adam Taylor, Ben Ntiamoah, Fr Michael Kouadjo (Pauline's brother), James (Jim) Darmody, Ann Many-Rollings, Giorgina Mabea, Albert James McElrov

Sick & Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Gregory know and he will take them Holy Communion.

Confirmation 2025

Our Next meeting for rehearsal is on Saturday 06th September at 17.00pm

Candidates will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, 12th of September at 19:00pm

Catholic Women Praying Together (CWPT)

Join **CWPT Group** at **Our Lady & St. Philp Neri Church** every 4th. Sunday the of the Month. See you all there.

Dates are as follows:

August 24th - to be confirmed September 28th October 26th November 23rd December (No meeting)

Catholic Institute Training and Workshops

Every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our school, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan

Sydenham Catholic Social Club

Just nearby in Watlington Grove - 2 minutes walk. Available for hire at weekends, during the week for celebrations, funerals, any special occasions or business use. Call Mags on 07930 8899632

The Club opens for drinks and socialising with friends at weekends. Come and join us on Fridays at 7-11pm, Saturdays 4pm to 12.00am (live music) and Sundays 12.00 noon - 11pm

Our Lady And St. Philip Neri Nursery is starting in

September 2025. Places are available for:

Full Time Hours 8:45am - 3:30pm

Part Time Mornings 8:45am - 11:45pm

Part Time Afternoons 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Check to see if you are eligible at www.gov.uk/30-hours-

free-childcare

To visit the school, please contact the school office on **02087784386** or send an email to **Admin@olspn.co.uk**

Employment Opportunity at SPUC

Join the Pro-Life Mission—SPUC Education Officer (England).

The SPUC is hiring a full-time Education Officer, based in London with travel across England. Help bring the Pro-life message to Schools and communities through engaging talks and outreach. A passion for life and youth engagement essential.

To apply or find out more, visit spuc.org.uk/joinourteam

Day of Retreat for Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist in Archdiocese of Southwark

To be held Saturday 18 October in St Stephen's Church, Welling and 25th October at Bishop Grant School in Streatham

Deadline for registration Mon 29 Sept at: evsouth@rcaos.org.uk. Notice in church porch

CHURCH FAIR and FUN DAY RAFFLE TICKETS

Have you taken your Raffle Tickets yet? £1 per ticket, £5 per book. You can buy them yourselves or sell them to friends and family.. Money and counterfoils to be returned the first week in September. Please support your parish. Thank you.

OLSPN CHURCH FAIR AND FUN DAY

Date: 20th. September, 2025. Come one, come all. The Parish Raffle will be drawn with a first prize of £500! Plus lots of other prizes. **Items needed**

Bottles, (full ones please) : champagne to

Ketchup! Plus other items:

for the Annual Fair:

Unwanted gifts, Toys & Games, Jewellery Bric-a-brac, Perfumes, Household Items etc PLEASE LEAVE ALL DONATIONS IN THE BOXES PLACED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH.

Offertory: Gift Aided: £185, Not Gift Aided: £382

Second Collection: £ 0.00 Gift Aided None Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 46,

Sun 09.30: 75, 11.00: 82

Second Collection

Last week: None This week:

Next week: Parish Development Fund (Gift Aided)

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, using the white envelopes at the back of the church, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated.

Card: Card Machine in Church Foyer or www.olspn.church

Standing Order: Email Treasurer for details. **Cheque**: Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

Contact

David Simpson Treasurer:

sydenhamtreasurer@rcaos.org.uk

Steven Pearce Secretary: Mon (9am-3pm), Wed, Thur, Fri

(9am-12noon) sydenham@rcaos.org.uk

Margaret Doherty Catholic Club: 07930 88 9632

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen

FIRST READING - Wisdom 18:6-9

That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers .

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The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 32

R. Blessed the people the LORD has chosen as his heritage.

- Ring out your joy to the LORD, O you just; for praise is fitting from the upright. Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he has chosen as his heritage.
- Yes, the LORD'S eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their soul from death, to keep them alive in famine.
- Our soul is waiting for the LORD.
 He is our help and our shield.
 May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.

SECOND READING - Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.

Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, 'Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.' He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. Alleluia.

GOSPEL - Luke 12:32-48

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for all?' And the Lord said, 'Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that servant says to himself, "My master is delayed in coming", and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his master's will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the communion in your Sacrament that we have consumed, save us, 0 Lord, and confirm us in the light of your truth. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen