

31st August 2025: © 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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9.30am Entrance: L625, Offertory: L604, Post-Communion: L662, Recessional: L970 .

11.0am Gathering:970 Entrance:974, Kyrie:936, Gloria: 489, Gospel Acc:820, Offertory:924/929, Memorial Accl.ⁿ Save us Saviour, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion:922, Post communion: 892, FINA:325.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 30th- Saint Margaret Clitherow - Martyr

9.30 Mass:

18:30 First Mass of Sunday 22nd in Ordinary Time:

SUN 31st 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

09.30 Mass: Tony Rawsthorne -Wellbeing

MON 1st -

09.30 Mass: FR Louis Fitzmaurice

10.00 Rosary

TUES 2nd -

09.30 Mass: Stella & Julian Gracy RIP

10:00 Rosary

WED 3rd - Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

09.30 Mass: Margaret Healey RIP

10:00 Rosary

THURS 4th -

09.30 Mass: Rita & Joe Micallef

10:00 Rosary

Fri 5th- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

09.30 Mass: Mary & Albert Gracey RIP

10:00 Divine Mercy & Benediction

SAT 6th -

9.30 Mass:

18:30 Mass: First Mass of Sunday 23rd in Ordinary Time

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, Kamila Silke, Fr Luke Marappillil. Elizabeth De Masi, Matilda Ogutu, Tony Rawsthorne.

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 Manly-Rollings, Giorgina Mabea, Albert James McElroy, Etelvina Rodrigues.

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 of the Month, after 11 am Mass. See you all there.

Dates are as follows:

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

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers: The new Rota is now available in the Church porch for those who have not received it via email

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 for the Annual Fair:**

Bottles, (full ones please) : champagne to Ketchup! Plus other items:

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: £159, Not Gift Aided: £382
Second Collection: £0.00
Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

Mass Count: Sat 6.30:37 ,
Sun 09.30: 86, 11.00: 108

Second Collection

Last week: None

This week: None

Next week: None

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 (9^{am}-3^{pm}), Wed, Thur, Fri (9^{am}-12^{noon}) sydenham@rcaos.org.uk
Margaret Doherty Catholic Club: 07930 88 9632

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

COLLECT

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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 – Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

My son, perform your tasks in meekness; then you will be loved by those whom God accepts. The greater you are, the more you must humble yourself; so you will find favour in the sight of the Lord. For great is the might of the Lord; he is glorified by the humble. The affliction of the proud has no healing, for a plant of wickedness has taken root in him. The mind of the intelligent man will ponder a parable, and an attentive ear is the wise man's desire.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Psalm 67

R. In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor.

1. The upright shall rejoice at the presence of God;
they shall exult with glad rejoicing.
O sing to God; make music to his name.
The LORD is his name. **R.**
2. Father of orphans, defender of widows:
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the desolate a home to dwell in;
he leads the prisoners forth into prosperity. **R.**
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain;
when your heritage languished, you restored it.
It was there that your flock began to dwell.
In your goodness, O God, you provided for the poor. **R.**

SECOND READING – Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Brothers and Sisters: You have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are

enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia.

GOSPEL – Luke 14:1, 7-14

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully.

Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honour, saying to them, 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honour, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, "Give your place to this person", and then you, with shame, will take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher." Then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.'

He said also to the man who had invited him, 'When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends, or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbours, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacred offering, O Lord, confer on us always the blessing of salvation, that what it celebrates in mystery it may accomplish in power. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, we beseech you, Lord, that, being the food of charity, it may confirm our hearts and stir us to serve you in our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen