

28th September 2025: © 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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9.30am Entrance: L725, Offertory: L607, Post-Communion: L625, Recessional: L 788.

11.0am Gathering:475, Entrance:886, Kyrie:936, Gloria: 489, Gospel Acc:820V1&2, Offertory:888/ Memorial Accl:761ⁿ Save us Saviour, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion:, 806, Post communion: 795, FINA:969.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 27th-Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest, Memorial

9.30 Mass: Susan Feore RIP

18:30 First Mass of Sunday: 26th in Ordinary Time

SUN 28th:26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

09.30 Mass: Silvia & Penny Taylor RIP

11.00 Mass:

MON 29th- Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

09.30 Mass: Obinna Maduaka - Birthday Blessings

10.00 Rosary

TUES 30th - Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor, memorial

09.30 Mass:

10:00 Rosary

WED 1st - Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor

09.30 Mass:

10:00 Rosary

THURS 2nd - The Holy Guardian Angels, Memorial

09.30 Mass: Franklyn Manoharan -Birthday

10:00 Rosary

Fri 3rd-

09.30 Mass:

10:00 Divine Mercy & Benediction

SAT 4th - Saint Francis Assisi, Memorial

9.30 Mass: Deceased members of the Cairns & Mcphillips family

18:30 Mass: First Mass of Sunday 26th 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, Ann Maria Jalees.

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.

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

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025, 21st -25th October Cost £399 Adult; £199 Children under 16's.

A Pilgrimage trip with a number of places left. Cost include return flight from Stansted half board accommodation, transport from/to Lourdes. £70 single supplement. Children under 16 go for £199. For more details contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, Dartford@rcaos.org.uk, Tel: 01322220075. Fr. Henry Mukasa will also be leading the pilgrimage.

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

"Hospital Chaplaincy Volunteers - is this for you?"

The chaplaincy at Lewisham Hospital is currently looking to recruit more volunteers to visit patients on the wards, and a training course is due to start in mid-October. If you are interested in knowing more, please email Rev Emmanuel at ekormi@nhs.net, or call the Chaplaincy on 020 8836 6831. Gwen Chiosso from St Stephen's parish in Welling has written an article about her experience at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Woolwich, which can be found here: <http://www.saintstephens.co.uk/blog/hospital-chaplaincy->

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO HELPED TO MAKE THE FAIR A SUCCESS.

HELPERS AND ATTENDEES ALL PLAYED THEIR PART IN MAKING IT ALL HAPPEN.

The School Band also played their part and added to the fun atmosphere. And a big thank you to the School for letting us use their premises to raise money for much needed church funds. Yes, the fair and raffle together raised over £1500.

Thank you to everyone.

Building A Better Marriage day for the Lewisham Deanery Saturday 4th October 2025 9.30am - 4.30pm Building a better Marriage in Catford

Treat yourselves to some time together! This day, held at **Holy Cross, 208 Sangley Rd, Catford, SE6 2JS** starting at **9.30am until 4.30pm**, is a day in which married couples can privately explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into the communication and the call of the Church to the married. There is no charge for this course. **Booking is essential** - please contact Carole on mflkent@rcaos.org.uk or phone 07983 524 727

Offertory: Gift Aided: £160, Not Gift Aided: £352
Second Collection: £216 Gift Aided
Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 55
Sun 09.30:92 , 11.00:114

Second Collection

Last week: Home Mission - None Gift Aided

This week: None

Next week: Catford Harvest Feast Day

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:
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

COLLECT

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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 – Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Thus says the LORD, the God of hosts:

‘Woe to those who are at ease in Sion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria.

‘Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.’

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Psalm 145

R. My soul, give praise to the LORD.

1. It is the LORD who does justice to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the LORD who sets prisoners free. R.
2. It is the LORD who opens the eyes of the blind,
the LORD who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the LORD who loves the just,
the LORD who protects the stranger. R.
3. The LORD upholds the orphan and the widow,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The LORD will reign for ever,
your God, O Sion, from age to age. R.

SECOND READING – 1 Timothy 6:11-16

O man of God, pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time – he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has

immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. Alleluia.

GOSPEL – Luke 16:19-31

At that time: Jesus said to the Pharisees, ‘There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not do so, and none may cross from there to us.” And he said, “Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house – for I have five brothers – so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.” But Abraham said, “They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.” And he said, “No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.”’

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing may be laid open before us. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen