NEWS LETTER

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26th October 2025: © 30th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass book: P 155 Preface: II, P66 Eucharistic Prayer:III , P27

9.30am Entrance: L934, Offertory: L609, Post-Communion: L892, Recessional: L744

11.0am

Gathering529:, Entrance:715, Kyrie:936, Gloria: 998, Gospel Acc:820, Offertory:871/813, Sanctus 576, Memorial Accl:ⁿ 567, When we eat this bread, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion:,339, Post communion: 892, FINA:355

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	Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days
SAT 25 09.30 18.30	Anthonia Ogun –Thanksgiving
SUN 26 9.30 11:00	ith: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mass: Maureen Mitchell RIP Mass: Fr. Gregory's Intentions
09.30 10.00	8th- Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast Mass: Anthonia Ogun -Special Intentions Rosary
WED 29 09.30 10.00	
THUS 3 09.30 10:00	Mass: The Sweeney Lynch Family
FRI 31s 09.30 10:00	t - Mass: Christopher Goodwin RIP Rosary
SAT 1st 09.30	Mass: Deceased members of Cairns & McPhillips family
18.30	Mass: First Mass of All Saints Denise Sullivan - Healing
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Mass: Forgotten Dead of the Parish

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.**

Mass: The Parish community Intentions

SUN 2nd - All Saints

9.30

11.00

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,

Please Pray for those who have died recently:

Francis Ighodard Okoh, Margaret Healy, Thomasina French, Rose Green, Fr Michael Kouadjo (Pauline's brother), James (Jim) Darmody, Ann Manly-Rollings, Giorgina Mabea, Albert James McElroy, Etelvina Rodrigues, Ann Maria Jalees, Sam Lowell, Tony Rawsthorne, Adam Taylor.

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:

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

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

The new Rota is now available in the church porch for those who have not received one via email.

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

"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://

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

You are invited to bring lists of departed loved ones whom we will remember at Masses throughout November.

There is a yellow box on the table at the back of the Church in which you can place the names of loved ones you wish to be remembered.

MEETINGS FOR PARISH CATECHISTS

Friday 21st November - 7.30 p.m. Theme: The fundamental tasks of Catechesis

Join us in person at: House 38 Ryefield Road Upper Norwood London SE19 30U

WIN A TRIP TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Irish Centre Free Prize draw. Prize for one person includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flights up to €300.To enter go to prize draw page on website www.med-irishcentre.com

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Coffee Morning

Every 1st Sunday of the Month after 9.30am Mass. Next on the **2nd November 2025**. See you all there.

Offertory: Gift Aided: £149, Not Gift Aided: £342

Second Collection: £323.00 Not Gift

Aided

Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 42

Sun 09.30: 98, 11.00: 112

Second Collection

Last week: World Mission(Missio) Not Gift Aided

This week: None

Next week: PACT (Prisoners) Not Gift Aided

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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Fri (9^{am}-12^{noon})

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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 35:15b-17, 20-22b

The Lord is the judge, and with him is no partiality. He will not show partiality in the case of a poor man; and he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan or the widow when she pours out her story. He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds, and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord; he will not desist until the Most High visits him and does justice for the righteous and executes judgement. And the Lord will not delay.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 33

R. The lowly one called, and the LORD heard him.

- I will bless the LORD at all times, praise of him is always in my mouth.
 In the LORD my soul shall make its boast; the humble shall hear and be glad.
- 2. The LORD turns his face against the wicked to cut off their remembrance from the earth. When the just one cries out, the LORD hears, and rescues him in all his distress.
- 3. The LORD is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The LORD ransoms the souls of his servants. All who trust in him shall not be condemned.

SECOND READING - 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will

award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen .

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.

GOSPEL - Luke 18:9-14

At that time: Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 'Two men went up into the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: "God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, we pray, 0 Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen