# **NEWS** LETTER

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## 5th October 2025: © 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass book: P 146 Preface: , P Eucharistic Prayer: , P

**9.30**am **Entrance**: L708, Offertory: L608, Post-Communion: L961, Recessional: L366

11.0am

Gathering:869, Entrance:708, Kyrie:936, Gloria: 489, Gospel Acc:820V1&2, Offertory:971/608, Memorial Accl: Save us Saviour, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion:, 433, Post communion: 871, FINA:966.

## Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

### **SAT 4th-Saint Francis Assisi, Memorial**

**9.30** Mass: Deceased members of the Cairns &

McPhillips family

18:30 First Mass of Sunday: 27th in Ordinary Time

## **SUN 5th:26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**09.30** Mass: Matthew—Well Being

11.00 Mass:

**13.00 Mass:** Ghanainan Chaplaincy

### MON 6th-

**09.30** Mass: Zachariah Maduka-Birthday Blessings

**10.00** Rosary

## TUES 7th - Our Lady of Rosary - Memorial

**09.30** Mass: Mary O'Driscoll -special Intention

**10:00** Rosary

### WED 8th -

09.30 Mass:

**10:00** Rosary

## THURS 9th - Saint John Henry Newman, Priest. Feast

09.30 Mass:

**10:00** Rosary

Fri 10th-

**09.30 Mass:** Rev Geoffrey Winchester RIP

Helen Hector -Birthday Blessings

10:00 Divine Mercy & Benediction

### **SAT 11th -**

9.30 Mass:

18:30 Mass: First Mass of Sunday 28th in Ordinary

Time

Maria Etelvina Rodrigues RIP

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: <a href="mailto:gregoryackron@rcaos.org.uk">gregoryackron@rcaos.org.uk</a>.

## 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, Sam Lowell, Bernadette Murray.

### 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 26<sup>th</sup> November 23<sup>rd</sup> 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: <a href="https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan">https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan</a>

## **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 <a href="mailto:ekormi@nhs.net">ekormi@nhs.net</a>, 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: <a href="http://www.saintstephens.co.uk/blog/hospital-chaplaincy-">http://www.saintstephens.co.uk/blog/hospital-chaplaincy-</a>

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

## HELPERS AND ATTENDESS 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.

### 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.

### **Ghanaian Catholic Chaplaincy Autum Celebration Mass**

Autum is a period of blessing, plentiful and bounty. To mark this period, the Gananian Catholic Chaplaincy is celebrating Autum mass on the 5th October 2025 at 2pm. All are cordially invited.

For any Inquiry, contact the Chaplain Fr Michael

Tel: 07852578952

**Offertory**: Gift Aided: £162, Not Gift Aided: £360

Second Collection: £ Gift Aided

Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

**Mass Count**: Sat 6.30: 31

Sun 09.30: 103, 11.00: 94

### Second Collection

Last week: None

This week: Caford Harvest Feast Day

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 (9am-3pm), Wed, Thur,

Fri (9<sup>am</sup>-12<sup>noon</sup>)

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### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 - Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save? Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. And the LORD answered me: 'Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end — it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. 'Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.'

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

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 94**

## R. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'

- Come, let us ring out our joy to the LORD; hail the rock who saves us.
   Let us come into his presence, giving thanks; let us hail him with a song of praise.
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   Let us come into his presence, giving thanks; let us hail him with a song of praise.
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
  'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
  as on that day at Massah in the desert
  when your forebears put me to the test;
  when they tried me, though they saw my work.'

### **SECOND READING -** 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved: I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a

spirit not of fear, but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God,

Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

### **ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

Alleluia, alleluia. The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you. Alleluia.

### **GOSPEL -** Luke 17:5-10

At that time: The Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' And the Lord said, 'If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Will any one of you who has a servant ploughing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, "Come at once and recline at table"? Will he not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterwards you will eat and drink"? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord.

#### Amen

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### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen