NEWS LETTER

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2nd November 2025: © ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Mass book: P 194 Preface: , P 71 Eucharistic Prayer: II, P24

9.30am Entrance: L373, Offertory: L600, Post-Communion: L910, Recessional: L 862

11.0am

Gathering824:, Entrance:371, Kyrie:936, Gloria: 998, Gospel Acc:710, Offertory:762, Sanctus 576, Memorial Accl:ⁿ 567, When we eat this bread, Rite of Peace: Peace is flowing, Communion:,837, Post communion: 965, FINA:854

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 1st-

09.30 Mass: Deceased members of Cairns & McPhillips

family

18.30 Mass: First Mass of All Saints

Denise Sullivan - Healing

SUN 2nd - All Saints

9.30 Mass: Forgotten Dead of the Parish11.00 Mass: The Parish community Intentions

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14.00 Mass: Ghanaian Chaplaincy

MON 3rd -All Souls Day

09.30 Mass: All Killed in 1939 War **11.45 Funeral** –Tony Rawsthorne

TUES 4th- Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Memorial

09.30 Mass: Holy Souls

10.00 Rosary

WED 5th -

09.30 Mass: Samuel Lowell RIP

10.00 Rosary

THUS 6th-

09.30 Mass: Vernon Pedlow RIP

10:00 Rosary

FRI 7th- Dedication of the Cathedral Church of Saint Georges

09.30 Mass: The Walsh family

10:00 Rosary

SAT 8th-

09.30 Mass: Anne Lzzard RIF

18.30 Mass: First Mass of Dedication of the Lateran

Basilica -Remembrance Sunday

SUN 9th- Dedication of the Lateran Basilica -Remembrance Sunday

9.30 Mass: Patrick Watts RIP

11.00 Mass:

13.00 Notre Dame Choir Mass of Remembrance

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,

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

Remembrance Sunday

Blessing at Hither Green Cemetery at **2.15pm**. Procession at **2.30pm**

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 3QU

A Day With Mary

A Day With Mary is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 8 November 2025 (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at https://www.adaywithmary.org/ or https://www.adaywithmary.org/ or https://www.adaywithmary.org/

First Holy Communion

Parents meeting—Thursday 13th November at 7.00pm in the Presbytery.

First Session—Sunday 16th November

Confirmation

First Session—Saturday 22nd November at 5.00pm in the Presbytery

Coffee Morning

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

Offertory: Gift Aided: £99, Not Gift Aided: £342

Second Collection: £391.00 Not Gift

Aided

Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £450

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 42

Sun 09.30: 91, 11.00: 98

Second Collection

Last week:

This week: **PACT (Prisoners) Not Gift Aided**Next week: **Archbishop's Appeal - 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

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

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, by whose gift we venerate in one celebration the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, we pray, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of the reconciliation with you for which we earnestly long. 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 - Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 23

R. Such are the people who seek your face, 0 Lord.

- The LORD'S is the earth and its fullness, the world, and those who dwell in it.
 It is he who set it on the seas; on the rivers he made it firm.
- 2. Who shall climb the mountain of the LORD?
 Who shall stand in his holy place?
 The clean of hands and pure of heart,
 whose soul is not set on vain things.
- Blessings from the LORD shall he receive, and right reward from the God who saves him.
 Such are the people who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

SECOND READING - 1 John 3:1-3

Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

GOSPEL - Matthew 5:1-12a

At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May these offerings we bring in honour of all the Saints be pleasing to you, O Lord, and grant that, just as we believe the Saints to be already assured of immortality, so we may experience their concern for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy and wonderful in all your Saints, we implore your grace, so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love, we may pass from this pilgrim table to the banquet of our heavenly homeland. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen