

23rd November 2025: © Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

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9.30am Entrance: L320, Offertory: L706, Post-Communion: L938, Recessional: L749

11.0am Gathering:819, Entrance326, Kyrie:488, Gloria: 489, Gospel Acc:72, Offertory:325/88, Sanctus 490, Memorial Accl:492ⁿ *WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD*, Communion:320 , Post communion: 804, FINA: 987

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 22nd- Saint Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

09.30 Mass: Augustine Adesite-Birthday Blessings

18.30 Mass: First Mass -Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

Time: Samuel Lowell RIP

SUN 23rdth- Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

9.30 Mass: Carina -well Being

11.00 Mass: Theresa Hector RIP

MON 24th- Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, Martyrs

09.30 Mass: Rita Barrett & Mavis Meek

10.00 Rosary

TUES 25th-

09.30 Mass: Biddy Gleeson RIP

10.00 Rosary

WED 26th -

09.30 Mass: Anze Pinter RIP

10.00 Rosary

THUS 27th-

09.30 Mass: Desiree Paraiso -Birthday

10:00 Rosary

FRI 28th-

09.30 Mass: Denise Sullivan -Well Being

10:00 Rosary

SAT 29th-

09.30 Mass: Giuseppina Demasi -well Being

18.30 Mass: First Vespers and Mass of Sunday First week of Advent

Joe, Bridie, Patricia, Steven Murray RIP

SUN 30th- First Sunday Of Advent

9.30 Mass: Patrick Flaherty RIP

11.00 Mass: Marlene Durkan-Birthday

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, Irene Clark.

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:

Today 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>

Dates & Events

14th December - Christmas festive feast after am Mass

14th December- Christingle 3pm

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.

First Holy Communion

First Session—Sunday 16th November

Confirmation

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

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Rota

Dec 25 - Jan 26 Rota is place in the church foyer.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers meeting Friday 28 November at 7.30pm in the church.

Please let Bernadette Mode know if you are able to attend. If you can't please feel free to send a question or comment to her so that she can bring it up. It will be great to see as many of you as possible

Coffee Morning

Every 1st Sunday of the Month after 9.30am Mass.

The **December** coffee morning after the 9.30 Mass will be held in **November!!**

Yes, the next 9.30 Mass coffee morning will be after Mass on **Sunday 30 November.**

It's the **First Sunday of Advent!**

Offertory:

Cash collections

Gift Aided: £107, Not Gift Aided: £333

Second Collection: £60.00 Gift Aided

Second Collection: £213.00 Not Gift Aided

Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £433

Monthly Card Donations

Gift Aided: £133, Non Gift Aided: £174

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 32
Sun 09.30:78, 11.00: 92

Second Collection

Last week: Catholic Youth Services - Gift Aided

This week:

Next week: Non

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})
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Margaret Doherty Catholic Club: 07930 88 9632

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever .

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. 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 – 2 Samuel 5:1-3

In those days: All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, 'Behold, we are your bone and flesh. In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, "You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel." ' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Psalm 121

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

1. I rejoiced when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'

And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

R.

2. It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD.
As it is decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
There were set the thrones for judgement,
the thrones of the house of David.

R.

SECOND READING – Colossians 1:12-20

Brothers and Sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the

firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.

GOSPEL – Luke 23:35-43

At that time: The rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!'

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there railed at Jesus, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.' And he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' And he said to him, 'Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray, that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly kingdom. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen