

*** 13 SEPTEMBER 2026 * TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

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The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

SUN 09:30	Entrance: 934, verses 1-5 Gloria: 489 Offertory: 967, verses 1-3 Post-Communion: 962, verses 1-4	Kyrie: GLENDALOUGH Gospel Accl. ⁿ : CELTIC ALLELUIA Sanctus: Holy, Holy: 576 GERMAN MASS Final: 865, verses 1-3
SUN 11:00	Gathering: 898 Gloria: 489 (MASS OF CREATION) Offertory: 775 + 244b Communion: 433	Entrance: 865 Gospel Accl. ⁿ : 820, SEEK YE FIRST Sanctus: 490, Holy, Holy, Holy Post-Communion: Hymn Sheet
		Kyrie: 488, LORD, HAVE MERCY (MASS OF CREATION) Memorial Accl. ⁿ : WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH Final: 849

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 12
09:30 Bridie Hogan - Wellbeing
18:30 First Mass of Sunday - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Erris Fernandes - Wellbeing

SUN 13 ✕ **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**
09:30 Rodneal Dyer - Wellbeing
11:00 Our Lady & St Joseph - Thanksgiving

MON 14 ✕ **THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS - FEAST**
09:30 Campbell Family - Wellbeing and Blessings
Rosary

TUE 15 ✕ **OUR LADY OF SORROWS - MEMORIAL**
09:30
Rosary

WED 16 ✕ **SS. CORNELIUS, POPE AND CYPRIAN BISHOP - MARTYRS**
09:30
Rosary

THU 17
9:30
Rosary

FRI 18
09:30 Isobel McPhillips Cairns - RIP
Exposition

SAT 19
09:30
18:30 First Mass of Sunday - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Deceased members of the Ingram Family - RIP

SUN 20 ✕ **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**
09:30 Nell Higgins - Wellbeing
11:00 Catholic Women Praying Together - Intention
12:30 Max Hero & Penelope Hero - Baptism

PRAYER REQUESTS

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:

Geoff Brady, Margaret Ann Baker, Henry & Philomena Hutcheon, Nkechi Roberts, Germani Vemalaragni, Carol Bonehill, Kamila Silke, Elizabeth De Masi, Matilda Ogutu, Irene Clarke, Bradley Clarke, Denise Sullivan, Bridget Carberry, Pat Travers and John Curran, Rodneal Dyer, Frances van der Walt, Kenneth Wood, Erris Fernandes, Nell Higgins.

Please Pray for those who have died recently:

Heather Browne, Sally Kennedy, John McSweeney, John Kennedy (Esther Bell's brother), Kathleen Edkins, Bruno Leonardi, Nathan Powell, Augustus Leroy Clarke, Zoila Noto, Margaret Ita Joyce.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend Mass because of poor health, please inform Fr Gregory and he will take them Holy Communion.

REPOSITORY

Cards and gifts are available in the Repository on **SUNDAYS**.

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

For further information please e-mail: cwptsydenham@gmail.com

GIFT AIDERS

When you use Gift Aid envelopes for first, special and second collections, you must write your Gift Aid number on the envelope. There is a supply of envelopes at the back of the church.

**** MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE FROM 15th SEPTEMBER ****

DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026

10:00 AM - 4 PM

On behalf of the Archbishop, we invite you to attend our twelfth annual Diocesan Day for Catechists at the Amigo Hall and St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 6HU

This Day is for all the catechists of the diocese, including those involved in Liturgy of the Word for Children and the RCIA process. Please bring a packed lunch, however tea, coffee and snacks will be provided.

Please see church notice board for more details!

FORTHCOMING READER'S AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS' FORMATION DAY

Saturday, 24th October 2026 - 10 am to 2 pm

**Location: Bishop Thomas Grant School
Beltrees Grove, London SW16 2HY**

The theme for the Formation Days will be:

"Nourished by the Word, Sent with the Eucharist"

The day will be open to all but intended particularly for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion serving in our parishes.

The day will provide an opportunity for prayer, formation and reflection upon these important ministries in the life of the Church.

Please see church notice board for more details!

CATHOLIC WOMEN PRAYING TOGETHER

Women's Prayer Event - NEXT WEEK!

Sunday, 20th September at 12:30 - 2:30 pm

Our Lady & St. Philip Neri Church Hall

Bring and share a meal

Theme: An exploration of faith through prayer

E-mail: cwptsydenham@gmail.com

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

On Sunday 20th September, we will celebrate Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate our faith in these lands, and our shared commitment to communicate the beauty and the joy of knowing Jesus Christ. Celebrating the Holy Father's first encyclical, the theme for this year is "Magnifica Humanitas" as the heart of mission. We can celebrate together the call the Holy Father has placed before us to live out our authentic humanity which finds its fullness in Christ. More details about this can be found on the Bishops' Conference website:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home-mission-sunday/>

The Second Collection next weekend 20/09, is to support the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Through the Mission Directorate, we support our Church in a wide field of service and mission here in England and Wales.

Please hold this important work in your prayers and give as generously as you can. Thank you."

Be sure of my prayers and every blessing

**Your brother in Christ
+ John**

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS

Pope Leo has just published a new encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas*. It speaks about what it means to be human in our time, especially within the age of AI. Join us for these 3 short workshops to introduce and explore aspects of this timely document with input, as well as reflection and prayer at St Aloysius Parish Hall, Phoenix Rd, London NW1 1TA, Mondays 21 Sep, 23 Nov, 7.30-8.45pm.

All are Welcome! Register to attend on <https://tinyurl.com/MoreHuman26> These workshops will also be online, email: info@fcjecojustice.co.uk for more information

HOW DO WE PRAY? HOW DO WE BUILD A BETTER, MORE FULFILLING RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?

You are warmly invited to join an experiential programme called *Teach Me to Pray* facilitated by Southwark Diocesan Spirituality Commission. The programme will be online on Tuesdays, starting 6th October from 7pm to 8.15pm. Following 4 online sessions there is an invitation to conclude the programme with an in-person Reflection Day in a diocesan Retreat Centre on 5th or 12th December. There is no commitment to attend all sessions - join us whenever you can. For details/ to sign up see: <https://aecsouthwark.churchsuite.com/events/tnpn4hqd> or email for further information spirituality@rcaos.org.uk

PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND - 2nd Collections

Thank you to all parishioners who have kindly helped to raise money for the repairs of the roof of the church and the house. The grand total sum raised so far is **£3,209.97**. This includes donations from a couple of parishioners who kindly donated a large sum of £500+ each towards the cause and the Youth Group Bake Sale raising **£113.60**, which has helped boost figures closer to the amount needed to cover the total cost of the repairs at **£5,222**.

There is still an outstanding amount of £2,012.03 to pay off. Over the next coming weeks we will continue to hold 2nd Collections for this cause and would be extremely grateful for your continued support towards the Parish Development Fund.

LAST WEEK

Offertory:

Mass Count Average: Sat 18.30 (59), Sun 09.30 (48), 11.00 (71)

Average Week Standing Orders £406

Gift Aided £148.90, Not G/A - lose £393.38

SECOND COLLECTION

Last week 06/09: None

This week 13/09: Catholic Education Service - Can be Gift Aided

Next Week 20/09: Evangelii Gaudium Sunday/Home Mission - Not Gift Aided

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'

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Churches TV Live Mass - Website: <http://www.olspn.church/>

ANNUAL SERVICE FOR THOSE HARMED BY ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Southwark will be holding their annual service for those that have been harmed by abuse on the 30th September 2026, at 6.30pm at St George's Cathedral. The service will be lead by Archbishop John Wilson and is an opportunity for the archdiocese community to express their solidarity and compassion to those that have been hurt by abuse and our commitment to building safe environments for all. Please attend if you are able.

FORTHCOMING REGIONAL MEETING OF MOTHERS PRAYERS

Saturday, 3rd October 2026, location: St. John the Baptist, Purley parish hall, CR8 2EF. The day will be led by Maureen Goldsmith, Mothers' Prayers, National Co-ordinator England and Wales. Mothers Prayers began over 30years ago when two grandmothers in a Kent parish began praying for their children. Through the work of the Holy Spirit and by word of mouth, groups of mothers throughout the world began meeting regularly to pray for their children and all children; priests are included in our prayers. Mothers Prayers groups may already be meeting regularly in your parish.



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

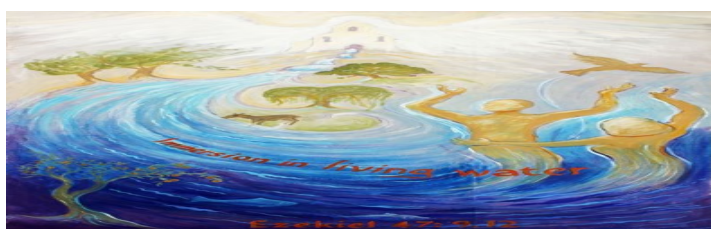
Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

For Sept 12th 24th Sunday Year A

In the Gospel today Peter asks how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me. Jesus answered "Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times". A parable follows but how much God has forgiven us and we must forgive our fellow servants in the same way.

It is important to be well-informed about what is actually happening. To find out what is happening in the UK seek out a showing of the People's Emergency Briefing and respond to it by writing to your MP. On the theme of Season of creation for 2026 "Living water" we are facing a crisis with lack of water and drought from the heat waves. Much water is wasted and too much money goes into the pockets of shareholders and not towards fixing our ageing infrastructure.

Please see church notice board for Season of Creation reflections and themes from 01 September 2026.



ITALIAN MEDICAL CHARITY

The Italian Medical Charity have inherited the work of the former Italian Hospital in London. After it was sold to the Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital, the proceeds are being used to help those of Italian origin who are in need of funds for medical treatment that the NHS has difficulty in providing or for their carers.

Parishioners of Italian nationality or descent may be able to receive help with their medical expenses.

Visit website at: italianmedicalcharity.co.uk or write to IMC, Kings Lodge, Kingsway, N12 0EW for details.



BECOME A CAFOD PARISH VOLUNTEER

Want to make a real difference in the world?

We offer a flexible role with full support, and you could:

- * Read a short, pre-prepared Family Fast Day appeal talk
- * twice a year
- * Inviting others to prayer
- * Raising awareness about international development

No experience needed—just a willing heart.

Get in touch at southwark@cafod.org.uk or call 07775704546 to find out more and be part of something meaningful.

Best wishes,

Celeste Iyinbo and Sarah Cadwallader

Community Participation Coordinators, Southwark (Part time)

Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB

CAFOD.org.uk

OPEN FOR DRINKS:

FRIDAYS 7 - 11 PM

SATURDAYS 4PM - 12 AM (LIVE MUSIC)

SUNDAYS 12 NOON - 11 PM

Location: Watlington Grove, SE26

Available to hire for celebrations, funerals and special occasions!

Call Mags for details on 0793088963

SACRED HEART

We meet on the 3rd Sunday of every month, and our next meeting will be in the presbytery after the 11am Mass.

All are welcome!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS

The new rota is now available at the back of the church for those who have not received one via email.