

*** 20 SEPTEMBER 2026 * TWENTY-FIFTH 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: 807, verses 1-4 Gloria: 489 Offertory: 604, verses 1-3 Post-Communion: 627, verses 1-4	Kyrie: GLENDALOUGH Gospel Accl. ⁿ : CELTIC ALLELUIA Sanctus: Holy, Holy: 576 GERMAN MASS Final: 762, verses 1-4
SUN 11:00	Gathering: 794 Gloria: HYMN SHEET (GLENDALOUGH) Offertory: 620 Communion: 631	Entrance: 821 Gospel Accl. ⁿ : 268, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, (GLENDALOUGH) Post-Communion: HYMN SHEET (MGLM)
		Kyrie: KYRIE ELEISON (GLENDALOUGH) Memorial Accl. ⁿ : WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD (GLENDALOUGH) Final: 880

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

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 & Penelope Hero - Baptism

MON 21 ✕ ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST - FEAST
09:30
Rosary

TUE 22
09:30 Samuel Lowell - RIP
Rosary

WED 23 ✕ ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA [PADRE PIO] PRIEST - MEMORIAL
09:30 Samuel Lowell - RIP
Rosary

THU 24 ✕ OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM - FEAST
9:30
Rosary

FRI 25
09:30
Exposition

SAT 26
09:30
18:30 *First Mass of Sunday - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*
Ellen Daly & Chris Mehmet - Belated Birthday Blessings

SUN 27 ✕ TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
09:30 Susan Feore - RIP
11:00 Anthony - Wellbeing

* MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE AS IN SPACES ABOVE AND THEREAFTER *

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, Bernard Anthony Kilmurray.

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.

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 - THIS SUNDAY!

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

Today, 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

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 30 years 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.

LAST WEEK

Offertory:

Mass Count:

Average Week Standing Orders £406

Gift Aided £130, Not G/A - loose £247.78

Sat 18.30 (50), Sun 09.30 (107), 11.00 (87)

SECOND COLLECTION

Last week 13/09: Catholic Education Service - G/A £130, loose £124.70

This week 20/09: Evangelii Gaudium Sunday/Home Mission - not G/A

Next Week 27/09: 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'

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Open Mornings

September 2026 Year 6 Students Open Mornings
by Appointment Only

Thursday 17th September, Tuesday 22nd September, Tuesday 29th September, Wednesday 30th September and Thursday 8th October

St Philomena's is a hugely successful, Catholic, non-selective, comprehensive girls' school for students aged 11-18 years.



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Catholic School Inspection Report 2025

9.00am - 9.15am Arrival & Registration (Oak Room)

9.30am - 10.00am Head teacher Address & Q&A (Chapel)

10.00am - 10.30am Short School Tour

10.30am Depart

Scan the QR code to book



Please note a maximum
of 25 families per morning

***Safer School Streets Scheme**
Parking on site via Shorts Road only

You will not be permitted to drive via Alma Road and Shorts Road into the school during the hours of operation: between 7.50am and 8.30am and between 2.45pm and 3.30pm on Monday to Friday inclusive. If you do, you risk receiving a fine from the London Borough of Sutton.

St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls, Shorts Road, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 3PS
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Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

For Sept 20th 25th Sunday Year A

In the Gospel today we learn that all are equal in the sight of God. All get the same pay. "I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you". But this is not the case in our world. The poor get poorer while the rich get richer. Pope Leo has written in Magnifica Humanitas that all should receive a fair wage. The poor need justice. Find out what you can do to help.

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



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BOOK YOUR PLACE ONLINE NOW

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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.