



St. Raphael's Church

Catholic Parish Church & Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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Sunday 16th January – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

9.30am Una Annett RIP

11.30am Kristiaan Corner-Munroe RIP

5.00pm Missa Pro Populo

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 17th January

10.00am

St. Anthony

The Sheridan And Horrocks family

Tuesday 18th January

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

The Holy Souls

Wednesday 19th January

12.00noon

Feria in Ordinary Time

Betty Curtin RIP

Thursday 20th January

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Adela Balinska RIP (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood concluding with Benediction at 12.00noon.

Friday 21st January

10.00am

St. Agnes

Scholastica & Rosa Ezechiel RIP

(A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat)

Saturday 22nd January

10.00am

Our Lady

Pat McCarthy RIP

Sunday 23rd January – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

9.30am Eleanor & Ron Cassidy & Jean Everett RIP

11.30am Missa Pro Populo

5.00pm Robert Brook RIP

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament



St. Joseph's - Our Catholic Primary and Nursery School

The Fairfield, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 2UP.

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Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast Club & After School Club.

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In today's Gospel we hear the account of Christ's first miracle. He performed this in order to grant a temporal favour, an earthly gift, to save the newly-married groom from embarrassment. It had the other effects of convincing his very recent disciples of their belief that he was the expected Messiah, and also it convinces all Christians of the efficacy of our Lady's intercession for us, but its primary purpose was to confer a temporal benefit on the groom. By this kind act he has shown us that he is interested in our earthly affairs also. He became man in order that we could become sons of God, he came on earth so that we could go to heaven, but this miracle at Cana proves that he has a

deep interest in our many and varied activities during the course of our journey to heaven.

He told us "Ask and you shall receive." That "shall" is very definite, our prayers will be answered, and what we should ask for is not only spiritual gifts, but the temporal aids also which we need. The "shall" applies to them too, as the miracle of Cana proves. We shall get our temporal requests, provided of course that they won't impede us on our journey to heaven. No kind father would give his child a gift that would injure him—God is the kindest of fathers and he sees what will or will not impede or endanger our eternal happiness. We can and should therefore make our temporal needs known to God in our prayers, confident that he will give us what we ask if it is for our real good.

But, someone may object: how often have I asked God for temporal favours I needed so badly, and my prayer was unanswered? Was it unanswered really? Perhaps you did not get the exact thing you asked for but you got something more useful, more necessary, something you never thought of asking for, but the good God saw your need of it. We have a father in heaven who really loves us, and cares for us, let us make our temporal, as well as our spiritual needs, known to him in confident prayer. Our requests will not go unanswered.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4.00pm and Thursdays following the 10.00am Mass concluding with Benediction at 12noon.

TEA AND COFFEE

There is tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday mornings. There is also tea & coffee after the midday Mass on Wednesdays.

HOSPITAL

If you, or a member of your family, are admitted to Kingston Hospital you need to inform ward staff that you are a Roman Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of someone in the hospital, please call the hospital main switchboard: 0208 546 7711. The switchboard will contact the Roman Catholic Chaplain.

If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Michael.

THE ROSARY

The Rosary is recited in the Church daily. Monday – Saturday before Mass and at 4.00pm on Sundays.

CONFESSIONS

Sundays - 9.00am – 9.20am & 4.30pm – 4.50pm
Saturdays -10.30am – 11.00am.

FAITH FORMATION GROUP

Our first Faith Formation session will take place today after the 9:30am Mass in the library. We will be following the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and all children who have made their first communion are welcome. The group will meet monthly on the following future dates. February 6th, March 13th and April 10th.

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

On Tuesday the Church begins the annual octave of prayer for Christian Unity. During this period we pray that divisions amongst Christians may be healed and that the one Church, founded by Christ, may be united.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Takes place on Sundays during the 9.30am Mass.

YOUR MARRIAGE: TIME FOR A SERVICE?

In the same way your car needs servicing to continue to run efficiently, so your marriage too will benefit from a 'service'. That's what 'Building A Better Marriage' is, a half-day online course taking place from 9am till 1pm on February 5. It is designed for couples married years or decades with average-to-good marriages. Booking is essential. More details: 07983 524 727

THE PARISH OFFICE

Please note the Parish Office is closed until Monday 31st January.