



St. Raphael's Church

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Sunday 5th February – 5th Sunday in Ordinary time (A)

9.30am Kirsty Bryant RIP

11.30am Ena O'Sullivan RIP

5.00pm Missa Pro Populo

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 6th February St. Paul Miki and Companion Martyrs
10.00am Mabel Ezechial RIP

Tuesday 7th February Feria in Ordinary time
10.00am Sydney Cudmore RIP

Wednesday 8th February Feria in Ordinary Time
12noon The Holy Souls

Thursday 9th February Feria in Ordinary time (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)
10.00am The Holy Souls
(No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament today)

Friday 10th February St. Scholastica
10.00am Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan RIP

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

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

Saturday 11th February Our Lady of Lourdes
10.00am Peter Freeman

Sunday 12th February – 6th Sunday in Ordinary time (A)

9.30am Kate Freeman

11.30am Missa Pro Populo

5.00pm Jane Green RIP

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Please note the
usual Thursday
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
has moved to
Friday for this
week.

THANK YOU

£616.86 was raised for our Crib Appeal this year and cheque for that amount has been forwarded to 'The Catholic Children's Society'.

A cheque for £320.04 has been forwarded to 'SPUC' following our recent 'White Flower Appeal'.

£216.71 was collected for the presentation to be made to Bishop Paul Hendricks.

£131.00 was raised in the recent raffle for the Christmas hamper – thank you once again to the generous person who donated it.

Thank you all for your generosity with these collections and appeals.

Following upon last week's teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavouring, as a preservative and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

This passage from St. Matthew's Gospel presents Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

SCRIPTURE STUDY AND REFLECTION THROUGH LENT

Save the dates – 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March in Alexander House at 7.30pm. More details to follow.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Have you suffered a divorce or separation? If so, there is a residential weekend to help you heal being held from 21st – 23rd April at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. For more details, ring Freda on 01322 838415 or email besouthofengland@gmail.com

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 - LISBON

World Youth Day takes place from 31st July to 7th August 2023. There are a few remaining spaces on the Archdiocesan group that is going. The price is £1,396, which includes flights, 3* B&B accommodation (shared room), transfers, WYD registration fee & meal vouchers. For full details and booking link, please visit <https://bit.ly/WYDSouthwark>. Please direct any queries toyouth@rcaos.org.uk

THE EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF BISHOP-ELECT PHILIP MOGER

The Episcopal Ordination of the Bishop-Elect will take place in St George's Cathedral on Tuesday 21st February at 12.30 pm. All are welcome to attend but you are asked to be seated by midday. For those unable to attend in person, it will be possible to join the service via live-stream at <https://bit.ly/EpiscopalOrdination23>

OF YOUR CHARITY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Pam O'Sullivan

Her Requiem Mass will take place here on 3rd March at 1.30pm

Peter John Walker

His funeral has already taken place

May they rest in peace.

FR. DOMINIC O'SULLIVAN RIP

This coming Friday is the fifteenth anniversary of the death of Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan who many of our parishioners will remember.

Fr. Dominic came to the parish in 1971 as an assistant priest to the then Parish Priest Canon Grady. When the Canon retired in 1986, Fr. Dominic succeeded him as Parish Priest, a post held until his retirement in 2002. After retirement he continued to live in the parish and until his health began to fail, he came to concelebrate Mass daily in the Church. He died on the 10th February 2008 and is buried in Waterville Ireland. Our Mass will be offered for him on Friday, May he rest in peace

INDUCTION OF FR. PETER SEBASTIAN AS PARISH PRIEST OF CHESSINGTON

Fr Peter, who many of you will know, is being inducted as Parish Priest of Chessington at St. Catherine's Church, Chessington on Saturday 18th February at 12noon, followed by refreshments.

Fr. Peter has extended an invitation to all parishioners who know him and would like to attend.

CONFESSIONS

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

THE ROSARY

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The First Holy Communion programme continues Saturday mornings at 10.30am

VACANCY

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School are looking to appoint a qualified Nursery Nurse to our Early Years Team. We are also looking for a Teaching Assistant to work in either a KS1 or KS2. Further information can be found on our school website: <https://st-josephs-surrey.secure-primariesite.net/vacancies/> Visits to the school are encouraged.