



St. Raphael's Church

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Head Teacher Mrs Lorraine Flower

Sunday 10th September – 23rd Sunday in ordinary Time – (A)

9.30am

The Rodricks family

11.30am

Richard Leeson RIP

5.00pm

Missa Pro Populo

4.00pm

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 11th September

Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am

H.M. Queen Elizabeth II RIP

Tuesday 12th September

The Most Holy Name of Mary

10.00am

In Thanksgiving

Wednesday 13th September

St. John Chrysostom

12noon

Peter John Kennedy RIP & Veronica Kennedy RIP

Thursday 14th September

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

10.00am

Richard Leeson (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)

Followed by Veneration of the relic of the True Cross and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood concluding with Benediction at 11.45am.

Friday 15th September

Our Lady of Sorrows

10.00am

Camilla Brace

11.00am

Requiem Mass for Noel Jordan RIP

A day of abstinence when we are asked to abstain from eating meat.

Saturday 16th September

SS. Cornelius & Cyprian

10.00am

The Sheridan family

Sunday 17th September – 24rd Sunday in ordinary Time – (A)

9.30am

Marina, Carlos, Nicholas & Daniel

11.30am

John Schembri RIP

5.00pm

Missa Pro Populo

4.00pm

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

THE ROSARY - The Rosary is recited in the Church Monday - Saturday before Mass
4.00pm on Sundays

TEA AND COFFEE – After the 9.30am Mass on Sundays and after Mass on Wednesday.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – during the 9.30am Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Sundays at 4.00pm and after Mass on Thursdays concluding with Benediction at 11.45am

CONFESSIONS

Sundays 9.00am – 9.20am,
4.30pm – 4.50pm

Saturdays 10.30am - 11.00am

2ND COLLECTIONS

Today- we welcome Fr. Rozario Arputhamthere who makes the annual Mission appeal in aid of
'**The Society of African Missions.**'

Thank you - for the £282.43 that was donated last Sunday for the '**Catholic Education Service.**'

Next Sunday - is Home Mission Sunday and there will be a 2nd Collection for the '**Catholic Agency for Support of Evangelization.**' This collection provides resources to support Home Mission – the spread of the gospel here in our own country.



THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

On Thursday we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The cross is the symbol of the Christian. It is our sign of our personal relationship with our Saviour. He died not just for people in general but for me. Some people treat the cross as a trinket, other people treat the cross in a superstitious manner. Some people will give a cross powers that belong to God and act as though a cross can defeat evil spirits. It is not the object that conquers evil, it is the power of Christ whose presence the object reminds us of, that conquers evil. He died making a willing statement of love, filling the world with the love he had for his Father and his Father has for him – and that love saves us from the horrors of evil and meaningless lives. Because Jesus died on a cross for us we are able to proclaim to the world - Jesus is Lord. His love made this possible. When we wear a cross we are saying, Jesus is Lord of our lives.

Our daily turmoil, our problems, our pains all take on an infinite value when we trust them to Jesus, when we unite them to his cross, to our cross.

Here, at St. Raphael's we are very blessed to have a tiny portion of the true cross which we will venerate after Mass on Thursday.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

If your child will be in Year Three or above in the Autumn term, they are eligible to join the First Holy Communion course which starts in late September/October. The course runs on Saturday mornings during term time and the First Holy Communion Mass will be in May 2024. Application forms are now available in the Sacristy. **Please ensure the form is completed fully and handed in with a baptismal certificate by next close of play today.** There will be an introductory meeting for parents on the 28th September at 7.00pm in Alexander House. If you have any queries, please speak to the catechists - Ginette Howell and Kate Freeman.

RUN THE ROYAL PARKS HALF MARATHON IN AID OF THE PASSAGE - SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER

This stunning autumnal route showcases the iconic sites of London through four Royal Parks – Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, St James's Park and Green Park. Run past some of the capital's most historic landmarks, including Buckingham Palace, Horse Guards Parade and the Royal Albert Hall. Although undulating in parts, the course is not hilly and is great for both experienced and first-time half marathon runners. Registration fee: £20.

Fundraising goal: £300. All money raised will go towards supporting those currently experiencing or threatened by street homelessness so that we can end homelessness for good. Sign up here:

<https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/events/royal-parks-half-marathon/>

For more information contact Prathiti Kumar
020 7592 1856 Prathiti.Kumar@passage.org.uk

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) INFORMATION SESSION

Are you interested in becoming a Roman Catholic or reconnecting with your Faith? Maybe you have missed out on one of the Sacraments? Just curious about the Catholic Faith? If you have any questions or are interested, or know someone who may be interested, there is an information session on Saturday 23rd September at 10.30am in the library. By joining the small and friendly parish RCIA group, there is no obligation to remain, you can leave the group at any time.

HOPE IN DEPRESSION

A 6-session course at Christ Church Surbiton Hill, designed to support and inform adults living with mild to moderate depression and anxiety and those who care for them. The course will explore the causes and symptoms, learn about brain chemistry and medication, hear about counselling and talking therapies and learn about ways that have been clinically shown to aid recovery and continued wellbeing. The course runs from the 26th September – 7th November (exc 24th October) 2023 from 7:30 – 9:30pm. For further information, please email the course leader Denise Morris on hopeindepression@ccsurbiton.org or call 07423 144803

Of your Charity,

Please pray for the repose of the Soul of

Noel Jordan

who died recently. His Requiem Mass will be on

Friday at 11.00am

May He Rest in Peace

Congratulations to

Harmony & Chloe

who were baptised here at

St. Raphael's recently