



St. Raphael's Church

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Head Teacher Mrs Lorraine Flower

Sunday 5th October

9.30am

11.00am

5.00pm

4.00pm Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Rosary Sunday (C)

The D'Souza, Rodricks, Noronha and Pereira Families

Rosa and Henry McGarry RIP

Missa Pro Populo

Monday 6th October

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Peter Sillem RIP

Tuesday 7th October

10.00am

Our Lady of the Rosary

Mariangela's intention

Wednesday 8th October

12noon

Feria in Ordinary Time

Bernadette Brittain RIP

Thursday 9th October

10.00am

St. John Henry Newman (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)

The Holy Souls

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood and peace concluding with Benediction at 11.50am.

Friday 10th October

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Agnes Barrett RIP

Saturday 11th October

10.00am

Pope St. John XXIII

Deceased members of Maria's family

Sunday 12th October

9.30am

11.00am

5.00pm

4.00pm Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Rosary Sunday (C)

Cherry Kenworthy RIP

James and Wanda Fernandez

Missa Pro Populo

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sunday - Rosary and Benediction at 4.00pm

Thursday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10.00am Mass, concluding with Benediction just before 11.50am.

THE ROSARY

The Rosary is said before Mass Monday – Saturday and at 4.00pm on Sundays.

TEA AND COFFEE

There will be tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass this morning. There is also tea and coffee after the 12noon Mass on Wednesday.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass today.

THE LITTLE CHERUBS

Our parent and child group 'The Little Cherubs' meet on Wednesday from 1.30pm – 3.00pm in the Hall.

CONFESSIONS

Sundays - 9.00am – 9.20am & 4.30pm – 4.50pm

Saturdays - 10.30am - 11.00am

Although Christ was speaking to the Apostles in today's gospel, His words apply to all of us, each in our own station in life. Most of us are inclined to forget God and his providence when our earthly affairs are going well - how often do we thank Him when we are enjoying good health, and when our home-life and business are going smoothly?

It is only when a storm arises in our lives that we think of Him. Remember that storm on the Lake of Gennesaret, the Apostles were rowing cheerfully across the lake, they were probably telling tall stories about the size and the number of fish they had caught there in their day. They may have been striving against one another to show who was the strongest oarsman. They did not seem to notice that Jesus was sleeping soundly in the bow of the boat. They thought of Him only when the storm arose and then when they realized that they were in danger they shouted to Him for help. They didn't realize that both the calm and the storm were under His providence.

Too many of us also, forget God and fail to give Him the thanks and the credit for our well-being which we owe him. We rush to Him only when trouble strikes. In His infinite goodness He often answers such panic prayers. If, however, we had thought of Him every day and realized His place in our lives with how much more confidence would we then approach Him in our hour of special need? If our own personal lives were stronger how much more readily would we accept the adversities and the trials that He sends us or allows to befall us for our eternal good? We can all ask God today to "increase our faith."

There are simple ways we can all help to make Christ known to our neighbour. There are pagans and unbelievers and there are many lax Christians all around us. We should and we can have an effective influence on them and on their eternal future, if we ourselves live our Christian lives as Christ expects us to do. A quiet word, a charitable gesture, a truly unselfish interest in a neighbour's troubles, coming from a sincere person can do more good than a series of sermons given by a renowned theologian in the parish church.

Look around you today. Think of your fellow-workers and those living in your own street. Many of them need help and need it badly. You can help them.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2026 - If your child is in Year Three or above they are eligible to join the First Holy Communion course which starts on the 18th October. The course runs on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 12noon during term time. Application forms are now available in the Sacristy. There will be an introductory meeting for parents on 8th October at 7.00pm.

Application forms must be returned by close of play TODAY.

ST JOSEPH'S CHOOl OPEN DAYS – St. Joseph's our Catholic Primary School are holding their open days for their Reception 2026 intake.

Tuesday 7th October at 9.30am.

Thursday 13th October at 2.00pm.

Wednesday 3rd December at 9.30am.

Please contact the school office to book a date.

Tel. 020 8546 7178 or email office@stjosephs.rbksch.org

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH ARCHBISHOP JOHN –

'The Rosary Challenge' invites you to pray a decade of the Rosary each weekday in October. The 'Mark 10 Mission' has created beautiful online videos for each mystery of the Holy Rosary, led by Archbishop John. To watch the videos and learn more, please visit themark10mission.co.uk or The Mark 10 Mission YouTube channel @themark10mission.

THE SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE - The Youth Service has a number of upcoming activities for youth and young adults. For regular updates on forthcoming events, sign up to its network at www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork. or email youth@rcaos.org.uk

A very big thankyou to everyone who helped, either on the day or in the run up to, making last Sunday's celebration of the 175th anniversary of the opening of our church, such a splendid event.

If anybody took any photographs of the Mass or lunch, we would very much like to share them on the parish website – could you please contact Michael in the Parish Office.

40TH ANNUAL ROSARY CRUSADE OF REPARATION -

The 40th Annual National Rosary Crusade of Reparation is taking place on Saturday. The procession begins at 1.45pm outside Westminster Cathedral and concludes with Benediction at the Brompton Oratory.

The Rosary Crusade is a public procession of reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In an ever-growing anti-Christian society, the Rosary Crusade is a wonderful opportunity for Catholics around the UK to publicly bear witness to the Truth and illuminate the streets of London with the light of our Faith.

ALL SAINTS PARTY – 1st NOVEMBER - Our annual family party will start at 5.30pm in the hall. There will be a Parish Mass at 5.00pm. Children, come dressed as your favourite saints! Followed food ,activities and fireworks. There will be two cake sales to raise funds for the party after the 9.30am Mass on the 19th & 26th October. Please come along and buy some cakes.