



St. Raphael's Church

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Sunday 2nd November 2025

5.00pm (Saturday Evening)

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

All Saints (C)

The Holy Souls

Donald D'Souza RIP

Ivan Flanagan RIP

Missa Pro Populo

No Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament today - Blessing of Graves - see page 2

(Thirty First Week in Ordinary Time)

Monday 3rd November

10.00am

All Souls Day

The Holy Souls

Followed by the blessing of the crypt and the graves where ashes are buried around the church grounds.

7.30pm

The Holy Souls

Tuesday 4th November

10.00am

St. Charles Borromeo

Teigan Freeman

Wednesday 5th November

12noon

Feria in Ordinary Time

Florentina Hely RIP

Thursday 6th November

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time (Latin Mass - Novus Ordo)

James Brady RIP

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

Friday 7th November

10.00am

The Dedication of St. George's Cathedral

Jane Dixon

Saturday 8th November

10.00am

Our Lady

Mike Barlow

Sunday 9th November 2025

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

4.00pm

The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica -Remembrance Sunday (C)

The dead of the two world wars and subsequent conflicts

Missa Pro Populo

Catalda Cammarata RIP

Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Sunday - Rosary and Benediction at 4.00pm (Not today -see note above) Thursday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10.00am Mass, concluding with Benediction just before noon.

THE ROSARY - The Rosary is said before Mass Monday – Saturday and at 4.00pm on Sundays. Children are also invited to gather in front of Our Lady's Altar after the 9.30am Sunday Mass for a decade of the Rosary.

TEA AND COFFEE - There is tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass on Sundays. 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS – Next Saturday in the Upper Room at 10.30am

RCIA – Saturday at 10.30 in the Library.

CONFESSIONS

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

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

During the year the Church celebrates one by one the feasts of the saints. Today she joins them all in one festival. In addition to those whose names she knows, she recalls in a magnificent vision all the others "of all nations and tribes standing before the throne and in sight of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands, proclaiming Him who redeemed them in His Blood."

The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching, and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. The Gospel of the Beatitudes, read today, while it shows their happiness, shows, too, the road that they followed; there is no other that will lead us whither they have gone.

The Church, after rejoicing today with those of her children who have entered the glory of heaven, tomorrow prays for all those who, in Purgatory await the day when they will be joined to the company of saints.

The celebration of Mass, the sacrifice of Calvary continued on our altars, has ever been for the Church the principal means of fulfilling towards the dead the great commandment of charity.

Daily in a special Memento in the Canon of the Mass, at which the priest remembers all those who have fallen asleep in the Lord, the priest implores God to grant them a place of happiness, light and peace. Thus there is no Mass in which the Church does not pray for the faithful departed; but tomorrow and indeed for the whole month of November, her thoughts are directed towards them in a particular fashion, with the maternal preoccupation of leaving no soul in Purgatory without spiritual aid and of grouping them all together in her intercession.

ALL SOULS – Tomorrow we celebrate All Souls Day. There will be two Masses, 10.00am and 7.30pm. Fr. Michael will bless the crypt and the graves where ashes are buried around the church grounds after the 10.00am Mass.

NOVEMBER BLESSING OF GRAVES - The annual blessing of graves will take place this afternoon - 2.00pm at Surbiton Cemetery and 3.00pm Kingston Cemetery. (Please assemble at the cemetery chapels.)

DEANERY REQUIEM FOR DECEASED CLERGY - The annual Requiem Mass for deceased clergy of the deanery will take place at St. Anne's Church, Kingston Hill on the 21st November at 7.00pm.

HOLY SOULS NOVEMBER ENVELOPES - The month of November is dedicated to prayer for the Holy Souls. The best way we can help the Holy Souls is to remember them at Mass - the greatest prayer that we have. There are envelopes available at the back of the church. If you write a list of the names of your loved ones, place the list in the envelope and hand it into the Sacristy, these names will be placed in a casket by the Altar and will be remembered at every Mass during the month of November. If you would like to place an offering in the envelope these will be used to offer Masses for the Holy Souls.

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

JOB VACANCY: AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN) - ACN is hiring a community fundraiser. For more information visit <https://acnuk.org/community-fundraisers-south-east>

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND ADVENT CALENDARS - There are a selection of Christian Christmas Cards and Advent Calendars for sale in the Hall, all proceeds go towards Church funds.

ST RAPHAEL'S 175TH ANNIVERSARY - To commemorate the parish's 175th anniversary celebration and to support the Lenten project in 2026, a booklet containing parishioners' recollections of the parish will be created. Over the years, the parish has seen priests come and go, had cause to celebrate many events, both religious and social, and taken pilgrimages together. If you would like to share your memories of these, a written piece of historical interest, or how the parish has touched your life in other ways, please submit any short anecdote, story, poem, memory or picture to alisonking52@gmail.com by the end of December. It goes without saying, that anything humorous and uplifting would be much appreciated.

2nd COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - The collection for the Archbishop's Appeal takes place next Sunday. Funds from this go towards three key mission areas: Youth and Evangelization, Our Faith in Action, and Clergy Care and Formation.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY AND PETITIONS - All children are invited to gather every Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in front of Our Lady's Altar to say a decade of the rosary.

Children are also warmly invited to write down their prayer intentions—or express them through drawings if they want—and place them in the special box at Our Lady's Altar. These heartfelt offerings will be presented on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 8th December.

A DAY WITH MARY – There will be a Day With Mary at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 8th November (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> or <https://eventcatholic.com/>

CONGRATULATIONS –

To Aline a member of the 'Mothers Prayer Group' who was Confirmed here at St. Raphael's on the 22nd October.

Also to Elizabeth and Alfie who were Baptised recently.