

St. Raphael's Church

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Sunday 31st May

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

The Most Holy Trinity- (A)

Donald D'Souza RIP

Missa Pro Populo

Zenobia & Jan Reviako RIP

3.30pm May Procession in honour of Our Lady

Monday 1st June

10.00am

1.00pm

St. Justin

Robert Lau RIP

Requiem Mass for Sheila Connolly RIP

Tuesday 2nd June

10.00am

SS. Marcellinus & Peter

Bridget Higgins RIP

Wednesday 3rd June

12noon

St. Charles Lwanga and Companion Martyrs

Nora & James McFadden

Thursday 4th June

10.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)

The deceased members of the Nary and Stanley families

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

Friday 5th June

10.00am

St. Boniface

Kate & Peter Freeman (wedding anniversary)

Saturday 6th June

10.00am

Our Lady

Peter Bevan RIP

Followed at 10.45am by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary during confessions

Sunday 7th June

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

Corpus Christi- (A)

Pep Salvatoie RIP

Missa Pro Populo

The Holy Souls

Following the 11.30am Mass there will be our Parish Corpus Christi Procession and Parish Lunch to which all are invited.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT –

Sunday - Rosary and Benediction 4.00pm (replaced this week with the May Procession – see note above)

Thursday - Exposition after the 10.00am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 11.50am.

Saturday - Exposition and Rosary during confessions.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY – Children are 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 today.

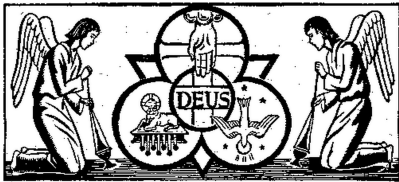
There will be tea and coffee after the 12noon Mass on Wednesday.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – There is Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass today.

FAITH FORMATION GROUP - Sunday 21st June, following the 9.30am Mass. For more information email dymphna.subash@gmail.com

THE LITTLE CHERUBS - Our parent and child group meet on Wednesdays 1.30pm – 3.00pm in the Hall.

CONFESSIONS - Sundays - 9.00am – 9.20am & 4.30pm – 4.50pm. Saturdays- 10.45am - 11.15am.



In today's feast we celebrate the fact that there is one God and in this one God there are three Divine Persons; the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three Gods, but one, eternal, incomprehensible God! The Father is not more God than the Son, neither is the Son more God than the Holy Spirit. The Father is the first Divine

Person; the Son is the second Divine Person, begotten from the nature of the Father from eternity; the Holy Spirit is the third Divine Person, proceeding from the Father and the Son. No mortal can fully fathom this sublime truth. But I submit humbly and say: *Lord, I believe, help my weak faith.*

All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. After Christ's Ascension the Holy Spirit, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler.

This feast, which falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, should make us mindful that actually every Sunday is devoted to the honour of the Most Holy Trinity, that every Sunday is sanctified and consecrated to the triune God. Sunday after Sunday we should recall in a spirit of gratitude the gifts which the Blessed Trinity is bestowing upon us. The Father created and predestined us; on the first day of the week He began the work of creation. The Son redeemed us; Sunday is the "Day of the Lord," the day of His resurrection. The Holy Spirit sanctified us, made us His temple; on Sunday the Holy Spirit descended upon the infant Church. Sunday, therefore, is *the* day of the Most Holy Trinity.

OUR ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY - will take place this afternoon at 3.30pm.

JOIN OUR NEW SINGING GROUP - All are invited to join our new singing group to explore the music of the Church's sacred liturgy - "a treasure of inestimable value" (Sacrosanctum Concilium, Vatican II). If you are interested in learning more about Gregorian chant, you would like to learn more about singing the psalms and the Gospel Acclamation, or you would like to improve your singing technique, you are most welcome. Enthusiasm is more important than experience! We try to rehearse weekly at 5.30pm on Saturdays. To join us, please contact Michael.J.Nicholson@hotmail.co.uk for more information and we can add you to the WhatsApp group.

THE WINTERSHALL LIFE OF CHRIST – 16th - 20th June. The Story of Jesus, Brought to Life. Discover the wonder of Jesus' life with an unforgettable event for all the family. The Life of Christ is a play like no other, placing you in the middle of an immersive theatre experience. Join over a hundred actors in the stunning grounds of Wintershall Estate as this magnificent story is movingly recreated with authentic detail in an epic open-air production. Watch the Wedding in Cana, the Feeding of the 5000 and the Last Supper unfold before your eyes. It's the perfect day out for families, faith groups, theatre lovers and schools. Tickets can be booked at <https://www.wintershall.org.uk/event/life-of-christ/>

CATHOLIC MOTHERS - Our Catholic Mothers group will resume in September. If interested in joining us for fellowship and prayer, please contact Hannah on catholicmotherssurbiton@gmail.com

Of Your Charity

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Sheila Connolly

Here Requiem Mass will take place here tomorrow at
1.00pm

May She Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

NEXT SUNDAY - we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi. We will have our parish procession of the Blessed Sacrament after the 11.30am Mass, which will be led by our First Holy Communion Children, this will be followed by a Parish Lunch to which all are invited.

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE - All are welcome to join the annual Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life on Saturday, the 1st of August, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. This pilgrimage aims to not only to act as a Reparation for abortion, but also, for all mothers and fathers facing this very difficult decision. The pilgrimage will commence with the 12pm Pilgrim Mass and the Angelus in the chapel. There will be a coach from St. George's Cathedral at 7.30am. For More information go to [athttps://prolifepilgrimage.org/how-to-get-there/](https://prolifepilgrimage.org/how-to-get-there/)

SPUC MEETING - We are holding our first Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) branch meeting on 10th June at 7.00pm, here at St. Raphael's, in the library. We will focus on current pro-life campaigns, the decriminalisation of abortion and the threat of assisted suicide. All are very welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Therese on 07984515947 or dwalker@visuals.plus.com.

MUSICAL EVENING - Another chance to hear Michael Bevan on the piano on Saturday 11th July at 7.00 pm in the Alexander House, with a programme including Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Rachmaninov, Debussy, Poulenc, Gershwin and Moszkowski. There will be an interval with refreshments, and a retiring collection for SPUC.