



St. Raphael's Church

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Sunday 25th October

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

4.00pm

Monday 26th October

10.00am

11.30am

Tuesday 27th October

10.00am

Wednesday 28th October

12noon

Thursday 29th October

10.00am

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

Friday 30th October

10.00am

Saturday 31st October

10.00am

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

Sunday 1st November

9.30am

11.30am

5.00pm

(No Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament today – Blessing of graves see Page 2)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Donald D'Souza RIP

Missa Pro Populo

Maria Laura Pradera RIP

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Feria in Ordinary time

Lynne Rocca RIP

Requiem Mass for Bridget Wahalatantri RIP

Feria in Ordinary Time

The Holy Souls

SS. Simon & Jude

Margaret Moor RIP

Feria in Ordinary Time (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)

Eileen Kelly RIP

Feria in Ordinary Time

Bartolome & Juena Capili RIP

Our Lady

Denis Mendonsa RIP

All Saints (A)

Sheila Kinsella RIP

Ivan Flangan RIP

Missa Pro Populo

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT –

Sunday - Rosary and Benediction 4.00pm.

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 and after the 12noon Mass on Wednesday.

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

FAITH FORMATION GROUP - Our Faith Formation group will meet following the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 8th November. 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 (term time only)

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

OCIA - In the library on Saturdays, 10.30am - 12.00pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Saturday, 7th November, 10.30am – 12noon in Alexander House.

In today's Gospel, Jesus summarises the whole law in two great commandments: to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. These commandments are at the heart of our Christian faith. Jesus reminds us that true holiness is not simply about following rules, but about allowing love to shape everything we do.

To love God wholeheartedly means placing Him at the centre of our lives, trusting in His providence and remaining faithful to Him in times of joy and difficulty. To love our neighbour means recognising Christ in others, especially those who are poor, lonely, suffering or forgotten. Our love for God becomes visible through our compassion, forgiveness, generosity and willingness to serve others.

As we reflect on this Gospel, let us also remember Saints Simon and Jude, two of the twelve apostles chosen by Jesus, whose feast we celebrate on Wednesday. They responded to His call and dedicated their lives to spreading the Good News. Their faithfulness reminds us that loving God requires more than words; it calls for commitment, courage and a willingness to serve, even when the path is difficult. Tradition remembers both apostles as missionaries who witnessed to Christ with great dedication.

Saint Jude, often invoked as the patron of desperate or difficult causes, encourages us never to lose hope in God's love and mercy. Saint Simon reminds us of the importance of faithful discipleship and belonging to the community of Christ's followers. Together, they inspire us to remain steadfast in faith and generous in love.

Their lives challenge us to ask ourselves: Do our words and actions reflect our love for God? Do we treat others with the dignity and kindness that we ourselves desire?

So as we contemplate today's Gospel may we also celebrate these holy apostles, may their example strengthen our faith and deepen our love for God and neighbour. May we never separate prayer from action or devotion from compassion. Through the intercession of Saints Simon and Jude, may we become faithful witnesses of Christ, loving God wholeheartedly and serving others with sincere and generous hearts.

THANK YOU – for £275.24 that was collected last Sunday for 'MISSIO'.

JOIN THE ST RAPHAEL'S CHOIR - We are looking for new, enthusiastic singers to join the parish choir, which sings regularly at the 9.30am Mass on Sundays and other feast days. All are welcome! We rehearse on Saturdays at 5.30pm for 1 hour and briefly before Mass on Sundays. Please email

Michael.J.Nicholson@hotmail.co.uk if you would like to join us.

A DAY WITH MARY - At Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 7th November. The Most Reverend Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster will be the Celebrant & Preacher at the 10.30am Cathedral Mass on that day. Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> Or see the poster in the porch.

Thank you to all those who helped arrange and supported last Monday's "White Mass" in aid of all who work in the health care profession.



You can now make your weekly donation to the Parish via our QR Code

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Blessing of Graves – Next Sunday - 2.00pm at Surbiton Cemetery and 3.00pm at Kingston Cemetery. Please meet at the cemetery chapels.

Fr. Michael will bless the interred ashes around the church grounds and the crypt after the 11.00am Mass on All Souls Day – 2nd November.

Requiem Mass for deceased clergy of the Kingston Deanery – here at St Raphael's on Wednesday 11th November at 12noon followed by refreshments in Alexander House.

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS MASS ENVELOPES – There are envelopes available at the back of the church. If you write a list of the names of your departed 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.

REMEMBERING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PASSING OF THE ABORTION ACT - Join March for Life UK on Tuesday 27th October 12-2pm in Parliament Square as we remember the anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act which happened on that date 59 years ago. Please don't bring posters as they will be provided. Stand with us as we remind our nation that abortion hurts the family. For further information contact info@marchforlife.co.uk or call 447773501721.

POETS, KINGS AND CONSCIENCE - songs from adversity, hymns to freedom: Another chance to enjoy a Musical Evening on Saturday 7th November at 7.00 pm in Alexander House, featuring soprano Margaret Nicholson, piano/viola/baritone Michael Bevan and Guy Pearson on piano with original music. Light refreshments will be served at 6.30pm and during the interval. Entrance is free and the retiring collection will support the work of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.