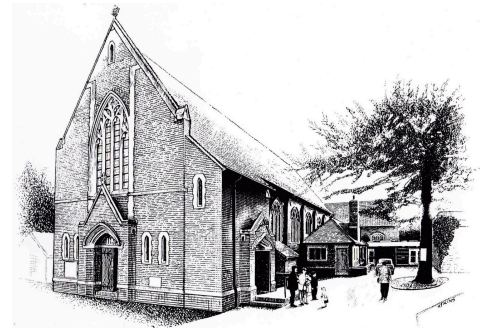


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21ST JANUARY 2024

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 3

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SACRAMENTS

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Want to learn more about becoming a Catholic? Please write/speak to the Parish Priest.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Collect form from priest after Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: See update re: course overleaf.

HOLY COMMUNION VISITS: Holy Communion is taken to the housebound regularly; please make contact with Parish Office if required.

CONFIRMATION: See update re: 2024 programme overleaf.

CONFESSIONS: **SATURDAYS 10:30-11:30 & 17:15-17:50** & at other times when a priest is in the confessional or by appointment.

MARRIAGE: Contact Office **min. six months** in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact Office if you or someone for whom you are responsible requires the Anointing of the Sick. In the event of urgent need (danger of death) telephone 020 8660 3815 (& leave a message if necessary).

DEVOTIONS & ACTIVITIES

HOLY ROSARY: First Fridays after the 10:00 Mass.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Saturdays after 10:00 Mass, concluding with **BENEDICTION** c.11:30.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Thursdays after 10am Mass. For further details contact bridget@bridgetslattery.co.uk.

YOUTH CLUB: Sundays in term-time, Parish Hall 16:15-17:45.

SOCIAL EVENTS

HCPT QUIZ: Saturday 27 January 2024 at 19:00.

Please pray for those who have recently died including Mark Roffey, Renato Corvaglia, and Eslind Cooper, and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Francisco Bautista, Penny Hanley, Charlotte Breen, Louis Baxter, Mary Sherry, Ruby China, Keith Wood, Mary Ockenden, Joseph Bones, Walter Minney, Fr Andrew Fernandes, Pamela Daly, Ken Poynter, John Edwards, William Lawlor, Shirley McFeely, and Stephen Freeman;

and also for those unwell: Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Douglas Johnston, Teresa Holmes, Ryan Baker, Michael Edwards, Neil Ockenden, Maria Valenti, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter, Canon David Caine, Dennis Hill, Freya Durrant, Nick Phillips, Anne Mawer, Margaret Swadling, Ian Stewart and Desmond Sheriff.

PREPARATION FOR FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Parents of children in Year 3 or above are now invited to register them for the next course, which begins in February. Please visit the parish website, click on [FIRST HOLY COMMUNION](#), read the information about the course and follow the instructions there, as soon as possible.

CONFIRMATION 2024:

The Preparation programme for Year 8s will begin on Tuesday 27th February and will run for eleven weeks (except the Easter holidays). There will also be a mandatory Retreat Day. The sessions will take place weekly on a Tuesday evening from 19:00-20:00 in the Parish Hall. The Confirmation Mass will be on Sunday 5th May at 15:00. To apply please ask one of the priests after Mass for an application form.

You can **donate** to the parish [via our website](#), via the collection at Sunday Mass, or by making a direct bank transfer to the parish bank account. Please **Gift Aid** if you pay UK income tax.

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Next Week 2nd Collection:

Racial Justice



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalm: Psalm 94(95):1-2,6-9

Second: I Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 21st January

**3RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

18:00 (Sat) Sheila & Paul
Bradshaw RIP

08:30 JFS Thomas Hensler
RIP

08:30 Michael Sheriff RIP

10:00 In Thanksgiving
(Dennis & Jenny Hopkin)

12:00 Int. Rowena Simon

18:00 All parishioners *

Monday 22nd January

07:30 Caroline Adams RIP

10:00 Alf Payne RIP

Tuesday 23rd January

10:00 Welfare Marcella
Murphy & family

Wed. 24th January

St Francis de Sales

07:30 Agnes & Thomas
Adams RIP

10:00 Michal Lisowski RIP

Thursday 25th January

*The Conversion of
St Paul the Apostle*

10:00 Baby Carina Rachel
Xavier RIP

Friday 26th January

Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops

07:30 Pauline Royle RIP

10:00 Welfare Laura Conlon

Saturday 27th January

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 Welfare Christine
Greenhalgh

Sunday 28th January

**4TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

18:00 (Sat) Margaret & Paul
Ryan RIP

08:30 JFS Monica Delia
Hazledine RIP

08:30 Michael Sheriff RIP

10:00 Deceased Catenain
Brothers RIP

12:00 June & Owen Simon
RIP

18.00 All parishioners*

*=NOT LIVESTREAMED



REQUIEM MASSES AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Monday 5th February at 10:00 - Es lind Cooper RIP

Wednesday 7th February at 12:30 - Renato Corvaglia RIP

May they rest in peace

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: This Sunday at the 08:30 Mass.

SUNDAY COFFEE: After the 10:00 Mass, hosted by the CWG.

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR PARISH PROPERTIES: The coming weeks will see the sharing of the results of a survey conducted in October (with report delivered in December) which involved assessment of the condition of the parish hall, church, priests' house, and other properties. Many thanks to those who have already come forward to join our Property Stewardship Group. If you have expertise and experience in the maintenance management of properties - any aspect! - and would like to be part of a Property Stewardship Group, please write to francismurphy@rcaos.org.uk.

JOHN FISHER CHAPEL: Every last Sunday of the month. Join us next **Sunday 28th January** after the 08:30 Mass in the Sixth Form block. For tea, coffee, delicious savouries, and cakes. All welcome.

NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION: Next week's collection will go towards supporting the work of the Archdiocese of Southwark in promoting racial justice in schools, parishes and in wider society.

HCPT GROUP 14 QUIZ NIGHT: Saturday 27th January 19:00 (bar opens at 6:30pm). Tickets £15 - include delicious platters of food and are available from Jane by emailing group14@hcpt.org.uk. Tickets are selling fast so please book ASAP.

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM: Last year we arranged a rota of volunteers to clean our church. They do an amazing job and we are extremely grateful: thank you! We would like **one more volunteer** to assist with the cleaning of the sacristy. This is a large area and requires another set of hands. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help; flexible as to day/time.

PURLEY FOOD HUB CAN YOU HELP? Volunteer drivers are needed to make deliveries to clients on Wednesday or Saturday mornings between 10:00 and 12:00. The deliveries are to clients in CR2 (South Croydon and Sanderstead), CR5 (Coulsdon), CR8 (Purley and Kenley), and CR4 (Waddon) post codes. Drivers are not committed to deliveries every week. On Monday an email is sent to all volunteer drivers asking for their availability over the coming week. If you confirm that you are available, you are sent the addresses of 2 (occasionally 3) clients the afternoon before the delivery. The pick up location is the URC Church adjacent to the Purley Hospital. Walking, carrying shopping bags, and using stairs involved. Recommended that you have one other person with you. If interested in helping please send an email to the Parish Office.

HELP FOR THE HEARTBROKEN: People suffering from relationship breakdown are the focus of Restored Lives, which runs online and face-to-face courses informed by Christian principles to help adults and their children deal with the trauma of separation and divorce. Their next online course starts on January 22; for details visit: <https://www.restoredlives.org>.