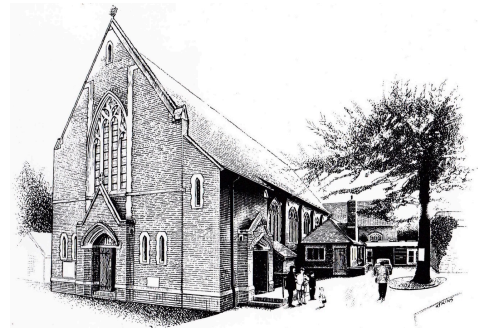


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1ST SEPTEMBER 2024

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 2

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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.

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

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

MARRIAGE: E-mail Parish Office min. 6 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact Parish 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).

Courses for First Holy Communion & Confirmation will be advertised in the newsletter & at Masses when registration is open.

DEVOTIONS & ACTIVITIES

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

BIBLE STUDY (MATTHEW): Wednesdays at 19:00, Parish Hall.

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

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Thursdays after 10:00 Mass.

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

FRASSATI YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (18-35): Write to purley@rcaos.org.uk to be added to WhatsApp group and/or mailing list.

SOCIAL EVENTS

FULL DETAILS (INC. DATES & TIMES) OF OUR COMING SEASON OF SOCIAL EVENTS TO BE SUPPLIED IN NEXT WEEK'S EDITION.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Jesus as “the pillar and ground of the truth” (1 Tim. 3:15). In the Church we learn to know, love, and serve God in this life, and be happy with Him forever in the next.

Want to discover God's plan for you, and the key to eternal joy? Join our post-summer programme of instruction by writing to Fr Francis or speaking to him after Mass.

“The hour cometh, and now is, when the true adorers shall adore the Father in spirit and in truth.” - John 4:24

Please pray for those who have died recently including: John Taylor; **and for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** Mary Panter, Margaret Edwards, Bernadette Blaquiére, Peter Oldham, Doris Thorne, David Wade, Teresa Snadden, David Reynolds, Eileen Richuis, Rev. Ken Bell, Joseph Molloy, George Ross, Josephine Phillips, Valentina Dunseath, Beryl Taylor, and Patricia Peacock; **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, Keith Ockenden, Maria Valenti, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter, Canon David Caine, Nick Phillips, Anne Mawer, Margaret Swadling, Ian Stewart, Mary Marshall, Fontana Maria, Derek Elliott, Maureen O'Rourke, Elzbieta Cedro, Maria Dellapina, Maureen Roffey, and Antonia Smith.

You can **donate** to the parish [via our website](http://www.johnthebaptistpurley.org.uk), via the collection at Mass, by making a direct bank transfer to the parish bank account, or by **scanning our QR code with your mobile** → Please **Gift Aid** if you pay UK income tax.



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2nd collection next week: Catholic Education



LAMP INTENTIONS

Sanctuary: Peace in the Holy Land
Risen Lord: Lewis Horner RIP
Our Lady: Private Intention
St Joseph: Fr M. Krychiwskyj RIP
St Thérèse: Liberty of the Church

Contact Parish Office to book weekly intention. **Suggested offering £10.**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 1st September 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18:00 (Sat) June Ferro RIP

08:30 JFS Mary Clarke RIP

08:30 Agnes Liddiard RIP

10:00 Mrs Lily Joseph RIP

12:00 All parishioners

18:00 Ambrose & Veronica
Joseph RIP

Monday 2nd September

07:30 Norman Luck RIP

10:00 Maritza Verdelli RIP

Tuesday 3rd September

*Pope St Gregory the Great,
Doctor of the Church*

10:00 Michael Frackiewicz
RIP

Wednesday 4th September

St Cuthbert, Bishop

07:30 Pat Agacy RIP

10:00 John W Bolton RIP

Thursday 5th September

10:00 Welfare of George
Beckensale

Friday 6th September

07:30 Deceased relatives of
the Phillips & Garner families
RIP

10:00 Int Toni & Anna Kowal

Saturday 7th September

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 Emilio Morgner RIP

Sunday 8th September

23RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

18:00 (Sat) Jane D'Souza
RIP

08:30 JFS Intention Fr David
Hunter

08:30 All parishioners

10:00 Mrs Annie
Pallivathukkal RIP

12:00 Beverley Niblett RIP

18:00 Peter Saunders RIP

CLERGY CHANGES: In the coming weeks, while we wait for the arrival of our new Assistant Priest, we will have a number of visiting priests helping with Mass cover on Sundays. This week we welcome Fr Joseph Donkor, who succeeded Fr Francis at St George's Cathedral; next week we will be welcoming Fr Richard Marsden (Diocese of Middlesbrough). On weekdays the parish will be a largely one man operation; those with urgent need will continue to be prioritised in responding to requests. Thank you for your patience.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK: Next Saturday, people from around the country and from all walks of life - including a number of our bishops - will be gathering in central London to take part in March for Life UK, an event witnessing to the dignity and value of the unborn. As Pope Francis has written, "*our defence of the innocent unborn needs to be clear, firm, and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development.*" Speakers at our Sunday Masses this weekend will explain briefly the nature of the event; see also www.marchforlife.co.uk.

CHURCH CAR PARK: A reminder that the new regulations go into force on Monday 9th September. Please take a copy of our brief Q&A sheet for answers to the most obvious questions about the new scheme, and follow instructions displayed.

CWG MEETING - 2PM, WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER: Tea and chat in the Parish Hall followed by fun and games organised by Alison. Meeting open to all ladies of the parish - all ages welcomed. If you are new to the parish, come and meet some of your fellow parishioners! Non-members will be asked to pay £4 on the door.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: School applications are changing. In most cases, parents will be expected to supply a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) rather than school-specific forms monitoring Mass attendance. The CCP provides a single, objective test for Catholic practice. As the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has explained, "*for the purposes of the [CCP], a person is a practising Catholic if they observe the Church's precept of attending Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation.*" Where a family does not appear to be practising the Faith to this standard, the CCP will not be issued. **There are two opportunities to secure a CCP** during face-to-face meetings with Fr Francis in the Hall in September:

- 18:30 - Friday 13 September
- 18:30 - Friday 27 September

You **must** attend one of these meetings if you wish to secure a CCP for your child.

PURLEY FOOD HUB: Please leave your donations in the Church porch or the JFS school Chapel. A list of the most needed items can be found here: purleyfoodhub.net

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME 2025: Details of the parish pilgrimage to Rome in September 2025, including booking forms, can be found in the narthex (paper copies) or online from Anthony R. Coles Travel & Conferences.

LAMP INTENTIONS: Write to purley@rcaos.org.uk indicating your chosen intention, preferred lamp, and preferred week (lamps run from the Saturday Vigil Mass for a week - see overleaf, bottom-right for options). Offerings may be made by the usual means; if you do not wish your intention to be named in the weekly newsletter, please mark as a **private intention**.

LEWIS HORNER RIP: The late Lewis Horner taught Physics and Computing at Thomas More Catholic School, and was for some years involved in the Parish Music Group. More recently he had been resident at Westside Nursing Home in Foxley Lane, and died at the end of June. His funeral will take place at St Andrew's Catholic Church in Thornton Heath on Thursday 5th September at 10:00.

MARY'S MEALS: The team at Mary's Meals would like to invite you to collect all your foreign currency no matter how old or obscure. In the coming weeks there will be opportunities to contribute foreign currency using special Mary's Meals envelopes available in the church entrance. Mary's Meals feeds over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education; by giving Mary's Meals your foreign currency you can help feed the next hungry child. *Mary's Meals will also take UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender.*