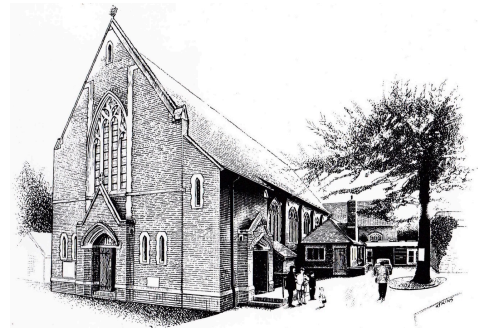


ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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25TH AUGUST 2024

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 1

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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): Resumes 4th September.

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

COMING SOON - DETAILS TO FOLLOW...

SEPTEMBER: Dinner & Dance.

OCTOBER: Michaelmas Fayre.

NOVEMBER: Scouts' Fireworks Night.

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: Michael Harrison, Michael Parkinson, Bernadette Pryor, June Murray, Mary Bateman, Sheila Dodd, Francis Bridgeman, Maureen Wellington, and Michael Frackiewicz.

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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LAMP INTENTIONS

Sanctuary: D.-J. Mercier RIP
Risen Lord: Private Intention
Our Lady: Persecuted Christians
St Joseph: Daniel Lopez RIP
St Thérèse: The Ayles family

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 25th August 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18:00 (Sat) Welfare Ann &
Alf Gladding

08:30 JFS Joe Molloy RIP
08:30 Tommy Sheehan RIP
10:00 Denis Hopkin RIP
12:00 Ambrose & Veronica
Joseph RIP
18:00 All parishioners

Monday 26th August *Bl. Dominic Barberi*

07:30 Peter & Laurette Kane
& dec. family members RIP
10:00 Denis Hopkin RIP
(Odile)

Tuesday 27th August *St Monica*

10:00 Tom Organ RIP

Wednesday 28th August *St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor*

07:30 Lily & Pat Ryan RIP
10:00 Margaret Edwards RIP

Thursday 29th August *The Decollation of St John the Baptist*

10:00 Piero Delgrosso RIP

Friday 30th August

*Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne
Line, and Margaret Ward,
Martyrs*

07:30 Caroline Adams RIP
10:00 Maria Teresa Nunes
RIP

Saturday 31st August *The Blessed Virgin Mary*

10:00 Blasco Andrade
RIP

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



Funeral Mass

at St John the Baptist
Thursday 29 August - 12:00

John Taylor RIP

CLERGY CHANGES: Fr David said his last Masses in Purley last weekend; we wish him well in his new posting in Wimbledon. 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. During the week 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!

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS - CERT. OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: School applications are changing, such that in most cases parents will be expected to supply a Certificate of Catholic Practice rather than school-specific forms monitoring Mass attendance. As the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has explained in its guidance for clergy, "for the purposes of the Certificate of Catholic Practice, a person is a practising Catholic if they observe the Church's precept of attending Mass on Sundays and holidays of obligation." Where clergy do not have reason to believe that a family is practising the Faith to this standard, the Certificate of Catholic Practice will not be issued. Face-to-face interviews (during evening meetings) for parents wishing to secure certificates will take place in September; please do not submit requests before then.

MISSIO PROMOTERS: Missio helps local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need; by supporting Missio, you play a vital part in creating a vibrant Catholic Church for the future. **Might you be willing to become a promoter of the Missio box programme?** In doing so you can:

- *Raise Awareness:* Share the mission and vision of Missio's initiative within our Church community;
- *Encourage Participation:* Inspire others to contribute, whether through donations or volunteering;
- *Strengthen Our Efforts:* Help Missio gather more resources through the collection of boxes from supporters' homes, allowing them to extend their reach and support to additional missionaries and communities.

With your help, Missio can continue to provide hope and essential support to those who dedicate their lives to serving others. Please contact the local Secretary, Mrs Nana Ama Agbenu, on nanaama.agbenu@yahoo.com if you would like to be a Missio box promoter.

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.

CHURCH CAR PARK: Our new car park cameras have been installed. **Regulations will 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 feel free to raise any further queries/concerns with Fr Francis.

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY: Youth Club is now on summer break and will be back on Sunday 15 September (16:15-17:45) in the Hall. This club welcomes children from 10 into the early teens for two years. We are now hoping to expand our provision by setting up a group for those aged 14 to 17. If you are interested in helping please contact Louise on 07947089157 or speak to Fr Francis. If you have an interest/skill you could share with our young people, please also get in touch.

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**.

AUGUST - MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART: August being associated with devotion to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we continue to pray in this month: *O Immaculate Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners, I beg of you by the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and by the graces God has granted to you since your Immaculate Conception, the grace of never going astray again. Mother, keep me, a sinner, constantly bathed in the light of your Immaculate Heart. Amen.*