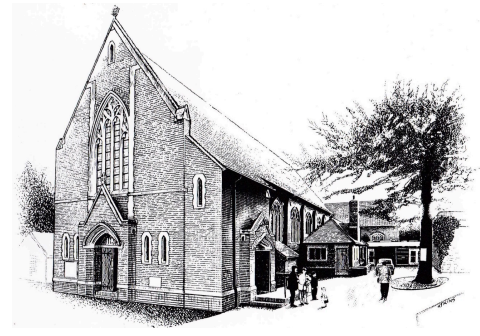


ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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4TH AUGUST 2024

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 2

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Office closed until 2nd September

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

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: Margaret (Peggy) McCauley and John Taylor; **and for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** Margaret Doherty, Anna Orski, Sean Dooley, John Cook, Bill Mc Millan, Ronald Smith, James Foley, Linda Casey, Joyce Spencer, James McSorley, Lena McCarthy, Sybil Debden, Dunia Fitchett, and Caroline Adams; **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, Antonia Smith, and Anthony D'Souza.

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: Fr Jerome Bertram RIP
Risen Lord: The Neely family
Our Lady: The Southport bereaved
St Joseph: Private Intention
St Thérèse: Private Intention

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 4th August
18TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

- 18:00 (Sat) Mary Cheung RIP
- 08:30 JFS Mary Clarke RIP
- 08:30 Roy Putt RIP
- 10:00 Desmond Gerald Hendricks RIP (Winnie & family)
- 12:00 Ambrose & Veronica Joseph RIP
- 18:00 All parishioners

Monday 5th August
Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major

- 07:30 Norman Luck RIP
- 10:00 Edward & Kathleen Cook RIP

Tuesday 6th August
The Transfiguration of the Lord

- 10:00 John Cook RIP

Wednesday 7th August
St Cajetan, Priest

- 07:30 Int Mary McBride
- 10:00 Denis Hopkin RIP (Gorman)

Thursday 8th August
St Dominic, Priest

- 10:00 John W Bolton RIP

Friday 9th August
St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr

- 07:30 Frances Browne RIP
- 10:00 Anne Brownsell RIP

Saturday 10th August
St Laurence, Deacon & Martyr

- 10:00 Denis Hopkin RIP (Brownsell)

Sunday 11th August
19TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

- 18:00 (Sat) Welfare Ron Verecchia
- 08:30 JFS Denis Hopkin RIP
- 08:30 All parishioners
- 10:00 Kamal Padmasiri RIP
- 12:00 Owen Simon RIP
- 18:00 Ambrose & Veronica Joseph RIP

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS - CERTIFICATE 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. The Certificate is designed to provide a single, objective test for Catholic practice, streamlining the related paperwork and reassuring parents of clear criteria. 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.

PURLEY FOOD HUB: Please leave your donations in the Church porch or the JFS school Chapel. List of the most needed items: purleyfoodhub.net

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.

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**.

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.

MOTHER TERESA GROUP: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 21st August 14:00-16:00 in the small hall. Thanks to donations of knitting wool, prisoner contacts have now returned enough knitted squares to make 3 knitted blankets to send to Ukraine. Please continue to donate wool to our box in the narthex.

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.