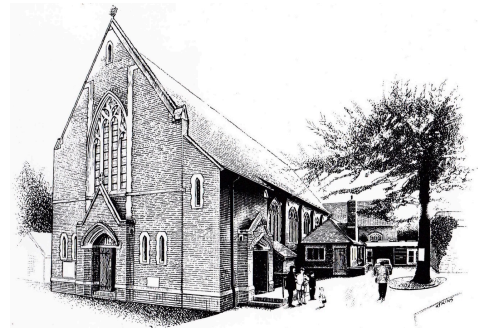


# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

48 Dale Road  
Purley CR8 2EF  
020 8660 3815

[www.johnthebaptistpurley.org.uk](http://www.johnthebaptistpurley.org.uk)



22ND SEPTEMBER 2024

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK I

## Parish Priest

Fr Francis Murphy

[francismurphy@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:francismurphy@rcaos.org.uk)

## Parish Secretary

Rebecca Roberts

[purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk)

Office hours: Mon-Fri, 09:00-13:00

## Hall Bookings

Barbara Baster

[bookingsatsjb@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsatsjb@gmail.com)

## Gift Aid

Phil Strugnell

[purleygac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purleygac@rcaos.org.uk)

## Safeguarding

Milly Sawyer & Margaret Hill

[purleysg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:purleysg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) - [purleysg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:purleysg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk)

## SACRAMENTS

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC:** Want to learn more about becoming a Catholic? Please see right re: Enquiry Meeting.

**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](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) to be added to WhatsApp group and/or mailing list.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**MICHAELMAS FAYRE:** Saturday 19th October at 12:00.

**SCOUTS FIREWORK NIGHT:** Saturday 2nd November.

# MICHAELMAS FAYRE 2024

**19th October 12-3pm @ St. John the Baptist Parish Hall**

One of the biggest events in the parish calendar - lots to do, eat, drink. Games to play, gifts to buy, friends to meet!

**Donations** of unwanted gifts, bottles (alcoholic pref.), toys, books, raffle prizes, homemade cakes, home produce, jams, plants etc. to the presbytery **from 1 October during office hours** – **no junk/bric-à-brac** please! — **Stall holders** wanting to book tables, e-mail Rebecca — **Help** required for set up, during, and tidy up — **Raffle tickets** will be available soon —

Appeal for a **future fayre organiser...** after 10+ fayres new ideas and energy are needed!

Proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the Parish Hall. Suggestions or offers of help:

Rebecca - [purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) (at the presbytery) or Cindy - [c\\_mpipper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:c_mpipper@yahoo.co.uk) (07971 814775)

**Please pray for those who have died recently including:** Bridie Whyte; **and for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** Leonora Wawruszczak, Francis Walker, Mandy Cottle, Somers Holder, Kathleen McSorley, Henrietta Mc Hugo, Kathleen Woodgate, Phyllis Cernuschi, Bridget Sweeney, James Fraser, Patrick Tyrell, Bridget Lay, Elizabeth Cole, and Herbert Wellington.

**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.



**Account name: RCAS / Purley**  
**Number: 79116345**  
**Sort Code: 60-50-01**



## LAMP INTENTIONS

**Sanctuary:** Priestly vocations  
**Risen Lord:** Ben Thapa RIP  
**Our Lady:** Canon J.A. Cronin RIP  
**St Joseph:** Private intention  
**St Thérèse:** The Catenians

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 22nd September**  
**25TH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18:00 (Sat)** Maria Morris RIP

**08:30 JFS** All parishioners

**08:30** Holy Souls

**10:00** Catherine Fahy RIP

**12:00** Doreen Caswell RIP

**18:00** Edmund Jan  
Lewandowski RIP

**Monday 23rd September**  
*St Pius of Pietrelcina,*  
*Priest*

**07:30** John Taylor RIP

**10:00** Olga Keswani RIP

**Tuesday 24th September**  
*Our Lady of Walsingham*

**10:00** Teresa Jiménez RIP

**Wednesday 25th September**

**07:30** Varghese RIP

**10:00** John Mc Granaghan RIP

**Thursday 26th September**

**10:00** Ambrose & Veronica  
Joseph RIP

**Friday 27th September**

*St Vincent de Paul, Priest*

**07:30** Pauline Royle RIP

**10:00** Kenneth Dourado RIP

**Saturday 28th September**

*The Blessed Virgin Mary*

**10:00** Wellbeing Peter John  
Coughlan

**Sunday 29th September**

**26TH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18:00 (Sat)** Eileen Adams RIP

**08:30 JFS** Colin Sutton RIP

**08.30** In Thanksgiving  
(Kenneth Sonaram)

**10:00** Msgr Paul P Louis RIP

**12:00** In Thanksgiving  
(Dr Charles Nwufou)

**18:00** All parishioners

## *Congratulations & welcome to* *Cassius Anthony S. & Anthony Robert Tamrat T.* *baptised at St John the Baptist this weekend*

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE:** School applications are changing, with most requiring a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) rather than school-specific forms. The CCP provides a single, objective test for Catholic practice. 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" (Bishops of England & Wales). There is one further opportunity this year for parents to come with children to secure a CCP:

### **18:30 - Friday 27 September - in the Parish Hall**

You must **bring your child's baptism certificate** (and, where applicable, certificates of First Holy Communion and Confirmation).

**WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING:** Coffee mornings will - unless advertised otherwise - be taking place weekly after the Wednesday 10:00 Mass in the Parish Hall.

**JFS CHAPEL SUNDAY COFFEE:** Next Sunday 29th September after the 08:30 Mass in the Sixth Form block. All are welcome to join for tea, coffee, cakes and pastries.

**CLERGY CHANGES:** This weekend we once again welcome Fr Andrew Coy (Diocese of Northampton), who has been helping with weekend cover while we wait for our new Assistant Priest. From 26th September we will have Fr Biju John with us until our new Assistant Priest arrives; Fr Biju joins us from Woolwich, where he has been providing supply. Please make him welcome for the duration of his stay!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Takes place at 08:30 Mass this Sunday. Our current **Children's Liturgy co-ordinator** is stepping down after ten years; we are looking for someone willing to take on the role. Sessions are on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at the 08:30 Mass. Responsibilities: organising termly rotas, sending out relevant material to the rota of catechists, and training new helpers. **Also sought:** more volunteers to help run the sessions. Volunteers work in pairs; depending on the rota, volunteers help 2-3 times per term. Interested? Contact Anna Froome on [anna.zezula@hotmail.com](mailto:anna.zezula@hotmail.com).

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED:** Jerry Lohan visits our parish this weekend on behalf of ACN, which supports persecuted Christians in over 140 countries around the world and is involved in 5000 projects. ACN works with local churches to get aid directly to those in need. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated.

**CWG REMINDER:** Meeting on Wednesday October 2nd at 14:00 in the Parish Hall. Speaker: Paula Quincey. Topic: "Norland Nannies". Non-members welcome.

**CHILDREN'S ROSARY:** An invitation to children aged 7+ to pray the Holy Rosary on Saturday mornings - 09:30 in the church. Must be accompanied by parent/carer. Begins Saturday 5th October.

**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](http://Anthony R. Coles Travel & Conferences).

**LAMP INTENTIONS:** Write to [purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto: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**.

**MARY'S MEALS:** The team at Mary's Meals invites parishioners to collect foreign currency using special Mary's Meals envelopes available at the church entrance. Guest speaker Roy Peachey will be speaking briefly after Masses next weekend, 28/29th September about this initiative.

**CONJUGAL LOVE PROJECT:** Dive into the adventure of discovering God's extraordinary plan for your marriage, following the catechesis of St John Paul II. Building the three pillars in your marriage: 1. *Prayer and sacraments*; 2. *Formation*; 3. *Effort - daily acts of love*. Meets monthly at St Margaret of Scotland, Carshalton Beeches. Contact [maria.tricotti@gmail.com](mailto:maria.tricotti@gmail.com) for details of the next meeting.