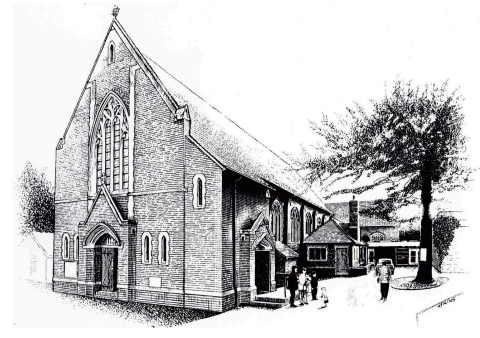


ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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29TH SEPTEMBER 2024

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 2

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Fr Biju John

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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 to be added to WhatsApp group and/or mailing list.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP: First Wednesdays at 14:00.

SOCIAL EVENTS

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

SCOUTS FIREWORK NIGHT: Saturday 2nd November.

MICHAELMAS FAYRE 2024

19th October 12:00-15:00 @ 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** on sale now!

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 (at the presbytery) or Cindy - c_mmpiper@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:** Richard Matthews, Sydney Johnson, Ellena Allen, Anthony Hannah, Paddy Doherty, Patrick MacDonald, Anne Mitchell, Charles Godfrey, Eileen Hoar, and Charmion Pereira.

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: Int. Maureen Black
Risen Lord: Maronite Christians
Our Lady: Private Intention
St Joseph: The Honein family
St Thérèse: Pat & Rudy Agacy RIP

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

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday 30th September
St Jerome,

Priest & Doctor of the Church

07:30 Caroline Adams RIP

10:00 Constance Anderson RIP

Tuesday 1st October

St Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin & Doctor of the Church

10:00 Holy Souls

Wednesday 2nd October

The Holy Guardian Angels

07:30 Ambrose & Veronica
Joseph RIP

10:00 Mark Connolly RIP

Thursday 3rd October

10:00 Deceased relatives
O'Reilly family RIP

Friday 4th October

St Francis of Assisi

07:30 Roger McGrath RIP

10:00 Int Toni & Anna Kowal

Saturday 5th October

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 Geoffrey Burke RIP

Sunday 6th October

27TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

18:00 (Sat) Private Intention
(Felix)

08:30 JFS Mary Clarke RIP

08:30 James Donovan RIP

10:00 Mrs S M Henry RIP

12:00 Alf & Betty Gallacher &
deceased family members RIP

18:00 All parishioners



Funeral Mass
at St John the Baptist

Tuesday 22nd October 10:00
Bridie Whyte RIP

Congratulations & welcome to ***Theodore Burtenshaw*** ***baptised at St John the Baptist this weekend***

WELCOME to Fr Biju John, who is joining us as live-in supply in anticipation of the arrival of our new Assistant Priest. Fr Biju has ministered in the dioceses of Westminster and Southwark, and was most recently based in Woolwich. Please do take the time to say hello.

SYCAMORE is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people and think about questions that really matter. Sessions involve a short film and time for discussion. To attend the Tuesday evening sessions (starting 15th October) write to purley@rcaos.org.uk to register interest. **Everyone welcome.**

MARY'S MEALS invites parishioners to collect foreign currency using special Mary's Meals envelopes available at the church entrance. Please leave your filled envelopes in the boxes provided. Guest speaker Roy Peachey will be speaking briefly at Masses this weekend about this initiative.

SUNDAY COFFEE in the Parish Hall will take place after the 10:00 Mass, and is hosted by the Catenians.

JFS CHAPEL SUNDAY COFFEE will be served after the 08:30 Mass in the Sixth Form block. All are welcome to join for tea, coffee, cakes and pastries.

FEAST OF ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX: On Tuesday, we honour St Thérèse, "the Little Flower". We can do so by lighting candles before her statue, using the recently-acquired candle stand in the south transept, and there will also be an opportunity to venerate our parish's first class relic of St Thérèse at the conclusion of the 10:00 Mass.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS will - unless advertised otherwise - be taking place weekly after the 10:00 Mass in the Parish Hall.

CWG 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 next Saturday 5th October.

MASS WITH COMMENTARY: Next Sunday (6th October) the 12:00 Mass will be supplemented by "brief explanations and commentaries with the purpose of introducing [the faithful] to the celebration and preparing them to understand it better" (§105, *General Instruction on the Roman Missal*). This will be framed in terms that children can understand; it is hoped that adults will find this valuable too!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 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

FOOD HUB: Next weekend is our monthly food hub collection. Please leave donations in the Church porch or the JFS Chapel. The list for October can be found here purleyfoodhub.net

A DAY WITH MARY: is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 12th October 09:45 -17:00. Further information is available at www adaywithmary.org.

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**.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME 2025: Details of the parish pilgrimage to Rome in September 2025 can be found online at Anthony R. Coles Travel & Conferences.