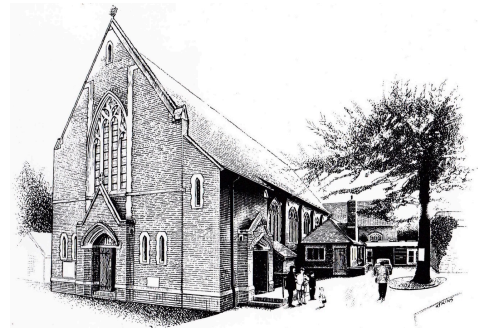


# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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8TH SEPTEMBER 2024

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 3

## Parish Priest

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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](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.

## 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). If a family is not practising to this standard, the CCP cannot be issued.

There are **two** opportunities to secure a CCP, during face-to-face meetings with Fr Francis in the Hall:

18:30 - Friday 13 September

18:30 - Friday 27 September

**Please pray for those who have died recently including: and for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** Catherine Bullen, Linda Budge, Joan Bowen, Brenda Williams, Ann Daly, Zena Hulley, Catherine Ross, David Prebble, Fernando Pascual, Herbert Wellington, Louise Hubert, Eric Greenash, James Devlin, Mary Long, Amelia Lomasney, Dorothy Birch, and Nora Connolly;

**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**

**This week's 2nd collection: Catholic Education**  
**Next week: Home Mission**



## LAMP INTENTIONS

**Sanctuary:** Charlotte S.  
**Risen Lord:** Mgr Jeremy Fairhead  
**Our Lady:** Abp Michael Bowen RIP  
**St Joseph:** The Young family  
**St Thérèse:** Edward & Catherine M.

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



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 8th September**  
**23RD SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18:00 (Sat)** Jane D'Souza  
RIP

**08:30 JFS** Int. Fr David  
Hunter (Baskeyfield)

**08:30** All parishioners

**10:00** Mrs Annie  
Pallivathukkal RIP

**12:00** Beverley Niblett RIP

**18:00** Peter Saunders RIP

**Monday 9th September**

**07:30** Ambrose & Veronica  
Joseph RIP

**10:00** Anne Brownsell RIP

**Tuesday 10th September**

**10:00** Bernard Townshend  
RIP

**Wednesday 11th September**

**07:30** Donald Raistrick RIP

**10:00** Kamal Padmasiri RIP

**Thursday 12th September**

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*

**10:00** Elizabeth Hempsey &  
deceased family members  
RIP

**Friday 13th September**

*St John Chrysostom,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

**07:30** Eileen Adams RIP

**10:00** Jorge Grunauer RIP

**Saturday 14th September**

*The Exaltation  
of the Holy Cross*

**10:00** Private Intention (JF)

**Sunday 15th September**

**24TH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18:00 (Sat)** Andrew  
Delgrosso RIP

**08:30 JFS** Holy Souls

**08:30** Int. 21st Wedding  
Anniversary (Felix)

**10:00** Dr Joseph Philipose  
RIP

**12:00** Maria Grunauer RIP

**18:00** All parishioners

# CHURCH CAR PARK:

A reminder that **the new regulations go into force this week, beginning on Monday (9th September)**. Please read the instructions displayed in car park and in church/hall.

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***Congratulations & welcome to  
Kobe Joshua Graham & Wave Antony  
baptised at St John the Baptist this weekend***

**SUNDAY COFFEE:** Hosted by the CWG after the 10:00 Mass.

**WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING:** Returns **weekly** from Wednesday 18th September, after the 10:00 Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome.

**YOUTH CLUB:** The new term starts next Sunday 15th September from 16:15-17:45. All children between 10-15 years of age are welcome.

**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 weekend we welcome Fr Richard Marsden (Diocese of Middlesborough); next weekend we will be joined once again by Fr Andrew Coy (Diocese of Northampton). On weekdays the parish continues to be a largely one man operation; urgent need will be prioritised. Thank you for your patience.

**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**.

**GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER:** Sycamore GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) is an online course for married and engaged couples. It consists of four one-hour-long sessions via Zoom and provides the opportunity for couples to enrich their friendship and love and explore their faith together. The course runs on four consecutive Tuesday evenings from 20:00 to 21:00, beginning 10th September. To register click on the link: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/together>.

**MARY'S MEALS:** The team at Mary's Meals invites parishioners to collect 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 at 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. Guest speaker Roy Peachey will be speaking briefly after Masses on 28/29th September about this initiative.