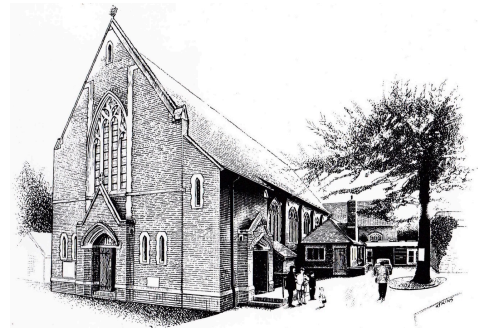


# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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6TH OCTOBER 2024

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 3

## Parish Priest Supply Priest

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Fr Biju John

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

## 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.

**CHILDREN'S HOLY ROSARY:** Saturdays at 09:30.

**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):** Contact [purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) to be added to WhatsApp group and/or mailing list, providing mobile phone number and/or e-mail.

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

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY COFFEE:** Parish Hall after 10:00 Mass (weekly).

**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, home produce, jams, to the presbytery now **during office hours** - **no junk/bric-à-brac** please! Homemade cakes, plants - indoor & cacti, outdoor - bare rooted or potted to the hall on the afternoon of Friday 18th or the morning of Saturday 19th— **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](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) (at the presbytery) or Cindy - [c\\_m Piper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:c_m Piper@yahoo.co.uk) (07971 814775)

**Please pray for those who have died recently including:** Bridie Whyte and Maria Barros; **and for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** James Gibney, Elizabeth Pointer, Josef Jasnowski, Joan Green, Elizabeth Sullivan, Mary Devereux, Hugh Johnston, Peter Weir, John Peacock, Peter Bunce, and David Shrimpton;

**and also for those unwell:** Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Douglas Johnston, Teresa Holmes, Ryan Baker, Michael Edwards, 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:** Fr Louie Kitt  
**Risen Lord:** The Stafford family  
**Our Lady:** S. James  
**St Joseph:** Int. Oscar Brown  
**St Thérèse:** Private Intention

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 6th October**  
**27TH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**18:00 (Sat)** Private Intention  
(Joseph 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

**Monday 7th October**  
*Our Lady of the Rosary*

**07:30** Norman Luck RIP

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

**Tuesday 8th October**

**10:00** John W Bolton RIP

**Wednesday 9th October**  
*St John Henry Newman,*  
*Priest*

**07:30** Private Intention  
(Jack Felix)

**10:00** Anne Brownsell RIP

**Thursday 10th October**  
*St John Leonardi,*  
*Priest*

**10:00** Robert & Ethel Russell  
RIP

**Friday 11th October**

*Pope St John XXIII*

**07:30** Nadine Withnell RIP

**10:00** Kamal Padmasiri RIP

**Saturday 12th October**  
*The Blessed Virgin Mary*

**10:00** Edward & Kathleen Cook  
RIP

**Sunday 13th October**  
**28TH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**08:30 JFS** Kevin Lydon RIP

**08:30** Arthur Knight RIP

**10:00** Mr P L Joseph RIP

**12:00** Ambrose & Veronica  
Joseph RIP

**18:00** All parishioners



## **Funeral Masses** **at St John the Baptist**

Wednesday 16th October 12:00  
Maria Barros RIP

Tuesday 22nd October 10:00  
Bridie Whyte RIP

## **Congratulations & welcome to** **Noah Chalmin** **baptised at St John the Baptist this weekend**

**SYCAMORE** is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today, designed and presented by Fr Stephen Wang (Rector of the Venerable English College, Rome). 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 (**beginning 19:30 on 15th October**) write to [purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) to register interest. **Everyone is welcome.**

**OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE:** The Bishops of England and Wales are calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and action to oppose the newest attempt to legalise assisted suicide. **Act now by contacting your MP** (if you live in Croydon South constituency, Chris Philp MP - [chris.philp.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:chris.philp.mp@parliament.uk)) and asking them to oppose the latest proposals - even if you have e-mailed previously. **We must also pray for the defeat of this attempt.** Further information on the Bishops' Conference website: [www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/).

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** takes place at the 08:30 Mass on Sunday.

**SUNDAY COFFEE** will be hosted by St Gerard's after the 10:00 Mass in the Parish Hall.

**FOOD HUB:** Collection this weekend. Please leave donations in the narthex or the JFS Chapel. The list for October can be found here [purleyfoodhub.net](http://purleyfoodhub.net)

**MASS WITH COMMENTARY:** This Sunday the 12:00 Mass is 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!

**PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND:** The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem has asked us to keep Monday 7th October as a day of prayer, penance, and fasting for peace in the Holy Land. Please remember the innocents caught up in the horrors of war.

**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](mailto:anna.zezula@hotmail.com).

**MASS FOR CATHOLICS WORKING IN EDUCATION** takes place at 16:30 on Monday 4th November at St Joseph's College Chapel, Beulah Hill. Refreshments to follow.

**JOHN FISHER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS** are prepared and delivered each year to vulnerable local families. Do you have, or know of anyone who has links to businesses that may want to donate items - e.g. supermarkets or food/goods companies? Please contact [thejohnfisherassoc@gmail.com](mailto:thejohnfisherassoc@gmail.com).

**THE ARCHBISHOP'S CERTIFICATE** is a two-year online course incorporating three in-person study days for all in Southwark who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way. The course begins on 12 October with an introductory Zoom session and the first in-person session will take place on 19 October at St George's Cathedral. Further details at [aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert).

**FREE ACCESS TO THE CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE:** Southwark's 175 parishes feature on the *Franciscan at Home* platform ([franciscanathome.com/southwark](http://franciscanathome.com/southwark)), providing access to excellent resources. Create a free account: [aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan)

**LAMP INTENTIONS:** Write to [purley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:purley@rcaos.org.uk) indicating intention, lamp, and preferred week (run from 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 our parish pilgrimage to Rome in September 2025, including booking forms, can be found at [Anthony R. Coles Travel & Conferences](http://Anthony R. Coles Travel & Conferences).