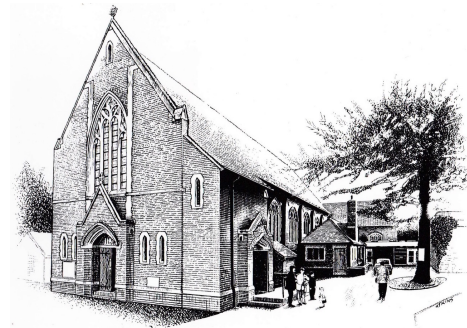


ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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28TH SEPTEMBER 2025

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 2

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Parish Secretary
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Office hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-13:00

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Please contact the Parish Priest.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Request a form after Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS: See parish website.

HOLY COMMUNION VISITS: Holy Communion is taken to the housebound of the parish regularly; contact Parish Office.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 10:30-11:30 & 17:15-17:50 & at other times when priest in confessional or by appointment.

MARRIAGE: E-mail Parish Office min. 6 months in advance.

HOLY ORDERS: Please speak to the Parish Priest if you are interested in exploring a vocation to the priesthood/diaconate.

ANointing OF THE SICK/EXTREME UNCTION: Contact Parish Office if you/someone for whom you are responsible requires anointing. In event of urgent need (danger of death) call 020 8660 3815 (leaving a message if necessary).

CONFIRMATION will be advertised in the newsletter
& at Masses when registration is open.

DEVOTIONS & ACTIVITIES

ADORATION: Sat. post-10:00 Mass; **BENEDICTION** c.11:30.

HOLY ROSARY: Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 07:00; Tue. & Thu. at 10:30.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Thursdays post-10:00 Mass.

YOUTH CLUB: Sundays in term-time, Hall 16:15-17:45.

IGNITE (13-16): Sundays in term-time, Hall 18:45-20:30.

FRASSATI YOUNG ADULTS (18-35): Meets regularly; join WhatsApp group by writing to purley@rcaos.org.uk.

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

SOCIAL EVENTS

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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Submit items by 13:00 Wednesday.

Certificates of Catholic Practice

Some schools require that applicants present a Certificate of Catholic Practice. In keeping with guidance issued by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales, it will **not** be possible to issue these to children of families who are not known to the Parish Priest to be attending Sunday Mass on a weekly basis.

Certificates will be provided in face-to-face meetings if it has been established that these conditions are met; where there is doubt, a further meeting will be required, and a certificate may be refused.

Please **come with your child (and proof of his/her baptism and First Holy Communion)** to the **Parish Hall at 18:30** on either **Friday 3rd October or Friday 10th October**.

Please pray for those who have died recently, including Norma Carroll;

and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Elizabeth Cole, Herbert Wellington, Richard Matthews, Sydney Johnson, Ellena Allen, Anthony Hannah, Paddy Doherty, Patrick MacDonald, Anne Mitchell, Charles Godfrey, and Eileen Hoar;

and also for those who are currently unwell: Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Douglas Johnston, Teresa Holmes, Ryan Baker, Michael Edwards, Keith Ockenden, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter, Canon David Caine, Nick Phillips, Anne Mawer, John Swadling, Ian Stewart, Fontana Maria, Maureen O'Rourke, Elzbieta Cedro, Antonia Smith, Norma Stanes, Tom & Sally O'Regan, Michael Whale, John O'Brien, and Gwen Carne.

You can **donate** to the parish [via our website](#), 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: Private Intention
Risen Lord: Abp John Wilson
Our Lady: Pat & Rudy Agacy RIP
St Joseph: Gonzalo R. RIP
St Thérèse: Victims of war

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 28th September

**26TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

18:00 (Sat) Ernesto
Delgrosso & Luigia Accorsini
RIP

08:30 JFS Mr Siri
Siriwardena RIP

08:30 Olivio & Maria Dalla
Pria RIP

10:00 Msgr Paul P Louis
RIP

12:00 Ambrose & Veronica
Joseph RIP

18:00 All parishioners

Monday 29th September

*Ss Michael, Gabriel &
Raphael, Archangels*

07:30 Caroline Adams RIP

10:00 Adam Brown RIP

Tuesday 30th September

St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

10:00 Constance Anderson
RIP

Wednesday 1st October

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

07:30 Edward Lynch RIP

10:00 In Thanksgiving
(Family & Friends)

Thursday 2nd October

The Holy Guardian Angels

10:00 In Thanksgiving
(Our Lady)

Friday 3rd October

07:30 Deceased relatives of
the O'Reilly family RIP

10:00 Int Toni & Anna Kowal

Saturday 4th October

St Francis of Assisi

10:00 Int Ken Sonaram

Sunday 5th October

**27TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

18:00(Sat) All parishioners

08:30 JFS Mary Clarke RIP

08:30 Rev Geoffrey Burke
RIP

10:00 Mr S M Henry RIP

12:00 Owen Simon RIP

18:00 Juan Parodi RIP
(10th Anniversary)



**FUNERAL MASS
AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Tue 30th September - 11:30

Norma Carroll RIP

Livestream at

www.churchservices.tv/purley

SEEKING TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

**Our parish course begins soon... in OCTOBER;
if interested, please write to Fr Francis ASAP**

francismurphy@rcaos.org.uk

SUNDAY COFFEE after 10:00 Mass is hosted by Alex Todryk and Eileen Stradling.

JFS CHAPEL COFFEE: Please join us this Sunday in the Sixth Form block after 08:30 Mass for tea, coffee, and a variety of savouries and cakes.

YOUTH CLUB this Sunday in the Parish Hall, 16:15-17:45.

PURLEY FOOD HUB collection takes place next weekend: purleyfoodhub.net.

CWG MEETING - REMINDER: Wednesday 1st October 14:00 in the small Hall - "Welcome to the Parish, Fr John"... with special guest, Fr John Howard. Visitors welcome.

BLESSING OF PETS - ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI: Parishioners with pets are invited to bring them to the grass area outside the Parish Hall on the feast of St Francis of Assisi (4th October) at 12:30, where they will be blessed.

AN EVENING WITH ST PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI: *15 Days of Prayer with Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati* by Fr Charles Desjobert OP will be launched on **Saturday 18th October 2025** at St George's Cathedral. 18:00 Vigil Mass in the Cathedral, with launch starting at 19:15. Short talks by Fr Charles, Fr Matthew Jarvis OP, and Archbishop John Wilson, followed by readings, the Rosary, and refreshments. Book signings from 20:15. Evening concludes 21:15. Booking details to appear soon at <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk>.

JOHN FISHER SCHOOL FOR BOYS (11-18): Open mornings for parents/carers and their sons, who are moving to secondary school in September 2026 (current year 6), are taking place on Friday 3rd, Tuesday 7th, and Friday 10th October. Each morning will include a welcome from the Headteacher and a tour of the school. Pre-booking is essential via the school www.johnfisherschool.org.

FASHION SHOW FOR PURLEY'S CANCER HELP CENTRE: Tickets £40. **Date:** Thursday 2nd October, 19:00 until late. **Venue:** Surrey National Golf Club. **Host:** Laura Hamilton, presenter of Channel 4's *Place in the Sun*. Bubbles on arrival, beautifully curated grazing boards, and goody bag to take home. Tickets at <https://tinyurl.com/pccfashion> or by contacting the Centre on 020 8668 0974.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY - FRIDAY 3 OCTOBER: The overseas development agency of the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales holds its family fast day next Friday. Want to learn more? Visit <https://cafod.org.uk/give/appeals/family-fast-day-appeal>.



is a group for young people aged 13-16.

Join us on **Sundays after the 18:00 Mass** in the Parish Hall for games, ping pong, learning the faith, & small group discussions
...with free pizza, drinks, and cake!

Want your son/daughter to grow in faith in a fun and relaxed atmosphere with other young people their age? Encourage them to come to our
TASTER SESSION THIS WEEKEND - Sun 28th September, 18:45-20:30.

More information? E-mail purleyignite@rcaos.org.uk.

Flyers also available in church.