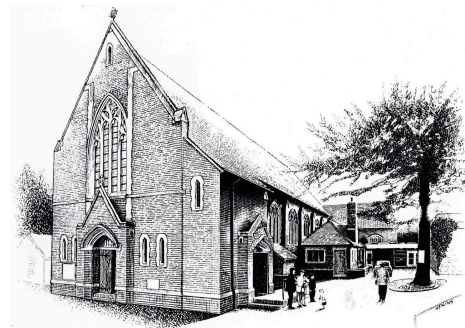


ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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19TH OCTOBER 2025

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK I

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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 Tuesday**.

CHERISH LIFE

A one-day conference to help us build a culture of life will take place on 22 November 2025 at St John the Baptist Parish Hall, 11:00-16:00. This event is for everyone who has a heart to defend unborn babies and their mothers from the tragedy of abortion. For more information, see the leaflets available in the church. To register, visit cherishlife.eventbrite.co.uk, scan the QR code on the leaflets, or call 07926 007175.

Please pray for those who have died recently, including; Keith Ockenden;

and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: William Preest, James Fitchett, Mary Cunningham, Anthony Cauchi, William Batt, Vilma Martenz, John Barrie, Wally Woodgate, Mario Traquino, Rosa Giacomazzi and Daphne Driscoll;

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, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter, Canon David Caine, Nick Phillips, Anne Mawer, John Swadling, Ian Stewart, Fontana Maria, Maureen O'Rourke, Elzbieta Cedro, Antonia Smith, Tom & Sally O'Regan, Michael Whale, John O'Brien, Gwen Carne, and Yvonne Wade.

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.



Account name: RCAS / Purley
Number: 79116345
Sort Code: 60-50-01
2nd Collection this week: MISSIO



LAMP INTENTIONS

Sanctuary: Nicholas da Costa
Risen Lord: Winnie King RIP
Our Lady: Victims of crime
St Joseph: E. Tomlinson RIP
St Thérèse: Holy souls

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 19th October 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18:00 (Sat) Eileen Adams
RIP

08:30 JFS Patrica Haimes
RIP

08:30 Vilma Dalla Pria RIP

10:00 Ambrose & Veronica
Joseph RIP

12:00 Teofilo Garcia RIP

18:00 All parishioners

Monday 20th October

07:30 Robin Kaenzig RIP

10:00 Donald Raistrick RIP

Tuesday 21st October

10:00 Christopher Nichols
RIP

Wednesday 22nd October

St John Paul II

07:30 James Irwin Clay RIP

10:00 Elizabeth Ellis RIP

Thursday 23rd October

*St John of Capistrano,
Priest*

10:00 Intention Sharon &
Eugene Boado

Friday 24th October

*St Anthony Mary Claret,
Bishop*

07:30 Morgan James Fahy
RIP

10:00 Rosa Giacomazzi RIP

Saturday 25th October

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 Private Intention

Sunday 26th October

30TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

18:00(Sat) Caroline Adams
RIP

08:30 JFS Kellie McBride
RIP

08:30 Bernard Townshend

10:00 Leonard Highland RIP

12:00 Mr Gerald Felix RIP

18:00 All parishioners

SUNDAY COFFEE after 10:00 Mass is hosted by the CWG.

JFS CHAPEL COFFEE: Please join us **next Sunday** (26th October) in the Sixth Form block after 08:30 Mass for tea, coffee, and a variety of savouries & cakes.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY encourages support for Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace, and justice to those in need. To donate, use the Missio envelopes, call 020 7821 9755, or visit missio.org.uk. Please Gift Aid your donation if possible. Our Missio parish representative Nana Ama will be speaking briefly after all Masses this weekend.

YOUTH CLUB meets Sunday 19th October 16:15-17:45 in the Parish Hall, for Years 4+. We look forward to welcoming special guest James Gummett, a retired paramedic, who will teach lifesaving skills and CPR. Plus usual games, chill-out time, & tuck-shop. Last club before half-term, return 9th November.

CWG meets at 14:00 on Wednesday 5th November in Parish Hall. Speaker: Thomas O'Connor, on "*Green Man Growing: Regenerative Farming*". Non-members welcome.

WELCOMERS AT MASS: Noel Brownsell would like to hear from you if you would be interested in assisting as a "welcomer" at one of our Sunday Masses. Welcomers greet people arriving at church and provide them with a copy of the Mass readings (and, where applicable, a hymn book). Contact him directly (noelbrownsell756@gmail.com); applicants subject to approval and DBS clearance.

HCPT GROUP 14: Two helper spaces have become available for Easter 2026. Please contact Jane ASAP on group14@hcpt.org.uk if you would like to experience Lourdes with HCPT (5-11 April 2026). £1300 all-inclusive. See www.hcpt.org.uk.

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: In October we are reminded of the value of praying the Holy Rosary. At his General Audience of 1st October Pope Leo addressed English-speaking faithful, saying, "*As we begin the month dedicated to the holy Rosary, I invite you to pray it daily for peace in our world.*"

THE JOHN FISHER MUSIC DEPARTMENT invites you to a St Cecilia Concert on Thursday 20th November 2025 at 18:30. St Mark's Church, 8 Church Road, Purley CR8 3QQ. Admission free.

ENGLISH CATHOLIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION DAY CONFERENCE AND AGM: To be held at Our Lady of the Assumption and St Gregory, Warwick St, W1B 5LZ on Saturday 1 November. Talks from Michael Stokes (*The Catholic Bishops under Elizabeth I and Henry VIII*) and Joanna Bogle (*Catholic London - History, People, Architecture and Heritage*). £8 (members) £12 (non-members). See <https://echa.org.uk> for more details.

ROOTED IN LOVE: Want to grow closer as a couple while deepening your faith and meeting new people? All engaged and married couples are invited to a monthly online meeting where we share friendship, reflect on real-life topics and pray together as we grow in love rooted in Christ. Each gathering is monthly on Zoom: October 30 at 20:30, November 27 at 20:30, December 11 at 20:30. E-mail mflkent@rcaos.org.uk to sign up or receive more information.

POPE LEO XIV ADDRESSING PRESIDENT OF ITALY AT THE QUIRINALE PALACE:

"[T]here is a certain tendency, these days, to undervalue, at various levels, the models and values that have developed over the centuries and that shape our cultural identity, sometimes even attempting to erase their historical and human relevance. Let us not disdain what our forefathers experienced and what they passed on to us, even at the cost of great sacrifices.... Cherishing the memory of those who came before us, treasuring the traditions that have made us what we are, is important for looking to the present and the future with awareness, serenity, responsibility, and a sense of perspective." (14th October 2025).