

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)  
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 2nd JULY 2022

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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)

6.00pm John Barker RIP, Deborah & Anne, Anna's father RIP (30 days), Douglas Cherry (live streamed)

Sun 3 July Fourteenth Sunday

8.30am Sherin Paul RIP, Sr Magdelene, Connell Doherty RIP (14th Anniv)

9.30am - Denton Andrew & Jeremy Smith

10.30am Bridget Hardy RIP (1st Anniv), Alice O Ize Iyamu (10th Anniv)

6.00pm Souls suffering in Purgatory, Thanksgiving (Private Int)

Mon 4 July St Elizabeth

9.15am Bridget Hardy RIP (1st Anniv), Teresa Potter (Birthday)

Tues 5 July St Anthony Zaccaria

9.15am Katie Barnes (health & wellbeing) & Rebecca Wilson

Wed 6 July St Maria Goretti

**Adoration 10.00am-12noon**

12 noon Mary & Patrick Morrissey RIP

Thurs 7 July Feria

9.15am (Mass at St Johns Primary School)

Fri 8 July Feria

9.15am Lesley Hogan (Int), Theresa Smyth

Sat 9 July BVM

**Adoration after 10am Mass until 12.30pm (Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm)**

10.00am Welfare of Paul Sidonia

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)

6.00pm Jonathan Shields Int. (live streamed)

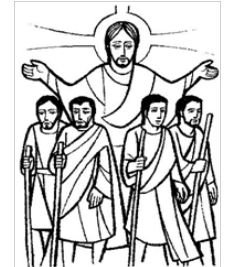
Sun 10 July Fifteenth Sunday

8.30am Sherin Paul RIP

9.30am - Denton Sr Helen Rose Ryan

10.30am Carol Stevens

6.00pm Aureem & Ricardo & family



**The Church will be open for private prayer Mon- Friday until 5pm, Sat & Sun 7pm**

**Please pray for the souls of all deceased parishioners, family and friends.**

**Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time including...**

**3 - 10th July**

- 3: John William Amos, Connell Lawrence Doherty, Sister Rita Kavanagh, Sean Francis Erangey
- 4: Michael Raymond Crilly, Anouska Wendy Noel Mitchell, Jean Marie Cracknell, Kathleen Turnbull, Bridget Mary Hardy,
- 5: Cyril Birch, Anthony John Lawrence, Jessie Buck, Ellen Bridget Burbury, Ernest Ramsey, Baby Joseph Ferguson, Benjamin Joseph Abeydeera, Barbara Amy Meadows
- 6: John Nunn, Phyllis O'Brien, Gerard Pierre Joseph Cartier, Rodney Dennis Rixson
- 7: Robert Francis McGinley, Patrick Arthur Ray, Joseph Patrick Connolly, David Wilson, Margaret Mary Lovatt
- 8: Robert Matheson, Anthony Hand, Margaret Murphy, Alban Adolphin Toppin, Joan Winifred Martin
- 9: Agnes Jessie Smith, Bernard O'Kane, Sister M. Anthony Dunne, Bridget Eileen Buckley,
- 10: Wlodzimiers Paskiewicz, Theresa Ann Green, Joseph Benedict McLoughlin, Rachael Riley

**May they rest in peace**



**Sick/housebound** Please contact the parish office and let us know of neighbours/family members who are unable to come to Church and would like to receive Communion or call 07405803862. We remember in our prayers those who are sick, housebound or in hospital & those who care for them.

**Mr Jonathan Shields** Please join us for Mass for Mr Shields next Saturday 9th July at 6pm in thanksgiving to him for his tireless devotion as Headteacher at St Johns Primary School and on his retirement this summer.

**Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje** Fr Moses will lead a parish pilgrimage to Medjugorje on 3rd October for 7 nights flying from Gatwick airport. The cost will be £630 (sharing) or £130 supplement for single room. If you might be interested please let Henri Lindsay (07712278210) or the office know.

**Bereavement Ministry** Have you lost a dear one, and so familiar with the pain and challenges of loss? Could you help comfort, care for, and assure the bereaved in our parish family, they are not alone? Please speak with Fr Moses or pick the form at the back of the Church.

**Baptisms** We welcome into our parish family Oliver Mash, Adalia Onakinor and Francesca Langella who were baptized this weekend. Application forms for Baptism are available from the back of the Church or the parish office. Dates for the baptism course can be seen in the porch (Families need to attend one of the talks before the baptism). Please phone or email the office if you wish to attend (Next talk is 11th July).

**Confirmation Certificates** Would all candidates who were Confirmed this month please see Fr Moses after Mass to collect their certificate.

**Last weeks collections:** First collection: £1043.69, Maintenance: £26.70, Peters Pence £300.80. Thank you for your continued generosity. **Second collections: Next week:** Sea Sunday - collection for Apostleship of the Sea. A Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide, providing practical and pastoral care. Life of a seafarer can be dangerous and lonely and they may be at sea for up to a year in harsh conditions.

Thank you to all those people who also pay by standing order - forms are available on the information table if you would like to make your donation to the Church in this way instead of using gift aid envelopes or cash.

**Knights of St Columba** invites parishioners to stay behind in the coffee bar after 10.30am Mass for fellowship, tea and coffee next Sunday 10th July (and the second Sunday of each month).

**Altar Servers Summer Break** For Altar Servers, boys and girls aged 11-17 of the Southwark diocese 2-5th August at Oratory School, Reading. Please collect a form from the sacristy if you are interested.

**School Forms** Fr Moses will be available to sign school forms on Thursday 7th July between 11-3pm in the Presbytery. Please note that the day and times may change each week.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group** each Tuesday straight after 9.15am Mass in the Cry Chapel. All welcome to join us in prayer. We especially remember our sick friends and family.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** *A minute within your court is more than a thousand elsewhere.* Please spare a little time if you are able to come, pray & watch before the Blessed Sacrament, either on Wed (9.30–11.30) or Sat after 10am Mass until 12.30pm so that there will always be someone present in the Church.

**Mass Offerings:** If you would like to have a Mass offered for an intention, please fill in one of marked envelopes and hand to one of the priests or call at the presbytery between 10-2pm if you would like a specific mass. We cannot always allocate a Mass on the date requested as it may have already been booked, however, your Mass may be shared if you wish.

**The Divine Mercy** each day at 3pm. Please go to the parish website.

**Mustard Seed** Meet every Friday @7.30pm to nourish their faith with the Word of God (link on parish website)

**Wednesday Tea/Coffee** Come and join the fellowship after the 12 noon Mass on Wednesday.

**Appeal for Knitters?** Do we have any knitters in the parish who may like to make some pure white shawls to sell at our Baptism preparation course? Some families seem to find it difficult to buy a plain white shawl so we thought we could offer them for sale. We would cover the cost of the wool. If you can help please let Fr Moses know or contact Teresa in the office. Thank you to those people who have shown an interest in making a shawl. We are not looking at any specific pattern and different styles would be most welcome (last year we had over 80 baptisms in the parish)

**Building a Better Marriage** The Marriage & Family Life Team are offering you an opportunity to attend an online 'Building a Better Marriage' from 9am - 1pm on Saturday 16th July. The course offered means that you can attend from your own living room and there is no group sharing! Further information contact: Carole -07983524727 / email: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

**The Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place between 19th and 26th August. We are sad that, like most Lourdes pilgrimages this year, we have not been able to include pilgrims who need medical support. At the same time, we are delighted to be returning to Lourdes after two years of absence. Details are available at [www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/catholic-association](http://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/catholic-association). Southwark contacts: Canon Ed Perera ([edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk)) and Bishop Paul Hendricks ([paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk)).

**200 Club June Winners** 1st: £55 - Cliff Potter, 2nd: £35 - Mrs A Bakker, 3rd: £25 - Jacky Hardy, 4th: £15 - Carman Balzan. Thank you for your continued support. (*Numbers drawn at Wednesday Teas 29th June*)