

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 12th OCTOBER 2024

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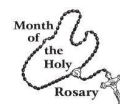
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Welcome!

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Anthony, Gerard, Jude & Sarbel (Thanksgiving to the Saints) <i>(live streamed)</i>
Sun 13 Oct Twenty-Eighth Sunday (B)	8.30am	Angela Loughrey & family RIP, Josephine McEniff RIP (1st Anniv)
<i>(St Mary's, Denton)</i>	9.30am	Teresa Symms (Birthday)
	10.30am	Jude Mordi RIP <i>(livestreamed)</i>
	6.00pm	
Mon 14 Oct Feria	9.15am	Dinny Doherty
Tues 15 Oct St Teresa of Avila	9.15am	Onyeka Adaka (Birthday Blessing) <i>(live streamed)</i>
Wed 16 Oct Feria	<u>Adoration 10.00am-12noon</u>	
	12 noon	Michael & Christine Johnson (50th Wedding Anniv)
Thurs 17 Oct St Ignatius of Antioch	9.15am	<i>(St John's School)</i>
Fri 18 Oct St Luke	9.15am	Marie Albrow (Intention)
Sat 19 Oct BVM	<u>Adoration after 10am Mass until 12.30pm (Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm)</u>	
	10.00am	
First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	<i>live streamed)</i>
Sun 20 Oct Twenty-Ninth Sunday (B)	8.30am	Susan Hares RIP
<i>(St Mary's, Denton)</i>	9.30am	Roy Goulding RIP
	10.30am	Stephen Walsh & deceased members of Walsh family <i>(livestreamed)</i>
	6.00pm	Alaksandre Petelczyc RIP (30 days)



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

Miranda Lenora Hujsa-Woodward - Service at Thames View Crematorium Fri 18 Oct @ 3pm

Patricia Kavanagh - Requiem at St John Thurs 24 Oct @ 2pm

Jude Mordi - Reception 24 Oct @ 6.30pm and Requiem Mass Fri 25 Oct @ 11.30am

Georgina 'Gina' Leach - Requiem at St John's Thurs 31 Oct @ 12.30pm

Thomas Nee - Requiem at St John's Tues 5th Nov @ 10.30am

May God console their families. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace;

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time including... May they rest in peace...

13: Kathleen Waller, Mary Slattery, Kay Frances Woollard, Charles Edward Arrows, Brendan Michael Edward Slattery, Dorothy May Fraher, Josephine Anne McEniff,

14: Lillian Phoebe Nelson, Maureen Therese Montague, David Rea

15: Mitzi Hollands, Fitzroy Kelly, Annie Cook

16: James Bradley, Edward Roper Davis, Frank Southward, Colin Noel Bates, Joseph Philbin, Joyce Kathleen Crotty

17: Angie Halson, Julia O'Haire, Irene Poulton, Pauline Mullan, Joan Thorpe, Olive Eileen Knell

18: Tibor Kiss, Brendan Peter Byrne, Norah Degiorgio, Roy Frederick Goulding

19: Bernard Freeman, Patricia Cushing, Mary Maisie Aldrich, Harry McGee, Laurence Thomas Allen, Patrike Emanuel Koky-Couka

20: Stella Maria Hunt, Pearl Thwaites, Raymond Gray, Colin Barry Pantry, Gerard Patrick Morgan, Anthony Cronin



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 and their families. **Please, when on admission in the hospital or care home, volunteer the information of your faith as you won't be asked ordinarily.**

Holy Rosary October is the month of the Holy Rosary and will be said 30 minutes before every Mass Monday to Saturday morning and 5.30pm on Sunday. Everyone is welcome, please join us. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

RCIA You are welcome to the Catholic Church Are you searching or want to review your faith or may be interested in joining the Catholic community, or wish to be Confirmed. A new course has just started 7.30-8.30pm. Please let Fr Stephen know if you would like to join.

Baptism We welcome into our parish family Lily Wall and Margaret Caufield-Webber who were baptized this weekend. Application forms for Baptism are available from the back of the Church or the parish office. Families need to attend a talk before the baptism. Please phone/email the office if you wish to attend (Next session is Monday 14th Oct).

Last weeks collections £1,198.18. Cafod: £390.10. This week is a Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their families; envelopes at the back of the Church. **Next Sunday:** second collection for Missio which support foreign missions. Thank you for your continued generosity and to those people who pay by standing order and contactless.

Harvest Next weekend, 20th October, we will celebrate Harvest Sunday. We welcome the pupils from St John's Primary School to the 10.30am Mass and they will bring their offerings for the foodbank and participate in the Readings and Mass. We will be collecting at all masses for the foodbank next weekend.

Afternoon for Readers to introduce the new translation for the Lectionary led by Bishop Paul Hendricks at St Thomas of Canterbury, CT1 2HJ on Sat 2nd Nov 2-4pm

Parish Bazaar This years bazaar will be held at St John's Comp School on Saturday 30th Nov. Draw tickets are now available. Tickets are 50p or £2.50 a book. We would be delighted if you could take and sell them to your family and friends and encourage them to come to the Bazaar. Please return counterfoils and money by placing in a marked envelope in the collection plate, one of the priests or parish office. Please do let us know if you are able to donate to the raffle. A box is available for donations towards the bazaar - bottles, toys, teddies, unwanted gifts etc all gratefully accepted. We are also looking for help or new stalls/ideas. Contact the office or talk to Father.

Monthly tea/Coffee -Today there will be tea and coffee served in the Coffee Room after 10.30 am Mass. You are most welcome to the Coffee bar after Mass for the refreshments and some social get-together

200 club Draw September Winners 1st: £55 - Jensen Garratt, 2nd: £35 - Josephine Perrett, 3rd: £25 - Mary Gaskill, 4th: £15 - Ita Hannon. We held the draw on Wednesday 9th October in the Coffee Bar. This was the final draw as it has been decided not to renew subscriptions this year. Thank you for your support over the years.

Fr Stephen Ojapah msp has written a book titled 'Tears and Torture; 33 Days in Kidnappers Den'. If you wish to purchase a copy of the book (minimum donation £15) they will be available from a steward after Masses, the Repository or contact the office. The book is also available on Amazon.

Booking Mass Intentions: Envelopes for Masses are available at the back of the Church, write the intention and put the stipend in the envelope. Please do not use the Dona Machine for Mass stipends

School form signing Fr Stephen will be available to sign school forms on Monday 2-4pm and Wednesday 4-6pm.

Wednesday Tea/Coffee Refreshments are served in the Coffee bar after 12 noon Mass. All welcome.

Keep Fit Everyone is welcome to join our gentle exercise class in the coffee bar on Wednesday at 1.15pm. Exercises may be done seated or standing. 30 minutes £3 a session.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Christ is really present in the Blessed Sacrament; come and talk heart to heart with Him, either on Wed (10am-12noon) or Sat after 10am Mass until 12.30pm; or 1st Friday 24 hour Adoration.

The Archbishop's Certificate: The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) 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 and be able to share it with both confidence and joy. It is in accord with Archbishop John Wilson's vision for a missionary archdiocese and is open to all who work towards this. The course will commence 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 can be found here: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>. If you have any questions please email archcert@aec.rcaos.org.uk

Appeal for Knitters? Thank you to all those people who have made a shawl for our delighted parents getting their children baptised. We don't have any shawls left for them to purchase. If you would like to knit/crochet a shawl we can reimburse the cost of the wool. We are not looking at any specific pattern although they need to be white. Please call at the office if you have any queries.

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.

Mustard Seed Bible study every day @ 8.30pm; Lectio Divina on Fridays @ 7.30pm. Please go to the parish website.

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups.