

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 26th OCTOBER 2024**

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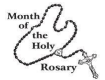
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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Birthdays & Anniversaries celebrated during October <i>(live streamed)</i>	
Sun 27 Oct Thirtieth Sunday (B)	8.30am	Dan O'Kane RIP	
<i>(St Mary's, Denton)</i>	9.30am	Anne Dolan (ill)	
	10.30am	Jude Mordi RIP (Birthday), Masila family Thanksgiving <i>(livestreamed)</i>	
	6.00pm	Maria Bogusz RIP (4th Anniv), Zdzislaw Bogusz RIP (2nd Anniv)	
Mon 28 Oct Ss Simon & Jude	9.15am	Jude Mordi RIP (Birthday)	
Tues 29 Oct Feria	9.15am	Doreen Rodden RIP (3rd Anniv), Edward Breslin <i>(live streamed)</i>	
Wed 30 Oct Feria		<u>Adoration 10.00am-12noon</u>	
	12 noon	Agnes Mizzen RIP (Birthday)	
Thurs 31 Oct Feria	9.15am	<i>(St John's Church)</i> Ryan Bodle	
Fri 1 Nov ALL SAINTS	9.15am	Deceased Dowler & Morrissey family	
	12 noon	Maryann Byrne (ill)	
	7.00pm	Private Intention (Healing)	
Sat 2 Nov ALL SOULS		<u>Adoration after 10am Mass until 12.30pm (Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm)</u>	
	10.00am	Getrude Nekesa Ogoya RIP (Funeral today Kenya)	
	11.00am	<i>St Katherine's, Shorne</i>	
First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Thanksgiving for Golden Wedding Anniv (Chris Moreton) <i>(live streamed)</i>	
Sun 3 Nov Thirty-First Sunday (B)	8.30am	Deceased Sisters of Mercy, St Joseph's Convent of Mercy	
<i>(St Mary's, Denton)</i>	9.30am		
	10.30am	Joseph Ayodeji (Anniv), Janet Payne RIP <i>(livestreamed)</i>	
	6.00pm		



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

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

Robert Vince - Requiem at St Katherine's Monday 18th 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...*

27: Sylvester Healy, Sheila Mary Ring, Anne Catherine Davis, Peggie Britton, Anna Geraldina Brenchley, Shirley Elizabeth Wakefield, Miriama Pokutova, Sheila Wilders, Teresa Bains

28: Kathleen Charlton, Josephine McGaley, Alexander Ross, Eileen Freeman, Kathleen Jones, David Read, Columba (Colm) Murphy

29: Harry Holland, Catherine Walsh, Noel Nicholl, Baby Angelica Candace Serena Bradley, Edward Breslin, Mary Markie Green, Doreen May Rodden, Mary Moran,

30: Frank McDermott, Adelaide Josephine Minelli, Frank Higgins, Daniel O'Connor

31: Ronald Fowell, Mario Di Nonno, Theresa Mary Lappin, Susan Davis

1: James Ryan, Bridie Smyth, Sean Cullen, Jimmy Hatchett, Lawrie Freeman, Brian Gabriel Robinson, Martin Jeremiah Murphy

2: Julie Anne Green, Maud Isobel Heaver, Peter John Fitzgerald, Georgina Eileen Emma Saunders, Stephen Walsh



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.**

All Saints and All Souls Friday is the celebration of All Saints and is a Holy day of obligation and Saturday the feast of All Souls. Please see the extra Mass times.

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.

Baptism We welcome into our parish family Eden Rose Erangey who was 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 11th Nov).

Last weeks collections £1,341.21. Mission £712.41. Thank you for your continued generosity and to those people who pay by standing order and contactless.

Coffee Morning. Our SVP group invites you all to a coffee morning after 8.30am & 10.30am Masses this Sunday 27th Oct in aid of SVP South Sudan Appeal. All proceeds will be donated to support the work of SVP in South Sudan.

Foodbank Thanks Thank you for your generous Harvest donations last weekend & very special thanks to St John's Primary School for their wonderful contribution. We were able to deliver 327 kg of much needed food & other essentials to help local families in need.

School form signing Fr Stephen will be available to sign school forms on Monday 3-5pm & Wednesday 2-4pm.

November Please collect an envelope and list deceased family & friends and place into the basket available on the altar. They will be remembered at all Masses during November and a Mass on 30th November at 6pm.

Remembrance Mass will be celebrated at St John's on Wednesday 13th November at 12 noon to remember and pray for all our family and friends who have died. We read out the names of those who have died in our parish during the last year and you are invited to light a candle for them and your family. We warmly invite everyone to join us for this annual Mass. Please, if you have lost anyone in the past 2 years, let us have the names through the Secretary so that we could include in the names to be read out.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held in the Church this Friday 1st Nov. It will start at 2.30pm with Rosary, 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition. All are welcome to join us.

There will be 24 hours continuous Adoration on Friday 4th Oct after 9.15am Mass until 10.00am Saturday 5th Oct. If you are able, please sign the clipboard at the back of the Church so that we can be sure that there will always be someone with Our Lord. Adoration also held on Wednesday 10-12 and Saturday 10.30-12.30pm

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary On the first Saturday each month a service is held 11.30-12.30pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer next Sat 2nd Nov.

Parish Bazaar This year's 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 for 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.

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 Moses know if you would like to join.

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

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

Mother's prayer group will take place straight after the 9.15 mass on Friday 11th October. Join us if you can.

Admission to Primary School 2025 If your child is due to start primary school from September 2025, applications will be open on line with KCC at www.kent.gov.uk/ola between Tuesday 5th November and Wednesday 15th January 2025. If you do not have access to the internet and require a paper form (RCAF), please contact the Primary Admissions Team on 03000412121 - Any queries, please contact St John's Catholic Primary School on 01474534546.

Open Morning at St John's Catholic Primary School - If your child is due to start school in September 2025, please bring your child along to our open morning on Saturday 16th November. Please telephone 01474361609 to book a start time: 11.00 11:30 12:00 or 12:30. We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

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.

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups.