

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 28th JUNE 2025

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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday) 6.00pm *(live streamed)* Mary & Patrick Morrissey RIP, Kevin Dowler RIP

Sun 29 June St Peter & St Paul
(St Mary's, Denton)
(livestreamed, Youth Mass)

8.30am Welfare of Kath Smyth
 9.30am Birthdays & Anniversaries celebrated in June
 10.30am Colman Flaherty RIP
 6.00pm

Mon 30 June Feria

9.15am Kevin Dowler RIP (45th Anniv)

Tues 1 July St Oliver Plunkett

9.15am *(live streamed)* Sr Paul's Int

Wed 2 July Feria

Adoration 10.00am-12noon

12 noon Private Intention

Thurs 3 July St Thomas

9.15am *(St John's School)*

Fri 4 July St Elizabeth

9.15am Margaret Perrin RIP

Sat 5 July BVM

Adoration After 10am Mass until 12.30pm, Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm

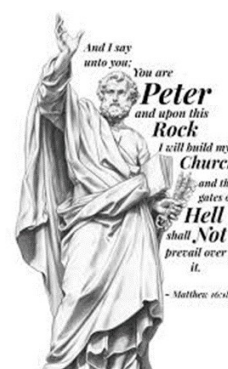
10.00am

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)

6.00pm *(live streamed)* Josephine Thompson

Sun 6 July Fourteenth Sunday (C)
(St Mary's, Denton)
(livestreamed, Youth Mass)

8.30am Susanne Gibbons Int
 9.30am
 10.30am Colonel Michael & Catherine Erhabor
 6.00pm



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

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....

29: Elizabeth Jessie Costello, Sister M. Teresa Donnelly, Frank Edward Alfred Aldrich, Alexandra Maud Pender, Patrick Joseph Cummins, Mary Miles, Valarie Ann Ricketts, Dorothy May Jackson, Kiwi Rocket,

30: Sarah Price, James Frederick Green, Walter Thomas Everden, Richard Dougal, Eddie Neary, Lydia Ann Pryor, Antonia Angelina Lamb

1: Doris Mary Robinson, Annie Kate Rudge, Sheila Seddon

2: Jeana Pamela Ciantanni, Antica Zovko, Maureen Cook

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 Burburry, Ernest Ramsey, Baby Joseph Ferguson, Benjamin Joseph Abeydeera, Barbara Amy Meadows

6: John Nunn, Phyllis O'Brien, Gerard Pierre Joseph Cartier, Rodney Dennis Rixson, Patricia Ann Berry ***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 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.**

MSP Youth Event MSP is inviting young people for a social and spiritual experience that includes sports, singing, games and prayers at St John's Comprehensive School on Saturday 2nd August from 10.30am to 5pm.

Last weeks collections £1,417.56. **This week:** Second collection next weekend for Peter's Pence.

Next week: A second collection for Sella Maris - a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers with Port chaplains and volunteer ship visitors at more than 250 ports. Modern seafarer life can be dangerous and lonely separated from their families. Stella Maris relies on wholly voluntary contributions.

Thank you for your continued generosity and to those people who pay by standing order and contactless. Thanks also to our parishioners who have signed up for Gift Aid, increasing their donations by 25% at no extra cost to them.

We are ever so grateful.

Confirmation Certificates are available for collection from the Sacristy after any Mass.

Baptism We welcome into our parish family Jacqueline Buncikova Sidelkova and Luca Faro 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 preparation session before the baptism (the next session is Monday 14th July @7pm). Please email the office.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held in the Church this Friday 4th July. It will start at 2.30pm with Rosary, 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition. Mass will be 3.45pm. All are welcome to join us.

There will be 24hours continuous Adoration on Friday 4th July after 9.15am Mass until 10.00am Sat 5th July. 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 noon and Saturday 10.30-12.30pm

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary On the first Saturday of each month a service will be held immediately after Mass in the Church. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer next Saturday 5th July.

KSC Council 977 Annual Dinner Dance and Fundraising Next Saturday 5th July 2025 at The Riverside Community Centre, Dickens Road, Gravesend DA12 2JY, Tickets: £30, 7-11pm. Dress code: This is a black tie event, Raffle Prizes to be won on the night. For tickets please contact Brother Michael Afeeva on 07958112644 or a member of the Knights of St. Columba.

Altar Servers New Servers are welcome to join us. For more information please speak to Fr Stephen, Fr Moses, Graham or Jacky after any Mass.

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.

Wednesday Teas Whilst the Coffee Bar is being refurbished there will be no refreshments after Mass. We look forward to meeting again once the work is complete.

Summertime 2025: 6th Aug – 9th Aug: Altar Servers Trip to Westminster Pastoral Centre, £189. For aged 11-16. We commend this excellent residential trip for altar servers and those who regularly attend mass on the weekend. In an event that has now gone on for more than 20 years, it is a few days for deepening one's catholic faith, in a great social atmosphere, including football, sports and visit to Thorpe Park. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm's Dartford, see your parish priest for a form, or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St, Stephen, Dartford@rcaos.org.uk, Tel:01322 220075. Applications in the porch.

Catechetical Institute Every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our school, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>.

Southward Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes There are still a few places available on the pilgrimage, which Southwark makes to Lourdes from 22 to 29 August this year. For information and booking, please see <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/> There are a range of hotels available, though most Southwark pilgrims will be staying at the Hotel Eliseo. Further information is available from Bishop Paul paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk or Canon Perera edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk

Lourdes Pilgrimage St Anselm's Dartford Parish are organizing a pilgrimage to Lourdes from October 27th – 30th at a cost of £399 per person. More information and application forms are available at the back of the Church

Booking Mass Intentions: Envelopes for Masses are available at the back of the Church, write the intention and put the stipend in the envelope 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.

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups