

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 13th JUNE 2026**

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Presbytery/ Parish office open 10am-3pm **Mon:** Sr Elizabeth **Tues, Wed & Thurs:** Teresa Potter **Fri:** Jacky Hardy

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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

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**First Mass of Sunday (Saturday)
Sun 14 June Eleventh Sunday (A)**

(St Mary's, Denton)

6.00pm Nathaniel Ofili (Birthday),
8.15am Roy Cattermole RIP (2nd Anniv), Endaline & family Intention,
Patrick Kenny RIP (3rd Anniv), Rupina & Obare family (Thanksgiving)
9.30am Eda Kilcullen (wellbeing)
11.00am Kathleen Bodunrin (Birthday), Nathaniel Ofili (Birthday),
Sir P.K. Ishola RIP (6th Anniv)

Mon 15 June Feria

6.00pm For all Parishioners
9.15am Fr Joseph Smith Intention (60th Anniversary of his Ordination)
6.30pm Solape Badero RIP

Tues 16 June Feria

9.15am Paul-Henri Amon (Birthday)

Wed 17 June Feria

Adoration until 12noon

12 noon Maria Teresa Brown RIP (80th b/d), Chloe Grace Gomes 1st birthday

Thurs 18 June Feria

9.15am *(St John's Primary School)* Simon & Emma Hadley

Fri 19 June St John Rigby

9.15am Florence Oresanya RIP

Sat 20 June St Alban

Adoration After 10am Mass , Reconciliation until 12.00pm

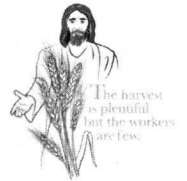
10.00am Marian Know (wellbeing)

First Mass of Sunday (Saturday)

Sun 21 June Twelfth Sunday (A)

(St Mary's, Denton)

6.00pm Sr Elizabeth (wellbeing), Marie O'Donnell RIP
8.15am Dan O'Kane, George Baldwin & Derek Harriss
9.30am Paddy Flaherty RIP (25th Anniv), Rev H B Harkin (90th Birthday)
11.00am For all Parishioners
6.00pm David & Eileen Gurney RIP



The Church will be open for private prayer Mon- Friday until 3pm



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 through the mercy of God rest in peace

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

May they rest in peace

- 14: Patricia Marie Grant, Michela Grillo, William James Hawkins, Bernard Thomas Giles, Elizabeth McLennan, Theresa Margaret Mary Hammond
15: Martin Louis Boffa, Thomasina Cairney Connor, Joan Ramsey, Josephine Mary Long,
16: Reg Sands, Teresa Mary Clarke, Eileen May Jones, Gerard Doherty, Terence David McSweeney, Sister M. Gertrude Russell, Sister M. Gerard O'Brien, Susan Jean Heritage
17: Audrey Lumsden, Margaret Tingle, Herbert Reginald Barrows, Iris Clara Thorley, Annie Iris (Babs) Strong, Eileen Dorothy Yates, Joyce Ellen Thompson
18: Francis Joseph Freeman, Jimmy Green, Irene Margaret Kavanagh, Edith Agnes Thompson, John Keane,
19: Baby John Strickland, Elsie Ethel Finn, Bridget Griffen, Jacqueline Rossi, Jeano Razsahegyi,
20: Frances Dorothy Durrant, Gerardo Antonio Ciantanni
21: Thomas Samuel Clarke, Sister M. Brigid Casey, Mary Christina Sands, Catalina Torrejon Robinson, Sister Agatha Nicholl

Sick/housebound Please contact the parish office (01474 352415) and let us know of neighbours/family members who are unable to come to Church and would like to receive Communion. We remember in our prayers those who are sick, housebound or in hospital & those who care for them and their families. When on admission in the hospital or care home, volunteer the information of your faith as you won't be asked ordinarily.

Father Joseph Smith The Mass on Monday to celebrate Fr Joe's 60th anniversary of his Ordination has been postponed. Please remember Fr Joe in your prayers.

Baptisms We welcome into our parish family Antonio Michael Ficchi who was baptised this weekend. Application forms for Baptism are available from the Sacristy. Please see the Priest after Mass to ask for a form. Families need to attend a preparation session before the baptism (**next session is Monday 13th July @7pm - parents only**) or email the office.

Wedding Our prayers, congratulations and best wishes to Amie Jones and Samuel Ollington on their wedding this weekend at St John's. Please make an appointment to see the Parish Priest if you would like to get married at St John's. Six months notice is required.

Solape Badero RIP There will be Mass offered on Monday 15th June at 6.30pm for the peaceful repose of Solape.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Christ is really present in the Blessed Sacrament; come and talk heart to heart with Him, either on Wed 10.00-12 or Sat after 10am Mass until 12.30pm; or 1st Friday 24 hour Adoration.

School Forms The priest will be available to sign school forms this Wednesday between 1-3pm. Please ring on the Presbytery bell.

Last weeks collections St John's: £913.18, St Mary's: £232.36, St Katherine's £45.00. First Holy Communion Masses £485.90, Kneelers £50, Standing orders for May £1,991.00, Dona Machine for May £1,575.00.

Next Sunday: There will be a second collection for Day for Life. This day is dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. **Thank you** for your support and continued generosity. Thank you also to our parishioners who have signed up for Gift Aid increasing their donations by 25% at no extra cost to them, & those who donate by contactless & standing order. If you wish to set up a standing order, St Johns Church bank details are: Account name: 'RCAS a Registered Charity re St Johns Church', Sort code: 60-09-10 Nat West Bank, Account No: 07722915.

Servers Practice will take place at 1pm on 20th June.

Foodbank We will be collecting this weekend 13/14th June. Most needed items are tinned custard, rice pudding, cold meat, baked beans, honey, peanut butter & longlife milk. Thank you for helping those in need.

Social Committee Would all those willing to help on a Social Committee and those on the WhatsApp group please come to a short meeting next Sunday 21st June after the 11am Mass.

KSC Council 977 Annual Dinner Dance and Fundraising Saturday 4th July 2026 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.

Children's Liturgy We welcome children of age 4-8 to weekly sessions at the 11am Mass. Please, speak to a member of Children's Liturgy team to find out more details

Padre Pio Prayer Group meet 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.

Booking Mass Intentions: Envelopes for Masses are available at the back of the Church, write the intention (RIP, unwell, anniversary, thanksgiving etc) and put the stipend in the envelope and hand to one of the priests or drop into the Presbytery letterbox, 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 Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm for an hour in the church coffee bar. All are welcome. Free entry and free refreshments. Next meeting 8th July; come and talk about your own choice of book. Organised by Gravesham with Ebbsfleet Rotary.

Stamps Sister Delores is collecting stamps for the RNIB. Please place any donations in the box at the back of the Church. Thank you for the recent donation of stamps -. there have been some very interesting ones.

More Human Pope Leo has just published a new encyclical Magnifica Humanitas. It speaks about what it means to be human in our time, especially with in the age of AI. Register to attend on <https://tinyurl.com/MoreHuman26> These workshops will also be online, email info@fcjecojustice.co.uk for more information.

Summertime 2026: 11-14th August: Altar Servers Trip to Westminster Pastoral Centre, £199. For aged 11-15. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm's Dartford. Forms at the back of Church or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St, Stephen, Dartford@rcaos.org.uk, Tel:01322 220075.

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups