

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 27th JUNE 2026**

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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

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**First Mass of Sunday (Saturday)
Sun 28 June SAINTS PETER & PAUL
(St Mary's, Denton)**

6.00pm Birthdays and Anniversaries celebrated in June
8.15am Fr Joe's Intention
9.30am Angela-Mary (Birthday)
11.00am Year 11 & 13 leavers (St John's Comp),
Clarissa Nwachukwu Birthday thanksgiving



Mon 29 June Feria

6.00pm For all Parishioners

Tues 30 June Feria

9.15am Margaret Haslett RIP (Birthday)

Wed 1 July Feria

9.15am Kevin Dowler RIP (Anniv)

Thurs 2 July Feria

Adoration until 12noon

12 noon Eleanor & Residents of Claremont Court, Maeve Proctor Intention

Fri 3 July St Thomas

9.15am (St John's School)

Sat 4 July BVM

9.15am

No Adoration Confession 5.15pm

10.00am Malachy Proctor RIP (Anniv)

11.00am (St Katherine's, Shorne)

First Mass of Sunday (Saturday)

6.00pm Sherin Paul RIP

Sun 5 July Fourteenth Sunday (A)

8.15am Pauline Brennan (Wellbeing)

(St Mary's, Denton)

9.30am Milica Smyth RIP

11.00am

6.00pm Julia O'Meara (Anniv), Bobby Ryan 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

- 28: Thomas Hugh Gallagher, Matthew O'Neill, Catherine Kelly, Stephen Clive Finch, Julia Mary Lear, Albert Stapley, Patrick Joseph Smithers, Przemyslaw Zawadzki
- 29: Elizabeth Jessie Costello, Sister M. Teresa Donnelly, Frank Edward Aldrich, Alexandra Maud Pender, Patrick Joseph Cummins, Mary Miles, Valarie Ann Ricketts, Dorothy May Jackson, Kiwi Rocket,
- 30: Sarah Price, James 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 Burbury, Ernest Ramsey, Baby Joseph Ferguson, Benjamin Joseph Abeydeera, Barbara Amy Meadows



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.

Saturday 4th July Please note the changes next Saturday as the Church will have three weddings taking place. Mass will be 10am St John's, 11am St Katherine's, Shorne, Weddings at 11.30am, 1.30pm and 3.30pm. (The Priests are also looking after Our Lady of the Assumption, Northfleet for a month) Confessions will be at 5.15pm and evening Mass 6pm. There will be no morning Exposition or Confessions.

FHC Preparation Programme 26/27 including St John's Primary School. Fr Emmanuel would like to hold a meeting for all parents of children making their FHC next spring 2027. The meeting will take place on Sunday 6th September straight after the 11am Mass for a short talk. Your individual child's Mass Attendance card will be handed out.

Pilgrimage to Lisieux Tangney Tours are offering a Pilgrimage to Lisieux from the 7th-10th of August by coach. Please contact Tangney Tours if you are interested 01732 886666 or sales@tangney-tours.com. Fr Emmanuel will be the spiritual director.

Baptisms We welcome into our parish family Roman Power, Rory-Lee Arney, Freya Arney and Samirah Carty who were 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.

KSC Council 977 Annual Dinner Dance and Fundraising next Saturday 4th July 2026 at The Riverside Community Centre, Dickens Road, Gravesend DA12 2JY, Tickets: £35, 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. See poster in the porch.

School Forms The priest will be available to sign school forms this Tuesday between 11-1pm. Please ring on the Presbytery bell.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held in the Church this Friday 3rd July. It will start at 2.30pm with Rosary, 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition. Mass will be 5pm. All are welcome to join us.

There will be 24hours continuous Adoration on Friday 3rd July from 10am until 10.00am Sat 4th. 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.

Last weeks collections St John's: £819.31, Day for Life £236.51 St Mary's: £179.89, Day for Life £43.41. **This Sunday**: there will be a second collection for Peter's Pence - offering to the Holy Father is designated to Church needs. **Thank you** for your support and continued generosity.

Tea & Cake with the Youth SVP Please join St Johns Comprehensive School young SVP in the coffee bar Saturday 11th July after 10am Mass. Do support the young people with their efforts.

Saturday 11th July Youth Day at St. John Fisher School, Chatham starting at 11am. Could parents fill in the form on the website: <https://form.jotform.com/251393822250352>

Parish accounts Please find a copy of the 2025 financial summary for St John the Evangelist at the back of the Church.

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. Minimum donation per Mass is £10 for those who can afford it.

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.

Date for your diary: International Mass Sunday 27th September 11am at St John's Church

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups