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All Saints Day

Sat. 1st Nov. 02.00pm CONFIRMATION MASS
Francis and Rose Marie Almeida (RIP)
06:30pm. Robert Brown (RIP)

Sun. 2nd Nov. 09:30am. Maria Hong (RIP)
11:00am. Eily Tom Reeve
(Wedding Anniversary RIP)

All Souls Day

Mon. 3rd Nov. 10.00am. FOR ALL HOLY SOULS (RIP)
12.00 noon George & Mary Donaghue (RIP)
07.30pm. FOR THE POPE'S INTENTIONS

Tues. 4th Nov. NO MASS, NO PARISH OFFICE

Wed. 5th Nov. 10:00am. Flora James (Good Health) and Rajan James (RIP)

Thur. 6th Nov. 10:00am. Margaret Murphy (RIP)

Fri. 7th Nov. 06.00pm. Holy Hour Adoration and Benediction
07:00pm. Margaret Daly (RIP)

Sat. 8th Nov. 06:30pm. Pam and Mick Wessier (RIP)
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sun. 9th Nov. 09:30am. The Deceased of All Conflicts
Scouts Church Parade
11:00am. Alf Oliva (RIP Anniversary)

CONFIRMATION MASS
02.00pm. Heatber & Vivian Fonseca (RIP)

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for November

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



Saints of the Week:

2nd All Saints; 3rd The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed; 4th St Charles Borromeo, Bishop; 7th The Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St George; 8th St Willibrord, Bishop.

Parish Life

Parish Surgery: Parish Office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 11:00am to 1:00pm and 4:00pm to 6:00pm, for all enquiries formal or personal.

TAKE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed all day Tuesday 4th November

Devotion to our Mother Mary: If you would like the travelling statue of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary to visit your home. Please add your name at the back of the Church.

Offertory Collection

The Offertory on the 25th/26th October raised £1150.74 for our parish. £89.73 was collected from the candle stands. Thank you for your generosity.

Archbishop's Appeal Saturday 8th/Sunday 9th November. This Diocesan second collection funds key areas of ministry for: youth and Evangelisation, Faith in Action (Caritas) plus Clergy Care and Formation. Our support enables the investiture in special projects taking place in areas of great need.

Mass Intentions: Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available in church. Look out for the brown or green envelopes.

Parish Registration: Welcome, if you are new to the parish family at St Cecilia's. Please do register as a member so we know you are here. If you are a long standing parishioner, do your details need updating? The forms for registration are on the table as you enter the double glass doors of the church or ask a fellow parishioner, they will be glad to help. Once completed drop the form into the Presbytery next door. Registration helps with parish communication. All are welcome.

Friday Adoration: Holy Hour and Adoration takes place between 6 and 7 o'clock every Friday evening including devotion to the Divine Mercy. Holy Mass follows immediately after the Holy Hour.

The Repository don't forget our repository is stocked with lots of new religious items for throughout the liturgical year. If you are looking for that special gift do call in The Repository is open, after each Mass at the weekends.



SAVE THE DATE FOR
ST CECILIA'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT
 Sunday 14 December 2025 at 5pm.

More details to follow in the next few weeks.

The Church Gardening Team meets on the first Saturday of every month from 9am until 12 noon (weather permitting). If you

have an hour or more to spare, please come along and help with the maintenance of our parish grounds.





Prayers for the Sick and Housebound

Please keep in your prayers the wellbeing of D.H, Adelaide Cotter, Paul Fairhall, Amy Bradbury (nee McKenzie), Marie Goti, Michael Christou, John Rosenow, Mary Silva, Michael Hoskins.

Recently Deceased We remember Kathleen Hambleton who passed away on Friday 17th October please keep her and her loved ones in your prayers. Her funeral will be here, at St Cecilia's Church, on Tuesday 11th November at 2.30pm. Kathleen and her late husband were one of the first couples to be married in our parish back in 1960. She reached the grand age of 95.

May Kathleen Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

A Time to Remember Loved Ones As we enter a period of remembrance this weekend, a basket is placed on the altar at Mass on Friday evening in which the names of loved ones can be laid. A supply of paper forms is available, if needed, on which to write their names. Mass Intentions can be added to the basket, to be read out and prayed for during Holy Hour and at Mass on Friday evenings each week throughout the month of November. Once the intentions have been included in the prayers for the Holy Souls the papers will be disposed of in the appropriate way, at the end of the month.

All Saints & All Souls Day

All Saints Day is 1st/2nd November.

All Souls Day is transferred to Monday 3rd November.

There will be three Masses said on Monday for the Holy Souls at 10am, 12 noon and 7.30pm. Following the Mass at 12 noon there will be the blessing of the Garden of Peace, where the ashes of our past family members and friends are buried. Throughout the month of November too, Masses will be offered specifically for the souls of the faithful departed.

Tuesday 4th November—**NO MASS**

The Parish Office will be closed.

The Blessing of Graves Sunday 9th November at 2.30pm, there will be a Remembrance Service at the Chapel at Merton and Sutton Cemetery in Garth Road SM4 4NW, after which members of the clergy will be available to bless the graves of family and friends who are buried there, or at Morden Crematorium and Cemetery. Anyone visiting a cemetery between 1st and 8th November to pray for the faithful departed may obtain a plenary indulgence, applicable to the Holy Souls.



Remembrance Sunday or Armistice Day is 9th November

We are pleased to be joined by The 5th Worcester Park Scout Group for Church Parade to commemorate the day World War I ended. We

will be holding a two minute silence at all Masses as we remember the sacrifice all those who died in conflict have made in giving their lives for the protection of others, since 1918.



'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. We will remember them.'

A Victorian Ode, Lest We Forget by Rudyard Kipling

Little Church children's liturgy group is back after the half-term break this weekend, Sunday 2/11/2025.



A Nativity We are organizing a nativity on Christmas Eve involving the children of our parish (minimum 6 years old/Y2 and older)

If you would like your child to take part, rehearsals are from 3pm to 5pm on Sunday the 16th & 30th November, 7th & 23rd December. Sign up before the end of 2nd November, the sign up sheet is in the church porch, there is still time!

First Holy Communion 2026 Year 3 pupils wishing to make their First Holy Communion next year please register via the parish website to reserve a place for the catechism classes. Registration closes mid January. Classes will begin early February 2026.



A Parish Youth Group Fr Ben is starting a new group for the young people of our parish, towards the end of November. If you are aged 11 to 16 and would like to join in for activities, social events and spiritual guidance, please sign up on the list in the church porch. Parent contact details are required. Closing date is Sunday 16th November.

RCIA Becoming Catholic: sharing the journey of faith. If you are being called by God to join the Holy Catholic Church please speak to Fr Ben. For introductory information visit the parish website. Classes for adults (18+) start at the end of November. If you have already spoken to Fr Ben about RCIA classes for this year please pick up a registration form from the parish office.

Smart Homes continues this month with the second session on Monday 10th November, subject is Timetables beginning at 9am to 10.30am in the Canon Beausang Parish Room. There will be tea, coffee, biscuits and good conversation. If you were not at the first session you are more than welcome to join in.

Information Technology Workshop It can be difficult to keep up with the ever-changing technological world we now live in. Sometimes it would be really useful to have access to an expert who could provide training and advice with regard to any electronic devices. We are very fortunate to have such an expert in our parish community. John Regida has kindly agreed to facilitate monthly Workshops in the Parish Room. The first Introductory Workshop will be on Saturday 15th November from 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. The cost will be £5 person. This will be followed by a further class on 6th December at a cost of £10 per person. Dates for 2026 will be confirmed in January depending on demand. If you would like to book a place/get further information, please contact Marie Toomey on 07929 973868 or email: toomeymarie@gmail.com.

First Aiders If anyone is a recognized First Aider with a current certificate and in regular attendance at Mass please make yourself known at the parish office.



A Knit & Natter Group begins Thursday 13th November. Bring your knitting, crochet or favourite craft to share a chat, in a warm space over a tea or coffee on Thursday afternoons from 12.30pm onwards. Tell your friends. You don't have to be Catholic to join.

St Raphael's Hospice are holding their Christmas Market in St Bede's Conference Centre (London Road, Cheam, SM3 9DX) on **Saturday 29th November between 12pm-5pm** and **Sunday 30th November from 10am-4pm**. Visit <https://www.straphaels.org.uk/Event/christmasmarket>

Sutton Deanery Pastoral Council The Autumn meeting of Sutton Deanery will be held at Saint Elphege's Church Hall on Saturday 1st November 11am to 1pm. The new version of the Bishop's document, "Love the Stranger" suitable for Schools, Youth Groups, Parents and Parish Groups will be introduced by Victoria Firth from the Jesuit Refugee Service. Plenty of car parking is available & Buses 157 & 154 stop outside the Church.

Mass in Cantonese Every first Saturday of the month Father Phillip Pak, Catholic Chaplain at St Helier Hospital, will celebrate a Mass in Cantonese and English at Holy Family Church, Sorrento Road, Sutton Green, SM1 1QU at 2.30pm. Refreshments will be served after Mass. Buses 151/154/280/470 & 53 stop nearby.

Saint Carlo Acutis Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles'



upholding the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Sunday 2/11/25 is the last day of the exhibition it is open from 8am to 6.30pm St John Fisher Church. SW20 7DB St Carlo was born in London but moved to Italy when he was three years old. He combined his love of technology with his love for Christ Jesus to create a website detailing the eucharistic miracle from around the world, this has now been turned into a travelling exhibition to help in the strengthening and understanding of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. We are blessed to be able to visit the exhibition so close to home.

Red Wednesday 19th November - Aid to the Church in Need at St George's Cathedral 5.30pm, Holy Mass at 6pm. Main celebrant Bishop Nicholas Hudson, Homily by Canon Victor Darlington. Red Wednesday began in 2016 to raise awareness of persecuted Christians in the world. Parishes across the country including our Cathedral are lit up in red. **Wear red in solidarity!**

Youth Training Day Saturday 29 November (Young Adult Ministry) 9am to 5pm at St George's Cathedral. If anyone is interested visit the Diocesan website to register.

A Day With Mary is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 8 November 2025, from 9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> or <https://eventcatholic.com/>

Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSR) - Our team will be contacting all volunteers via email to update our records. With many positive changes, new roles, and volunteers, it is important that our records are kept up to date. Linda Mamedy will initiate contact, via her email northcheams2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk.

Church Security Measures CCTV

Please be aware a Close Circuit Television systems is in operation to protect our church building and her content, The installation conforms to current data protection regulations. Footage will be handled with the appropriate security measures to ensure confidentiality.



Prayer for the Jubilee Year 2025

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

Francis

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

Chorus: Like a flame my hope is burning
may my song arise in you:
Source of life that has no ending,
on life's path I trust in you.

**Every nation, tongue, and people
find a light within your Word,
Scattered fragile sons and daughters,
find a home in your dear Son.**

**God so tender and so patient,
dawn of hope, you care for all.
Heaven and earth are recreated
by the Spirit of Life set free.**

**Raise your eyes, the wind is blowing,
For our God is born in time.
Son made man for You and many
who will find the way in Him.**

SUNDAY *Plus*

All Saints **Divine Office Week III** Year C**Jubilee of the World of Education**

Famous last words

I cannot, therefore, mistrust the grace of God.

I will not mistrust him, Meg, though I shall feel myself weakening and on the verge of being overcome with fear. I shall remember how St Peter at a blast of wind began to sink because of his lack of faith, and I shall do as he did: call upon Christ and pray to him for help. And then I trust he shall place his holy hand on me and in the stormy seas hold me up from drowning.

And if he permits me to play St Peter further and to fall to the ground and to swear and forswear, may God our Lord in his tender mercy keep me from this, and let me lose if it so happens, and never win thereby! Still, if this should happen, afterward I trust that in his goodness he will look on me with pity as he did upon St Peter and make me stand up again and confess the truth of my conscience afresh and endure here the shame


and harm of my own fault.

And finally, Margaret, I know this well: that without my fault he will not let me be lost. I shall, therefore, with good hope commit myself wholly to him. And if he permits me to perish for my faults, then I shall serve as praise for his justice. But in good faith, Meg, I trust that his tender pity shall keep my poor soul safe and make me commend his mercy.

And, therefore, my own good daughter, do not let your mind be troubled over anything that shall happen to me in this world. Nothing can come but what God wills. And I am very sure that whatever that be, however bad it may seem, it shall indeed be the best.

St Thomas More, last letter to his daughter, Margaret Roper

Sir Thomas More by Hans Holbein the Younger

Loving Lord, you refresh us with your presence and you sustain us with your life-giving word. Show us how to lift the burden of others, especially those who lack the basic necessities of life, and to refresh them with humble care and service.  Amen.

St Thomas More

"Lay all your cares about the future trustingly in God's hands and let yourself be guided by the Lord just like a little child."

St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (St Edith Stein)



All of us are in God's hands. So, let us move forward, without fear, together, hand in hand with God and with one another other!

Pope Leo XIV

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Learn to build peace

Everyone knows what it is to hope. In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring. Even so, uncertainty about the future may at times give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehensiveness, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt. Often, we come across people who are discouraged, pessimistic and cynical about the future, as if nothing could possibly bring them happiness. For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for that hope...

As sacred scripture teaches, the earth is the Lord's and all of us dwell in it as "aliens and tenants". If we really wish to prepare a path to peace in our world, let us commit ourselves to remedying the remote causes of injustice, settling unjust and unpayable debts, and feeding the hungry.

Pope Francis, Bull of Indiction of the Ordinary Jubilee of the year 2025:1, 16

READINGS

Today:
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12a

Monday:
2 Maccabees 12:43-45
Philippians 3:20-21
Luke 7:11-17

Tuesday:
Romans 12:5-16b
Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday:
Romans 13:8-10
Luke 14:25-33

Thursday:
Romans 14:7-12
Luke 15:1-10

Friday:
Romans 15:14-21
Luke 16:1-8

Saturday:
Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27
Luke 16:9-15

Next Sunday:
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

