

# HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER 22nd June 2025

**AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM** (For the Greater Glory of God)

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The Church is open all day, every day for private prayer

## FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Saturday	21st June	5.00pm	In Thanksgiving (Sandra & Ken Brown)
		Vigil holy	
		Mass	
Sunday	22nd June	9.00am	Patrick Halloran (John Crinnegan)
		11.00am	People of the Parish
Wednesday	25th June	9.30am	Mimma (Giannina)
Friday	27th June	9.30am	Kevin Staunton (Sheena Hammond)
	FEAST OF SA	INTS PET	ER AND PAUL APOSTLES
Saturday	28th June	5.00pm	Mrs Mary Johnson (Maggie Bailey)
5		Vigil holy	
		Mass	
Sunday	29th June	9.00am	People of the Parish

11.00am | Jean (Grahame Morris)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY; 4.00pm - 4.30pm

MORNING PRAYER AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY; 9.00AM S

(Prayer book: Psalter Week 4)

#### **BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO ARE UNWELL**

Please pray for, Winifred Williams, Jill O'Donnell, Manuel Rodrigues, David Palmer, Mary Fuller and everyone who is in any kind of distress. May the good Lord give them peace and patience in their moments of need.

"May the gifts of illness and old age bring our sisters and brothers the gift of wisdom and help them to be closer to the Lord."

### **ON-GOING CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION MEETING FOR ADULTS**

Our Faith needs to keep pace with our years! As we grow older, so too our loving relationship with the Lord Jesus and with his Church, needs to deepen. The Lord calls each of us to know him better and better, as the years pass by.

Our next meeting designed to help us to understand and deepen our Catholic life of Faith will be next FRIDAY, 27th June at 5.30pm, in our Parish Room.

NB Normally we hold these meetings on Saturdays but for the next few Saturdays I will be mostly out of our parish! Please do come on Fridays. Meetings will last for no more than one hour. We talk about anything and everything you wish. I think you will enjoy and find these meetings helpful.

We will be joined by Sarah, Shanna and Sian who were recently baptised, as they prepare to receive, for the first time, all the Sacraments of the Lord's saving love.

### SAFEGUARDING

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency are seeking feedback from anyone who may have information regarding the safeguarding function in Southwark Archdiocese. Please follow on the below links if you wish to contribute. Thank you

Do you have information to help our safeguarding inspection in Southwark? Survivors' Work With Us

### GARDENING AND PRAISE OF GOD

To keep our church clean and tidy on the inside is a prayer in itself, a prayer of praise and thanksgiving to God. Please feel free to offer your time and skills to pray in this way. Cleaning and tidying of the church can be done at almost any time, on almost any day, just let me know if you need access to the sacristy. The same applies to the grounds surrounding our church and buildings. The Lord can work through our gardening efforts, to create a place of beauty, peace and calmness. We need more people to help with the gardening. You need know nothing about gardening. A willingness to help is all that is needed. Please let me know if you can help or simply come along on Tuesday mornings when our Gardening Group will be there and will be delighted to welcome you.

### **RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR 'PETER'S PENCE**

By reason of the bond of unity and charity, every diocese in the world supports, through this fund, Pope Leo and the Apostolic See in exercising works of charity and mercy throughout the world.

### INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you are not a Catholic or if you are already a Catholic but haven't yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please let me know.

#### COMMENT

Recently, a visitor to our parish, after celebrating holy Mass with us, wrote to me, saying: Being at holy Mass in your parish was "Like being at a gathering of the early Christian Church, truly brotherly and sisterly, intimate and very touching in its simplicity and authenticity."

#### "WHO HAVE YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU?"

These are the words of the Lord Jesus to each one of us, every time we come to holy Mass. Please don't be content to come alone or just to come with someone who already comes every week, to holy Mass. Invite and encourage others in your family, those living next door to you, those living down your street, your friends. Do that and the Lord will work through you, probably slowly and bit by bit. Do that, and one day you will hear him say to you, "Well done, good and faithful child of mine. Enter into the joys prepared for you, for all eternity.

#### ROTAS

Thank you to the wonderful people who have the privilege of being Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors and thank you to the wonderful people who act as Hosts and Bakers for our Evangelisation project, 'The Olde Forge Cafe.'

We live in a time/space world in which none of us can be in two places at once! We provide rotas to make our commitments as feasible as possible. Often, there are conflicting calls on our time and energy. All we can do in deciding which call to follow, is to listen to the Lord speaking to us and then follow the voice of God in our consciences. Trying to arrange the rotas according to what is convenient for everyone is extremely difficult and results in some people doing a great deal and others doing very little! Instead, we will just publish general rotas and simply ask everyone to please just try to do what the Lord asks of you. So, please, if you don't mind, do not send me or Jim or Kim and Manuel who manage the Cafe, dates and times you are unavailable. If we are unable to bring the Lord in Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound members of our parish every week, but as often as we can, then that is all we can do. If sometimes we are unable to open our Evangelisation Cafe, but we open it as often as we can, then that is all we can do. We trust in the Lord to send his Holy Spirit into the hearts of us all and we pray that the hearts of us all are open to his call. We go forward doing all we can to build his Kingdom in this world and to bringing his love and truth to others as the Lord's missionary disciples. Thank you to all the very dear friends of the Lord Jesus who so often put his plans before their own - your reward will be great in Heaven.

#### **BEQUEST, IN A WILL**

It is wise to write a Will so that the resources you have when the time comes for you to leave this world, goes to the people and organisations you wish. May I suggest that you might consider leaving a Bequest in your will to our parish or to our diocese or to our priest as well as to other causes. A gift in your will can enable us to continue to help people to know the Lord Jesus and his saving love. What a wonderful legacy you would be leaving behind.

### THE OLDE FORGE CAFE - OUR WAY OF TRYING TO EVANGELISE

It's good to remind ourselves, from time to time, that the Cafe is not about making money nor is it about attracting lots of people because our coffee is good! The Cafe exists because if even only one person gets to know us and our Faith a little better, then that is great success. We leave the rest to the Lord! Let's not view the Cafe with pagan, secular eyes but with eyes of Faith and hearts filled with a desire to make the Lord known and loved.

#### OLDE FORGE CAFE - FREE COFFEE AND CAKE FOR OUR VISITORS

Please do your best to bring members of your family, your friends, neighbours and colleagues who normally have little, if any contact with our Catholic parish, to the Olde Forge Cafe. Please remember that those you bring with you DO NOT give a donation for their coffee and cake. Only us, who are regular members of our parish, are asked to give a donation, each time, to cover the cost of the Coffee machine, coffee beans, heat, light etc. Dear Bakers and those who provide milk, please remember to take your expenses from the donations received.

#### OLDE FORGE EVANGELISATION CAFÉ

Thank you to all our wonderful Hosts and Bakers for their faithful commitment to this great enterprise. At the recent Diocesan Jubilee, Archbishop John spoke of the Holy Spirit of God prompting us all to develop new ways of being missionary. Our Cafe is a way of reaching out to those in Sanderstead and beyond who do not yet have a connection with our Catholic Faith community and through us to the Lord Jesus. Thank you so much to everyone who uses their gifts and time to be Hosts, Bakers or just invites their family members, friends, neighbours, colleagues to join them and visit our Evangelisation Cafe. Thanks be to God, we are beginning to see people visiting the Cafe - Strangers who can become Friends, through your warm words of invitation.

Please may I just remind you of how the Cafe operates:

Guests are asked not to pay for their drinks and cakes but to please accept our hospitality. If our Visitors insist on making a contribution, then we graciously accept their kindness but please make it clear that no contribution is needed or requested.

Members of our parish however, each time they visit the Cafe, are asked to give a donation towards the cost of drinks and cakes, so that we can meet the expenses of running the Cafe and our parish.

Please, dear Bakers, continue to deliver your cakes each Saturday morning. Hopefully, we will then have enough cakes for the Saturday and the following Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the days when the Cafe is open each week. We do not offer a 'take-away' service so please, dear Hosts, do not give cakes to take away, to our own parishioners or visitors. Any cakes left over, after a session on Saturday, Sunday or Tuesday, please leave for Wednesday.

Dear Parishioners of Holy Family parish, Sanderstead, please double your efforts to bring new people to your Evangelisation Cafe. Let the Holy Spirit fill your hearts and support this practical way of helping others to get to know the Lord Jesus better and better.

Your Evangelisation Cafe is normally open each week, on;

Saturdays 11.00am - 1.00pm

Sundays 12.00midday - 1.30pm

Tuesdays 10.00am - 12.00midday

Wednesdays 12.00midday - 1.15pm

Please let me know if you are not yet an active member of your parish. Becoming a Host or Baker would be an excellent way of fulfilling what the Lord asks of us all.

#### **ROTAS - JUNE 2025**

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

8: 9am Lesley; 11am Linda, Regina, Patrick(H) 14/15: 6pm Paul; 9am Lizzie; 11am Lorenza, Patricia, Maggie(H) 21/22: 6pm Ross; 9am David; 11am Angela, Phil, Marian(H) 28/29: 6pm Margaret; 9am Simone; 11am Carolyn, Lisa. Mary(H)

#### LECTORS

31/1: 5pm, Lisa; 9am, Claire; 11am, Kelly, Jim

- 7/8: 5pm, Lizzie; 9am Mutsa; 11am David, Marian
- 14/15: 5pm, Maggie; 9am Gerry; 11am Chinwe, Richard
- 21/22: 5pm, Jim; 9am Phil; 11am Mutsa, Lisa
- 28/29: 5pm, Patricia; 9am Lorenza; 11am Marian, Maggie

#### HOSTS

- 3: Gardening group
- 4: Admin' group
- 7: Regina, Kinga
- 8: Gaberielle, Geraldine
- 10: Gardening group
- 11: Admin' group
- 14: Phil, Patrick
- 15: Mary, Kelly-Ann
- 17: Gardening group
- 18: Admin' group
- 21: Patricia, Lizzie
- 22: Jim, Simone
- 24: Gardening group
- 25: Admin' group
- 28: Colette, Giannina
- 29: Kim, Grainne

#### BAKERS

- 7: Patricia McCarthy
- 14: Ros
- 21: Bridget
- 28: Marian