

ST. RAPHAEL

Catholic Parish Church

Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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Weekly Parish Diary

Wednesday

Church **Cleaning** after Mass
Open Door **Prayer** Group
In the Church
7.30pm – 8.30pm

Thursday

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament for vocations to the
Sacred Priesthood
10.30am Benediction at 12 noon

RCIA 7.30pm in the Library

Saturday

First Holy Communion Class
Alexander House
10.30am – 12 noon

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament
10.30am -11.00am

Sunday

Tea & Coffee
In Alexander House after the
9.30am Mass

Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass in the Library

Rosary & Benediction 4pm

The **Rosary** is prayed daily:
Monday to Saturday at 9.40am,
except Fridays when it is said at
8.40am. The Rosary is said on
Sundays at 4.00pm

27th February 2011, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) psalter IV

9.30 am Family Mass Jimmy Conway RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Srs. Mary & Gabriella Hogan S.M.G.
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4pm

Mon 28th February Feria
10.00am Teresa & Daniel
Tue 1st March St. David
08.00am Anna Brown (Foundation Mass)
Wed 2nd March Feria
10.00am Joseph & Family
Thu 3rd March Feria
10.00am Catherine
Fri 4th March 1st Friday – Votive Mass of The Sacred Heart of Jesus
09.00am In reparation for the sin of abortion
1.00pm Requiem Mass for Margret Radley RIP
Sat 5th March Our Lady
10.00am All past and present members of the Annett family

6th March 2011, 9th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) psalter I

9.30 am Family Mass Ivo Gouveia De Jesus RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Denis Sumner RIP
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish

Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 4pm

The Restoration of our Stained Glass Windows is in memory of Fr. Dominic O' Sullivan, a much loved Parish Priest.

Amount needed £50,000

Please consider sponsoring a panel for £20.00, which can be dedicated for a special intention, anniversary or in thanksgiving.

Amount raised £34,147.90

Confessions Sundays

9.00am – 9.20am
11.00am – 11.20am
4.30pm – 4.50pm

Saturdays

10.30am – 11.00am

Thursday

11.00am – 11.45am
(when there is exposition)

Thank you for Last Sunday's Collection:
£665.30 loose + £209.00 Gift Aid **£874.30 Total**

If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to burn night and day before the Blessed Sacrament either for yourself, a loved one or for a special intention, please contact: The Parish Office or a sacristan.
Recommended donation £5.00

**The Sanctuary Lamps this week are burning for
Mark Dixon and in thanksgiving to St. Francis**



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THE COMBONI SISTERS IN BETHANY WRITE TO THANK US FOR THE MONEY WE SENT THEM COLLECTED AT OUR CHRISTMAS CRIB

"Dear Friends at St. Raphael's Church

Here I am again to say thank you very much for your precious donation to our Nursery School, which just arrived through the Bank. Thank you also for the Christmas photo. I am sending you a photo of some children inside the classroom and another one with a Sister in the playground of the school. In the background is the 'Security Wall', but the Sister painted it so it looks much better. Also a photo of the closed road to our village, there is a check point, but it is closed. Now the children need to go a long way to come to the school and take two minibuses passing through a military checkpoint, while before they could walk it in only 5 minutes. The number of children has decreased, because some Parents don't want to bring their children in these conditions.*

Again, thank you very much. May the Lord reward you all with His graces and blessings. We remember you in our prayers and we will be looking forward to meeting you again here in the Holy Land.

Greetings and peace" Sr. Maria Jose

* The photos are displayed at the back of the Church

It seems that life for the Sisters has become even harder in their convent in Bethany, please remember them in your prayers as they continue their work in the Holy Land.

NEXT SUNDAY WE WELCOME FR. DENIS AV. CARTER SSC FROM THE COLUMBAN FATHERS WHO WILL MAKE AN APPEAL AT ALL MASSES

The Columban Fathers were founded in Ireland in 1916 by Fr. (later Bishop) Edward Galvin and Father John Blowick. Our first mission was to China.

The primary aim of the Columbans is inculturation of the Gospel in Cross Cultural environments. They engage in Reconciliation, Dialogue and building relationships between peoples of different faiths, cultures and ideologies.

At the heart of their work is the call to help people become fully human, to help establish a world of peace with justice and care for the integrity of creation in solidarity with the poor. In order to do this effectively they strive to read the signs of the times through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, willing to take the risks of meeting the challenges that confront them. From the earliest years the Society of St. Columban has had a strong presence in Britain. The Columban Sisters were founded in 1924

Columban Lay Missionaries have for many years now ministered with the Fathers and Sisters in their many Missions around the world. They are mainly young single adults (some married couples) with a deep faith and a keen sense of mission. After a training period, they are contracted with the Columban Lay missionary Programme for a minimum of three years, which is renewable for a second term and again for a longer term of six years.

Columbans now have missions in China, Chile, Fiji, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Peru, Pakistan, the Philippines and Taiwan, UK, Ireland, Australia/ New Zealand and the USA. The Columbans are international, having English, Scottish, Irish, Australian, New Zealand, American, Korean, Fijian, Chilean Japanese Philippino and Peruvian members.

The Columbans enlist support through the publication eight or nine times a year of a pictorial family magazine called the FAR EAST. The magazine has a circulation of about seventy five thousand and draws articles and features from the missionaries working at home and abroad.



CONFIRMATION

Formation for those in year nine and above, who would like to prepare for this wonderful sacrament, will begin shortly.

Please **collect a form** from the sacristy and return it as soon as possible.

We are in need of **catechists** who will help our young people to prepare. A catechist is someone who is enthused about their faith and wishes to share it with others. They must be prepared to present the teachings of the Church in a clear systematic manner in their harmonic wholeness. A Catechist should be filled with joy and have a zeal for souls. All applicants must be willing to be police checked. If you are interested, please speak with Fr. Vincent. Being a catechist is demanding but it is the most rewarding ministry anyone could undertake.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS



Please join us after Mass today in Alexander House for Tea & Coffee after the 9.30am Mass. Gathering for refreshments after Mass is a way of building up the community life of the parish. Not only do we get to meet our friends

and make new friends, it also enables us to welcome the stranger and befriend someone who maybe on their own and for whom this may well be their only human contact and support for the week. If you are interested in organising a rota for tea and coffee after the 5pm Mass, Please speak to Michael in the Parish Office.

**Please note Mass on Tuesday
this week will be at 8.am**

The new Counters' Rota is available from the Sacristy, please collect your copy today, Thank you.