

ST. RAPHAEL

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Weekly Parish Diary

Monday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass

Tuesday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass

Wednesday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
10.30am Church Cleaning
7.30pm Open Door Prayer Group

Thursday

09.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
No Exposition
5.15pm Confirmation, Alexander House
7.30pm RCIA, Library

Friday

8.40am Rosary
9.00am Mass

Saturday

9.40am Rosary
10.00am Mass
10.30am 1st Communion Class
10.30am Confessions
10.30am Exposition
11.00 Benediction

Sunday

9.00am Confessions
9.30am Mass
Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass in the Library
11.00am Confessions
11.30am Mass
Tea & Coffee Alexander House
after 9.30am & 11.30am Mass
12.30pm Baptisms
4.00pm Rosary & Benediction
4.30pm Confessions
5.00pm Mass

8th May 2011, 3rd Sunday of Eastertide (A) psalter III

9.30 am Family Mass Margaret Findley RIP
11.30am Sung Mass The People of the Parish
5.00pm Quiet Mass Theresa Roberts & Frances Boyle RIP

Rosary & Benediction of The Blessed Sacrament 4pm

Mon 9th May	Feria in Eastertide
10.00am	Aloysius Ferro RIP
Tue 10th May	Feria in Eastertide
10.00am	Jacob Ezechiel RIP (Foundation Mass)
Wed 11th May	Feria in Eastertide
10.00am	George Stephens RIP (Foundation Mass)
Thu 12th May	Feria in Eastertide
10.00am	The White & McCarthy Family
Fri 13th May	Our Lady of Fatima
09.00am	All past & present members of the Annett Family
Sat 14th May	St. Matthias
10.00am	The deceased members of the Ferrari & Stilman Families

15th May 2011, 4th Sunday of Eastertide (A) psalter IV

9.30 am Family Mass Carol Rigg RIP
11.30am Sung Mass The People of the Parish
5.00pm Quiet Mass William Lawlor RIP

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 £35,494.86

Confessions

Sundays

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

Saturdays

10.30am - 11.00am

Thursday

10.40am - 11.45am
(when there is exposition)

Thank you for Last Sunday's Collection:

£578.94 loose + £157.50 Gift Aid = £736.44

There will be 2nd collection next Sunday for Ecclesiastical Education

ALL ARE WELCOME

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 The Collini & Cairoli Families



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

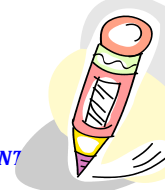
The Fairfield ~ Kingston Upon Thames ~ KT1 - 2UP ~ Tel. 020 8546 - 7178 ~

email jsp@rbksch.org ~ website www.stjosephsprimary.net

Children Aged 3-11 ~ Breakfast Club & After School Clubs

CREATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ~ A CARING & ENCOURAGING CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT

Mrs. Merryl Roberson ~ Headteacher



OUR LADY OF FATIMA

On Friday we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Between May 13th and October 13th, 1917, three children received apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima, in Portugal. The children were asked to pray the rosary for peace, the end of World War I, for sinners and the conversion of Russia. She appeared to them six times and told them that on the 13th October 1917 she would preform a great miracle so that all would believe.

This is the testimony of Dr. José Maria de Almeida Garrett, professor at the Faculty of Sciences at the university of Coimbra who was one of the estimated 100,000 people who witnessed the miracle

"The sky, which had been overcast, suddenly cleared; the rain stopped and it looked as if the sun were about to come out. I was looking at the spot of the apparitions with diminishing curiosity because a long time had passed without anything happening.

Suddenly I heard the uproar of thousands of voices, and I saw the whole multitude turn towards the sun. I turned around, too, and I could see the sun, like a very clear disc, with its sharp edge, which gleamed without hurting the sight. It could not be confused with the sun seen through a fog it kept its light and heat, and stood out clearly in the sky, with a sharp edge. The most astonishing thing was to be able to stare at it for a long time without hurting the eyes. During this time it spun round upon itself in a mad whirl and changed colour. Everything became darkened and assumed an amethyst colour. Objects around me, the sky and the atmosphere, were of the same colour. People looked as if they were suffering from jaundice and I recall a sensation of amusement at seeing them look so ugly and unattractive. My own hand was the same colour.

Then, suddenly, there was a cry of terror the sun, whirling wildly, seemed all at once to loosen itself from the firmament and, blood red, advance threateningly upon the earth as if to crush us with its huge and fiery weight. The sensation during those moments was truly terrible.

All the phenomena which I have described were observed by me in a calm and serene state of mind without any emotional disturbance. It is for others to interpret and explain them."

On the 13th May 1981, 30 years ago this week, 64 years after Our Lady's 1st apparition to the Children, Blessed Pope John Paul II was shot in St. Peter's Square. On the 13th May. The following year, the Pope went to Fatima to give thanks to Our Lady, whom he believed had saved his life. He left at the shrine one of the bullets with which he had been shot, this bullet was placed in the crown that adorns Our Lady's Statue at the shrine.

LIFE SUNDAY

Today Douglas Gibbons, Chairman of Kingston Life Group will give a short talk about Life after all Masses. Life is a national charity which provides counselling and practical help to vulnerable women who are pregnant and in need of support.

'SING OUT MY SOUL'

The family of the late Sheila Fitzgerald have commissioned a C.D. of Chris Byrne, who used to sing at the 11.30am Mass. The cost of the C.D. is £5 and all proceeds go towards the restoration of our stained glass. The C.D. which is available at the back of the Church, has been professionally produced and really captures Chris's beautiful voice.

LENTEN PROJECT

Next Sunday is your last opportunity to return any outstanding Lenten Project Boxes. Please either hand them into the Sacristy or Parish Office. Thank you

GIFT AID

If you are a member of the Gift Aid Scheme, and use the weekly envelopes, please collect your new box of envelopes from the back of the Church today.

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

The annual youth festival will take place at Aylesford Priory in Kent, on Sunday 26th June from 10am – 8pm. For further information please contact the Southwark Catholic Youth Service on Tel. 01227 272 900.

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The annual Mass in celebration of the sacrament of marriage will be celebrated by His Grace the Archbishop at St. George's Cathedral on Saturday 18th June. If you are celebrating either your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th or above Wedding Anniversary and would like an invitation from the Archbishop to attend this Mass, please see Michael in the Parish Office as soon as possible.

A DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR CARERS SUPPORTING THE ELDERLY WITH DEMENTIA

There will be a Day of recollection for carers supporting the elderly with dementia entitled 'The Sacredness of the Human Heart' at Aylesford on Saturday 11th June from 10.00am concluding with Mass at 4.30pm. Please see the poster in the porch for more details or email e.partridge@hotmail.co.uk or Tel. 01303 873 835

WOMEN'S GROUP RE LAUNCH

If you are interested in coming to the 'Women's Group' please meet in the Library at 7.30pm on Thursday 19th May. The meetings are very informal so do come along. We shall be discussing a calendar of events. See you there! For more information contact Dinah Gardiner on Tel. 020 8 541 0115.

IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DAIRY

On Friday the 27th May, Bishop Paul Hendericks will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 7pm which will be followed by the official opening of Alexander House our Parish Centre.