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# ST. RAPHAEL

**Catholic Parish Church  
Chaplaincy to Kingston University**

**PARISH OFFICE**  
**(Mon. - Fri. 9.00am - 4.00pm)**  
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**Parish Priest**  
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9<sup>th</sup> October 2011, Twenty Eight Sunday for the Year (A) psalter week IV

9.30 am Family Mass Terry Summers & Family  
11.30am Sung Mass Rosa & Henry McGarry RIP  
5.00pm Quiet Mass

Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> October 10.00am	Feria Ghazi Makarem
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> October 10.00am	Feria Audrey Mills
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> October 10.00am	Feria David Jones
<b>Thu 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>NO MASS TODAY</b>
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> October 09.00am	Feria Kitty Fox
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>NO MASS TODAY</b>

16<sup>th</sup> October 2011, Twenty Ninth Sunday for the Year (A) psalter week I

9.30 am Family Mass  
11.30am Sung Mass  
5.00pm Quiet Mass

**Please note there will be no Mass on**  
**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, or Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Thank you** for Last Sunday's Collections:  
£519.77 loose + £276.06 Gift Aid = £795.83  
Plus £92.00. for the Stained Glass Windows &  
£60.00 for the Stations of the Cross

## EMERGENCY

IF ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL REQUEST  
THAT THE ON DUTY CATHOLIC  
CHAPLAIN BE NOTIFIED

## WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MASS

Monday to Saturday  
In Alexander House  
(Enter via the right hand side of  
the Church)



**While the scaffolding  
is in the Church,  
please take special  
care and ensure that  
Children are  
supervised at  
all times.**

## Confessions Sundays

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

**Please note the Parish  
Office re-opens on  
Monday 10 October.**

**If you need to speak to  
a Priest urgently,  
please call Our Lady  
Immaculate, Tolworth  
on 8 399 9550.**

**2nd Collection today for our Stained Glass Windows & Stations of the Cross**



### Stained Glass Restoration

Target **£50,000**

RAISED £41,670.54

NEED **£ 8,329.46**

Restored in memory of:  
Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan  
A much loved Parish Priest



### NEW STATIONS OF THE CROSS

TARGET **£18,480.00**

RAISED £8,028.01

NEED **£10,451.99**

#### PARISH LUNCH

A very big thank you to the organisers of the Parish lunch last Sunday. It was a great success with a great atmosphere. There are photos available on the parish website. More next week.

#### PARISH RESTORATION WORK

The internal restoration of the church is moving along well. You can see already the new decoration appearing from the ceiling downwards, if you can peer through all the scaffolding. It's quite beautiful. In the meantime, work continues offsite on the restoration of the stained glass windows and the creation of the new stations of the Cross.

#### PHOTOS FROM THE TOP

You can get a panoramic view of the restoration work by going to the parish website and clicking on "Latest." You can also find photos taken from the top of the scaffolding. These will be updated periodically so that you can see the decoration unfolding.

#### PARISH WEBSITE

Don't forget to look at the website regularly. It has all sorts of information on it and lots of photographs about parish life and activities.

[www.straphael.org.uk](http://www.straphael.org.uk)

#### ALEXANDER HOUSE – WOULD ALL USERS OF THE KITCHEN PLEASE READ

It is gratifying to see so many parish activities being held in our new parish centre. The wider community is also using our facilities.

The kitchen facilities are not part of the general cleaning programme. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the individual/group using the kitchen to clean this area. After the kitchen has been used – all the work surfaces must be cleaned, including splash backs. The floor needs to be swept and mopped – the areas under the units will need to be included.

All rubbish to be placed in black sacks and taken to the bins located in the front car park.

**Your co-operation is appreciated.**

#### THE OPEN DOOR PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer group meets at 7.30pm on Wednesday nights in Alexander House.

#### THE FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The 1<sup>st</sup> Communion programme continues on Saturday mornings at 10.30am.

#### PARENTS AND CHILDREN GROUP

Meet every Monday from 2.30pm to 4.30pm in Alexander House. For more information please contact Anne-Claude at [anne.claude@hotmail.com](mailto:anne.claude@hotmail.com)

#### OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The whole of the month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pope Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus's Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The Glory Be's remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The reason the rosary appeals to many is because it is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

*"The rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at a heart a Christ-centred prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb...It can be said that the rosary is, in some sense, a prayer-commentary on the final chapter of the Vatican II Constitution Lumen Gentium, a chapter that discusses the wondrous presence of the Mother of God in the mystery of Christ and the Church"*

(Pope John Paul II, apostolic letter  
*The Rosary of the Virgin Mary*).