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COVID 19. Please note that in this church facemasks and hand sanitiser are in use. Clearly parishioners who care for the health of their neighbour, as well as their own, will consider very carefully the advantages of continuing to sanitise their hands and of wearing a mask in church, it must be a mask covering nose and face. Whatever you think, thank you for thinking of others before yourself.

Mass Times, Intentions and Information

SUNDAY 11TH SEPT; 2022 TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY YEAR C
10am: Kemi (komolafe) Byrne Birthday thanksgiving
12:00: Ngoc and Fran Wedding Anniv, thanksgiving

MONDAY 12TH SEPT; 2022 – The Most Holy Name of Mary
10.00am: **No Eucharistic Service**

TUESDAY 13TH SEPT; 2022 – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
10am: Marek Kowalski

WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPT; 2022 – The Exaltation of The Holy Cross
10.00:am **No Mass**

THURSDAY 15TH SEPT; 2022 – Our Lady of Sorrows
9.30am: **Rosary**
10.00am: **Sue Peers RIP**

FRIDAY 16TH SEPT; 2022 – St Cornelius, Pope and St Cyprian, Bishop and Martyr
10.00 am: **No Mass**

SATURDAY 17TH SEPT; 2022 – St. Robert Bellarmin, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
10.00am **No Mass**

SUNDAY 18TH SEPT; 2022 TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY YEAR C
10am: **Violet Dunford RIP**
12:00: **John Ramona and Gomes Boila RIP**

Mass at Sacred Heart Parish: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am

HOSPITAL CONTACTS If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know. **St George's Hospital:** Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069). **St Heliers and Epsom Hospital:** Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000) **Kingston Hospital:** Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711) **Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital:** Fr Jake Dicto (020 7188 5588) **Chelsea and Westminster Hospital:** Call the Chaplaincy (020 3315 083 Emerg: 07659 140 566)

CARD MACHINE: The New Collection Card Machine is now active at the back of the Church. Make your donation with your credit or debit card. It is easy to use. Don't worry if you forget or have no cash, you can still make your donation to your parish

CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST: If you want to have talk with Father Peter, please send him an e-mail: peterpagac@rcaos.org.uk or phone him on 0207 223 2747 and he will arrange a good meeting time for you to see him.

Offertory collection Sunday 4th Sept; 2022: First Collection: £617.68 Second Collection: £149.88 Today's Second Collection is for Catholic Education Service. We are grateful for your Support and help to the Parish

SAFEGUARDING: If you want to take up a ministry in the parish premises working with children or adults, you must have a DBS clearance-this is an essential safeguarding procedure that we must follow by British Law. Only Readers are excepted

Education Sunday Education Sunday is marked this year on 11 September - just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2022 is 'enlightening the mind', taken from Ephesians 1:17-18. Churches Together in England (CTE) rightly describes teaching and studying as "demanding and privileged callings" and Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to give thanks to God for all who teach and all who study, for all who continually have to find the right words and deliver them with enthusiasm and graciousness.
Today we pray that God will fortify those working to make our schools places of learning and sanctuary – not just teachers and leaders but all the support staff whose tireless work sometimes goes unnoticed. We pray for all our primary and secondary pupils – particularly school leavers who have had such a difficult journey in recent times – not to mention students in higher education and vocational training.

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? If you are new to the parish then we extend a very warm welcome to you. Please complete the 'New Parishioner Enrolment Form' and post it to the Parish Office or hand it in during Mass. Hard copy forms are available in the entrance of each church

PARISH MAINTENANCE: Please continue to support our Parish with your monthly donation pledge. This is a continuous donation, and the envelopes are at the back of the Church or contact the Parish Secretary or the Sacristan

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES For Information, please visit: aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs Modules begin on Tuesday 13th September 2022.

OFFICE HOURS: The Parish office is open on Monday and Fridays from 9.00am to 3.00pm and on Wednesday 9.00am to 12.00pm The office is also open every day from 10.30am till 7pm except Wednesdays in case you want to speak or see someone.

Parish Diary and Reflection

Sunday – El Shaddai Prayer – 1:00 – 3:30pm	Saturday - Youth Practice 1:00 - 3:00pm Choir Practice:1:00 - 5:00pm
First Friday of the Month: Adoration & Benediction	Tea and Coffee: Cancelled until further Notice

THE TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C



Today, the church offers us another golden opportunity to reflect on God’s mercy and compassion. This is fully revealed in His son Jesus Christ. One important fact that runs through all the readings of this Sunday is the readiness of God to welcome and receive us irrespective of how much we have fallen and gone away from him.

Through his action and parables, He demonstrated how merciful and compassionate he is towards us. In spite of our sins and stubbornness, Christ is willing to welcome us back to himself. Each day, He beckons us: “Come let us settle the matter, even though your sins are as red as crimson, you shall be as white as snow” (Is 1:18-19). Through his merciful and compassionate heart, He is ready to make all things new for us again. It does not matter what it will cost Him.

So, like the prodigal son, it is time to accept this invitation. It is time to return to the merciful and compassionate Lord whose mercy surpasses his judgment and wrath. God has made our return very easy through Jesus Christ. So, all we need is to realize ourselves. Sincerely, and humbly we must make a very important decision like the prodigal son: “I will leave this place and go back to my father.” We must not be ashamed to return to God our father because: “His steadfast love never ceases, and His mercy never comes to an end. They are new every morning, and great is His faithfulness” (Lam 3:22-23).

POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: *For the abolition of the death penalty* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM To baptise your child please phone the Parish Office to book for the class, arrange a date and time of baptism. We request ALL PARENTS, who wish to get their child baptised, to bring their own baptism certificates as proof that they are Catholics, a copy of their child’s birth certificate and proof of address along with the Baptism Form collected at the back of the church. GODPARENTS will need to bring their baptism certificate to proof they are practicing Catholics

CAN YOU HELP: The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children seeks volunteers (of any age) to help with labelling and packing letters and other office duties at its HQ Office in Kennington SE11 4AB. Lunch provided and fares refunded. Contact Elizabeth Foodv (020 7091 7091. or lizfoodv@souuc.org.uk)

Marriage Papers/Preparation: All couples planning to get married in the UK or abroad are required to notify the Parish Priest at least 6 (Six) months before the date of the wedding.

Baptism Preparation: The Next Baptism course for Infant Baptism and Children up to 7 years of age will be on 14th September and 21st September at 7pm at Sacred Heart. Applications forms are now on the parish website.

First Communion Programme: If you wish to enrol your child in the First Holy Communion Programme please fill the online form available on the parish website under section Sacraments. More information to follow.

Marriage Preparation. Please see the parish website or contact the Parish office for details. A reminder that couples are required to give at least six months of an intention to marry.

Day of Prayer for Peace in Ukraine. The European Bishops Conference have called for a Day of Prayer for Ukraine on Wednesday 14th September 2022, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Solemn Requiem Mass: There will 12 noon Mass on Sunday 11th September 2022 from our Mother-Church, St George’s Cathedral, will be a Solemn Requiem Mass in thanksgiving for Her Majesty’s life of service to the United Kingdom and Commonwealth. All are very welcome to attend in order to pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty.

STEP INTO THE GAP PROGRAMME CAFOD, in partnership with their UK placements, offers the exciting opportunity for 18 - 30 year - olds to spend a fully funded year volunteering in a retreat centre or school chaplaincy, where you will work alongside the Catholic community and others to bring about a more just world. It is a great chance to develop a range of skills and gain work experience within the context of your faith. For more information, please contact Arianne at: youngleadership@CAFOD.org.uk; or go to: Step into the Gap - Volunteer for your gap year CAFOD

How To Have A Mass Offered: Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you will find at the back of Church or alternatively you may ask a member of the parish Clergy for one. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to any of the clergy, Parish Secretary or the Sacristan, or if during the week put it through the Priest’s House letterbox. It is important that you use the pre-printed Mass Intention envelopes so that we know who has requested the Mass. Charity Number:1173050 (PLEASE STOP COMING TO THE OFFICE ON SUNDAYS TO BOOK MASSES – USE THE ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH)