



# ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER

16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022 ✦ 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS TIMES

**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm & Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30am. *Friday abstinence.*

**CHURCH OPENING TIMES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8am-5pm. Saturday 9:30am-6:30pm. Sunday 8am-1pm.

**PUBLIC ROSARY:** Every Wednesday 10am. All are welcome. *October Month of the Holy Rosary.*

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Saturday 10:30am – 11:15am followed by Benediction.

**CONFESSION:** Saturday 10:30am -11:15am (in the Sacristy) or by appointment



### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*Year C Ps Week 1*

**First Reading:** Exodus 17:8-13

**Responsorial Psalm:** 120(121)

**Response:** *Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.*

**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 18:1-8

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*Thank you for your generous donations*

#### 8/9 October 2022

Envelopes £ 337.50

Loose £ 251.08

**Total £ 588.58**

**Standing Orders September 2022 £ 3,122.00**

**Church Cleaning TEAM 3:** C Dos Passos (Saturday)

**Lavina** will not be available on Mondays & Thursdays. For all queries regarding Parish accounts, Gift Aid, Weekly envelopes, Standing orders and so on, please email at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk) & for Parish Centre(s) bookings, please email at [sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk) or contact Lavina, Parish Administrator at the Parish office.

### PARISH NOTICES

**Secondary School Transfers:** If you have missed the online appointments, please email the Parish Office at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk). The closing date for on-time applications to secondary schools is **31 October 2022**. For more information visit: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-andlearning/schools/admissions/secondary>

**First Holy Communion 2023:** There will be a parents' meeting for First Holy Communion 2022-23 at 6pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October in the church. At least one parent from each family should attend. Applications to join this year's course close on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 12noon.

**Traidcraft is back on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October!** Come to the Manning Room after 9.30am Mass and enjoy a cup of medium roast coffee with homemade tea-bread and biscuits, made using some of our Traidcraft products. The products used will be on sale alongside many of your other favourites. There will also be a large selection of Christmas cards available, if you are planning ahead! The proceeds from the sale of the products and cards support the work of a number of charities, including Traidcraft Exchange and CAFOD.

**HCPT:** HCPT takes children with disabilities and special needs on a pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes every year at Easter, for a week of fun, laughter, friendship, joy and prayer in this special place. Over the years these holidays have been life-changing for some of the young people we have had the pleasure of meeting. Our local group hasn't been able to make this pilgrimage since 2018 (partly due to Covid) but we are planning on returning to Lourdes for the Easter 2023 pilgrimage. We are currently looking for some young people to join us. We're also looking for some helpers to help care for and support these young people while in Lourdes. Do you know anyone who you think might benefit from a holiday in Lourdes with us? Would you, or anyone you know, like to find out more about being a HCPT helper and giving a child a holiday to remember? Please contact Mary Soane on 07737899487 or email [group51@hcpt.org.uk](mailto:group51@hcpt.org.uk)

### REGULAR NOTICES

**Parish Registration:** If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

**SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH:** A big **THANK YOU** to all our parishioners who have been supporting our parish through Standing Order, Weekly Donation Envelopes, Gift Aid Scheme, Blue Envelopes and to all those who are planning to join. Please continue your support.

1. If you would like **"Weekly Donation Envelopes"** or would like to setup **Standing Order**, please complete the *Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form* available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk) OR please visit our Parish Website – **DONATE/Donate to our Parish.**

2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the **"Gift Aid Scheme"** by completing the same form.

3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelope.*

**Funerals:** To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

**Mass Intentions:** If you would like to offer a Mass, the [blue envelopes](#) are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

**Altar Servers:** Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit [Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups /First Holy Communion](#)

**Stewards & Minister's Rotas:** The new rota is available in the Church Porch and online on the Parish website - [Parish Groups](#).

**Sunday Tea/Coffee Morning:** [Every Sunday after 9:30am](#) Mass in the Manning Room. All are welcome.

**Repository:** The Repository will be open before and after all the weekend Masses - [22/23 October](#). Please stop by and enjoy what is on offer.

**Friday Family Rosary and Fish & Chips – 4<sup>th</sup> November:** Come and pray the Rosary at 5.15pm in the Church, followed by Fish & Chips in the Manning Room. Adult portion £9, kids portion £5.50. RSVP to place your food order by Wednesday [2<sup>nd</sup> November](#) to Cerys Bow 07884 005 190. You don't have to have children to come – you just have to like them!

### PARISH SCHOOLS

**Parish Schools:** St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

#### Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit <https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions>.
- **For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov -Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr),** please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.
- **For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years,** please email the Parish Office for an appointment at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk).

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

**Baptism:** To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting.

All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

**Becoming Catholic 2021-22:** Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

**Marriage:** Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

**Confirmation Certificates:** are available for from the Parish office weekdays. If your child's certificate will be collected by a friend or relative and if there are any amendments, kindly email the parish office directly at [sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk).

### EVENTS

**Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal:** Your generous gifts will support communities around the world

working hard to put food on the table, particularly those worst affected by the global food crisis in countries such as Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan, and help fight the causes of hunger longer term. You can still donate online at [cafod.org.uk/fastday](http://cafod.org.uk/fastday)  
**St Ignatius School Open Mornings:** [Wednesday 2, 9, 16 & 23 November 9-10am](#). The application process for admission to school in Reception 2023 opens on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 and closes on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Application paperwork and how to apply will be available at the open mornings. It can also be found on our website <https://www.st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk/admissions/> Booking is required either via telephone 01932 785396 or email: [a.mason@stignatius.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:a.mason@stignatius.surrey.sch.uk)

**Teacher Training Taster Morning – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022:** Being a teacher is such a rewarding role where you can really make a difference in young lives. If you are interested in teaching, and would like to investigate this career path further, join us at the Taster Morning, you will have the opportunity to observe lessons, learn how to get into teaching, meet current trainees and speak with qualified teachers. To book a place at this event, please email [teach@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:teach@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk) by 3rd November. If you require any further information, please email Angelina Daniel – [adaniel@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:adaniel@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk)

### FR CHRISTIAN WRITES

The central theme for today's readings is very much the importance of petitions in prayer. We can pray in a verity of ways (contemplation, praise, repentance etc.) but petition will always have an important place because it comes so naturally to us. Indeed, from the dawn of time, in every place and among every people, human beings have raise their hearts and minds to the divine to ask for assistance with their difficulties. This is no accident. Human beings are, after all, made for a relationship with God, and so that desire for a relationship with the divine will always naturally arise.

But are we to feel selfish for bringing our needs to the Lord? Would it not be best to always bring other things and never things for oneself. Praying for others is most certainly a high virtue, and to be strongly encouraged, but this does not mean we should forget our needs. Moreover, praying for our needs can have great benefits to us and help us to grow closer to God. Most basically, our gratitude for graces received will naturally bring us closer to God, but what is more important is that prayer helps us to grow in our dependence on God. We come from an affluent society and Sunbury is not a deprived area overall. This can, if we are not careful, be dangerous to our faith because we can so often think that we are okay without our faith. Perhaps we see going to church as a favour, perhaps we see ourselves as okay without God?

Placing ourselves in the position of a child asking for something from his mother, allowing ourselves to be vulnerable. Humility, in a word. This virtue is what the simple prayer of petition helps to build. Let us never be afraid to ask for help even in the smallest things. We may get a reward far greater than we have asked for!

#### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

**Noel Brown, Trevor Morgan, Yvonne E. Craig,  
Brenda Mary Darbin, Catherine (Rena) Jordan.**

*+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon them. Amen+*