



# ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER

18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023 ✱ 11<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.*

**PUBLIC ROSARY:** Every Wednesday 10am. All are welcome.

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

**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.

### MASS BOOK THIS SUNDAY

Year A

Order of Mass: pg.7

Hymns: see hymn board

Reading and Prayers: pg.91

Preface III of the Sundays in Ordinary Time: THE SALVATION OF MAN BY A MAN, pg.66

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*Thank you for your generous donations*

#### 11/12 2023

Envelopes £ 211.49

Loose £ 255.13

**Total £ 466.62**

**Standing Orders May 2023 £ 3,100.64**

**Church Cleaning Team 1:** A & C Roberts (Thursday)

**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

**ST IGNATIUS 100 CLUB:** The first draw of the year will take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, we hold it later in the month to allow everyone to make their payments. The July Draw will take place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July. With thanks to all our Members and Good Luck to everyone in the draws!

**Confirmation & First Holy Communion Certificates:** This year's Confirmation & First Holy Communion certificates are available from the parish office.

**Parish Corpus Christi procession:** Fr Christian and the parish would like to extend a thank you to everyone who made last week's procession a great success. It was the first such procession for over 50years but had a great turnout and the ceremonies were beautiful.

**First Communion tea party:** Fr Christian and the parish would like to extend a thank you to everyone who made the First Holy Communion tea party a wonderful success. Preparations and clear up were hard work but we made it a fantastic event which the children will remember for decades to come.

### 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. 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 visit our Parish Website.

**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 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](http://Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups/First Holy Communion)

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

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

**Repository:** The Repository will be open before and after all the Masses.

### 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 2022-23:** 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.

### 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)

### EVENTS

**Diocesan jobs** – Please see the Notice board or for further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

**World Refugee Day** takes place every year on the 20<sup>th</sup> June. 2023 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Refugee Week, which is an initiative founded in the UK. The theme for this year's Refugee Week is COMPASSION. Pope Francis has called compassion 'the language of God' and 'the path of true justice'. He also says that 'closeness, tenderness, compassion are the style of God. You can read this at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/love-the-stranger/>

**CAFOD Diocese of Westminster:** Community Participation Co-ordinator – Full time role. Involves both recruitment and support of existing team of Volunteers. To inspire and resource volunteers to work with parish and school communities to enable them to participate in the Church's mission to overcome poverty and injustice in partnership with CAFOD. Further details on web page. [cafod.org.uk/jobs](http://cafod.org.uk/jobs) (Closing Date 25/6)

**Wintershall Life of Christ:** The greatest story of all time is movingly recreated with authentic detail, outstanding quality sound and music. The Life of Christ is a passion play not to be missed. It is both educational and entertaining, amusing and serious. Watch as hundreds of actors bring the story of Jesus to life in an open-air epic production set in stunning Surrey countryside. Young and old from all walks of life will be mesmerised as the story unfolds across three captivating acts from 10am to 3.30pm. 27<sup>th</sup> June - 1<sup>st</sup> July. Book your tickets <https://www.wintershall.org.uk/life-christ-6>



#### 18th June Father's Day Prayer

*Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly*

*father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience, support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen*

**Community Movie Screening - The Letter:** At St Margarets Church, Twickenham TW1 1RL on Tuesday, 27th June 2023 at 7.00 pm. In 2015, Pope Francis wrote Laudate Si, his encyclical on climate change and climate justice, subtitled "On Care for our Common Home". In the film "the Letter" Pope Francis brings together those on the frontline of climate change, from indigenous leaders in the Amazon to those studying the effects on our oceans, for a discussion on the growing crisis and our responsibilities for the care of our common home. The film is a call to action, and so after the screening we will have some time to agree what next steps we can take as individuals, as a parish, and as part of the wider community.

### FR CHRISTIAN WRITES

This past week we celebrated the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This great feast of the Church particularly concentrates on the central reality of Our Lord's incarnation: the embodiment of the love of God within a human heart. His heart is like ours in all things but sin, yet above that. It burns with a love beyond all that we could comprehend. Love is the beginning and end of all things in our faith, and, indeed, it is the beginning and end of all things as a whole. After all, the God who is "alpha and omega, the beginning and the end" is also simply defined by St John with the words "God is love."

But what is love? Love is a vast, multifaceted phenomenon which ranges from our love for our parents, our love for our friends, our love for strangers and the love with feel for a fiancé or spouse. What unites them all is that, in every case, love means a deep-seated desire for the good of the other.

This is, however, no mere "wishing someone well." No, love is passionate, it is a fire which spurs us on. When we see injustice done to our beloved can, and should, feel a burning thirst for justice. When we see our beloved suffer can, and should wish to move heaven and earth to save them.

None of this, however, means that love need be meek and mild. If a mother were to see her toddler putting his hand into an electrical socket she would naturally cry out and bat the child's hand away from danger. Maybe the child cries, and is frustrated, but the mother knows her duty as a loving parent. This is true for our love of all people: it does not mean we should be weak in the face of error or of people hurting themselves and their souls. We are called to challenge, sometimes, out of love.

Nevertheless, it is important that our love be apparent. Sometimes this is difficult, but when someone knows you love them and care about them they will be much more likely to listen and respond to us. They are more likely to see our help for them as something more than condescension. They may ask "what is this love? Why does this person care about me?" It is there that people begin to see the love of Jesus Christ shining through.

### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:  
**Elaine Callow, Iris Maton, Helena Eakins, Catherine (Kay) Burbage, David Hardman, Peter Barnes, Christine Stacey.**  
+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen+