ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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N E W S L E T T E R

28TH JUNE 2026 ✠ SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES: Please note that there will be no weekday Masses.

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

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: Wednesday 9:30am. 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. 170
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donation

	20/21 June
Envelopes	£ 222.00
Loose	£ 375.14
Total	**£ 597.14**

Standing Orders & Contactless
May: £2,571.00 & £699.12

Church Cleaning TEAM 6: J Rodrigues, C Lobo & A Vadakathara (Wednesday)

Lavina will not be available on Mondays & Tuesdays.
Parish queries:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk,
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PARISH NOTICES

Family Rosary and Fish & Chips on the first Friday of each month: The next one will be on Friday 3rd July 2026 – Come and say the Rosary at 6pm in the Church, followed by Fish & Chips. Please place your food order by Wednesday 1st July to Cerys Bow 07884 005 190

Sunday Tea/Coffee Morning

Come and join us for tea, coffee and cake after the 9:30am Mass as we continue the celebrations marking Fr Christian's 10th Anniversary of Ordination. Everyone is warmly welcome.

REGULAR NOTICES

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, please scan the QR code.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH: If you would like to support the parish by **Standing Order**, please complete the Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order Form available in the Church Porch. You can also **donate online** by scanning the QR code.

Contactless Giving: The device is located in the porch to the right as you enter. Simply select a set amount or tap 'Other' to enter your preferred donation. If you are registered for Gift Aid, please use the same card linked to your Gift Aid. Donations made via the contactless device go directly to the parish account as the Offertory Collection. For any queries, email: sunburyonthamesbk@rcdow.org.uk

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact 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.

Knit & Knatter: please feel free to join us whatever level you're at we are a friendly bunch of Knitters and Crocheters who meet every Monday 10am - 12noon in the Manning Room.

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 2025-26: 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 (CCP) for Catholic Schools

Important Information for Parents:

1) School Admissions Guidance: Before booking an appointment for the CCP, parents are requested to contact the relevant school office to understand the admissions process. Further information can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions

2) Booking an Appointment with the Priest: CCP signing will be done by appointment only via our online booking system**,** available on the Parish website**.** Appointment periods are as follows:

- Secondary Transfer (Year 7): September – October
- Reception Admissions: November – January
- Nursery Admissions: February – April

3) Parish Newsletter: Please continue to check the Parish Newsletter regularly for updates and the release of appointment slots.

4) For Admissions to Year Groups (Years 1 to 6): Please email the Parish Office directly to request an appointment: sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk

EVENTS

UK PRAYS will be saying a public rosary for the return of our nation to Christ on Saturday July 4th at 12.00-12.30pm at the Lion Gate, Hampton Court Palace, Hampton Court Road, KT8 9DD. This is a quiet side gate opposite Bushy Park. Do not go to the main palace entrance.

VOLUNTEER FAIR: Join Caritas Westminster for our annual Fair, bringing together charities and community organisations from across London & Herts on Saturday 4th July, 3pm - 5pm, Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Ave, SW1P 1QW Discover volunteering opportunities, and find out how you can put your time and talents into action to support others!

More Human: Pope Leo has recently published a new encyclical titled **Magnifica Humanitas**, which examines what it means to be human in today's world, especially in the age of artificial intelligence. Join us for three short workshops where we will delve into this important document through presentations, reflections, discussions, and prayer. Everyone is St. Aloysius Parish Hall, NW1 1TA from 7:30pm – 8:45pm on Mondays: 13 Jul, 21 Sep, and 23 Nov. To register, please scan the QR code.

Marriage Enrichment Sessions for Married Couples: On Friday 17th July – *Believing in the Promise* & Friday 31st July – *Loving with the help of Grace*. Time: 8:15pm – 9:00pm at Catholic Church of St Peter and St Paul, Clerkenwell, EC1R 1UL

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION & PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE: On Saturday 1st August 2026, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham from 12:00–5:00pm (Pilgrim Mass at 12 noon)**.** Celebrant: Rt Rev Peter Collins, Bishop of East Anglia**.** Coaches (7:30am): Westminster (Ambrosden Avenue, SW1P 1QJ) and Southwark (St George's Cathedral, SE1 6HR)**.** Cost: £30 adults | £15 children (under 10) Booking: Scan QR code or contact Nelly: prolifepilgrimage1967@gmail.com

FR CHRISTIAN WRITES

This Sunday we celebrate two of the greatest saints in the history of the Church, Saints Peter and Paul. They are often shown together, and rightly so, because between them we see something of the whole life of the Church.

Peter is the rock. He is the one to whom Our Lord says, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church." He is given the keys of the Kingdom, and so we see in him the gift of authority, unity, and faithfulness in the Church. The Church is not simply a collection of private opinions or individual spiritual journeys. She is built by Christ himself, and he gives her a visible foundation.

Paul is the apostle to the nations. He carries the Gospel out into the wider world, preaching Christ crucified and risen with astonishing courage and energy. Through him we see that the Church can never be content to look inward only. She must always be missionary. She must always long for others to know Christ.

What is striking, though, is that neither Peter nor Paul was chosen because he was perfect. Peter denied Our Lord. Paul persecuted the Church. Both of them knew weakness, sin, failure, and the need for mercy. Yet Christ did not discard them. He converted them, forgave them, strengthened them, and sent them out.

That should give us great hope. God does not build his Church out of flawless people. He builds his Church out of sinners who have met his mercy and are willing to follow him. The question is not whether we have always been strong. The question is whether, like Peter and Paul, we are willing to let Christ take hold of our lives.

May Saints Peter and Paul pray for us, that we may love the Church, keep the faith, and bear witness to Christ with courage.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

Daniel Fitzgerald, Peter O'Leary, Ted Edgar, Kathleen Mansell, John Shanley, John Hayward, Kathleen Connolly, Pat Brown.

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