



29 SEPTEMBER 2024

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

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When spiders unite, they can tie down the strongest lion

Our readings inspire us to work for unity and make it a priority in everything that we do and say. According to Martin Luther King Jr; "We must learn to live together as brothers and sisters or perish together as fools." The Gospel proclaims that where there is teamwork and togetherness, miracles occur. This is because unity helps overcome the insurmountable and reach the unachievable. Unity brings to us the power to make the impossible possible and to change dreams to reality. Remember that when spiders unite, they can tie down the strongest lion. When Jesus sent out the disciples, He sent them out two by two because more can be accomplished when we work together than working separately. Unity attracts God's favours and blessings, for He empowers where there is unity. God cannot empower divisions and hatred. To unite the whole creation with God is why Christ came. Unity leads to sustainability, for a divided house cannot last. A divided Church, world and family cannot be what God wants. Though, unity is something we desire, however, it cannot be willed into life by mere words. It is accomplished when we make Christ and love the centre of everything that we do and say. It comes when we work for God's glory and not ours. When the focus is on "me, myself, & I", unity will not exist. We need to place the needs of others above ours. Remember that God has a purpose for everyone. We must welcome and celebrate everyone and the gifts that they bring. Dear God, thank you that each of us is a special person with special gifts and talents. Thank you that I have gifts that other people need and other people have gifts that I need. Help us all to work together like a body with many parts.

Fr. Michael

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 29 SEPTEMBER 2024 — 06 OCTOBER 2024

(MEMORIALS: , 30TH ST JEROME, 1ST ST THERÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, 2ND THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS, 4TH ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI)

Sat 28	18.30: Holy Souls	
Sun 29	09.00: Sergio Della Grotta - RIP	
	11.00: Philmon Buenafe - RIP (<i>Espiritu</i>)	
	18.00: People of the Parish	
Mon 30	09.30: Maria Victoria - WB (<i>G & N Carro</i>)	
Tues 01	09.30: Tessa & John Rutter - WB (<i>Syzmanski</i>)	19.00: Marky Britton - RIP (<i>Inman</i>)
Wed 02	09.30: Rajani Reginald	19.00: The Lee Family (<i>Charmaine</i>)
Thurs 03	07.00: Tony Dodd - RIP & WB of Andrew Dodd	09.30: The Lee Family (<i>Charmaine</i>)
Fri 04	07.00: Tim & Janice Ryan - WB	
	09.30: Dec'd Mem's of the Kingston Franciscan Fraternity	
Sat 05	09.00: Damayanthie Augustine - RIP (<i>S De Fonseka</i>)	
Sat 05	18.30: Jack Hoey - RIP (<i>P Mitchell</i>)	
Sun 06	09.00: Fredrick & Dolly Sirmon - RIP(<i>FM</i>)	11.00: Maureen Sheehan RIP (<i>De Fonseka</i>)
		18.00: People of the Parish

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:	MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM
MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):	MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:	SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm
YOUTH MASS:	LAST SUNDAY: - 6pm Mass
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:	TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:	WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:	FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass
SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL	FIRST FRIDAY - of the month

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially Eric Powell, Sergio Della Grotta, Martin Delaney, Marky Britton and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Pauline Ferrara, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Rita Reginald, Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Shirlene A., Kathleen McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Hazel D'Aguiar, Elizabeth Jones, Ray Lewry, Wendy Cook, Tony Cook, Nivetheni Robert, Baby Freddie Page, Clare & Baby Polly, Gerry Hague, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Ian Beard, Qiaochen Shi, Ida Rebello, Ravenna Ahmed, Jesse Osborne, Vinitha Sherin, Jisha Nelson, Ralph Smallwood, Adam Martin, Mark Draper, Tim & Janice Ryan, David Knights, Lionel Holland, Gerry Taylor, Angela Bailey, Allan Cook and Colin Stevens.

Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth



TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*And, striking their breast, they say:*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. **Amen.**

The Gloria: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Opening Prayer: O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First reading.

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm:

18(19):8,10,12-14

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping.

But who can detect all his errors?

From hidden faults acquit me.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me.

Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Second reading

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Jn17:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye,

than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Prayer over the Offerings:

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon **Ps 118: 4-5**

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Prayer after Communion

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. FABIAN ADINDU, One of our Spiritan priests working in Brussels will be helping us until the new assistant priest arrives. We welcome him with joy.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL: FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER

We are encouraged to fast or eat a simple meal on Friday in solidarity with the poor and donate the savings from our fast through the second collection next week-end, or directly to CAFOD, using the envelopes provided in the narthex or give online at cafod.org.uk

1ST HOLY COMMUNION: PARENTS' INFORMATION

EVENING For parents of children who have been enrolled for the programme on Monday 30th October, at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESE PRAYER PROJECT: Journey with Mary to Pentecost 7th October 2024- 7th June 2025. Come and be a part of this diocesan wide prayer campaign, praying a decade of the rosary every day for the priests and parishes of our local deanery in preparation for the Jubilee Year and the special Pentecost celebration at Aylesford on Saturday 7th June 2025. How can I participate? Commit to pray one decade of the rosary every day for a different priest and parish every day. Receive a daily reminder via the Kingston Deanery WhatsApp group. Your contact person for this is Anne D'Silva. Please email Anne if you would like to receive daily reminders via WhatsApp at annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk.

DAY FOR READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS -

19TH OCT 11AM - 4PM: Day for Parish Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: on the new translation of the Lectionary, soon to be brought into use at Sacred Heart Parish, Wimbledon. Their parish Mass is at 10am for those who want it. Please bring a packed lunch; tea and coffee provided. Register directly through your parish office or via wimbledon@rcaos.org.uk "

INFO & REMINDERS

FR. MICHAEL'S INDUCTION as parish priest will be on Thursday, 31st of October at 7pm. Please keep this in your diary. We will need donations of food, drink, money, service & volunteers for the event. We are expecting more than 35 priests. Please, speak to Fr. Michael or the Parish office if you will like to contribute and may God bless you abundantly.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED - Please consider volunteering and joining our altar servers ministry to help with all our Masses. Age is no barrier both adults and young people equally welcome. The only requirement is you have made your First Holy Communion. If you are over 18yrs you will need to complete a DBS check and all will need to complete a Code of Conduct Form (including under 18s) The Training Course for new servers begins on **Sunday 29th September at 12.30pm** in the Sacristy for approximately 45 minutes and will run for up to 7 weeks. Any former server who wishes to rejoin the group will be equally welcome, please come and join us for the first session on 29th September. For further information or questions please contact the parish office, 020 8399 9550 or email tolworth@rcaos.org.uk

RCIA PROGRAM: ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND WANT TO KNOW MORE? ARE YOU AN ADULT, BAPTISED CATHOLIC BUT NOT YET CONFIRMED? If you, or someone you know, would say 'Yes' to one of these questions, we invite you to complete one of the forms at the entrance to the church and hand it in at the parish office. The parish is putting together a small group that will meet informally every week from early October that may help answer your questions about the Church and, if you wish, enable you to take further steps. RCIA process. For those who wish to attend, please register your interest with the parish office .on 8399 9550 or email tolworth@rcaos.org.uk

INFORMATION & REMINDERS



The Parish Lenten Project has been running successfully for 52 years.

The aim of the Project is give the parish a charitable focal point during Lent and give everyone (all groups, clubs and societies) in the parish the opportunity to take part in fundraising for projects in the developing world. **The Lenten Project AGM will be held on Wed 23 October 2024 at 7.45pm** in the Old Chapel. At that meeting we will select the charities which we will be supporting during Lent 2024. We are now actively seeking parishioners to nominate suitable charities. If you have a charity you would like the parish to support in Lent during 2025 then please complete the charity nomination form, in Word, which can be found at: <http://www.olionline.co.uk/community/lenten-project/> You can also find blank copies of the form at the back of Church or obtain one from the Parish Office. **The deadline for forms is 20 October 2024**

Once you have completed the form please either email it to tolworth@rcaos.org. or place it through the Presbytery letter box. If you would like any more information please contact the parish office on 8399 9550 or email tolworth@rcaos.org

TOWARDS FR BONIFACE'S FAREWELL

Fr Boniface has taken up his new assignment in Liverpool. There will be a farewell Mass & celebration to thank him for his ministry in the parish on Sunday 24th November. If you wish, envelopes are available in the narthex for donations towards a farewell gift to him.

NEW BAPTISMAL BOOKLET: Are you thinking of Baptising your child? Please collect the new Baptism booklet available in the narthex.

OUR LADY IMMACULATE SCHOOL

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone in the Parish and beyond for the upcoming Open Mornings/

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £265.00

Non-Gift-aid: £800.80

Total: £1,065.80

Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

Please make **cheques** payable to: *RCAS Tolworth*

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking:

RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.

Evening. The Open Mornings/Evening are happening on 25th September – 9-10am, 2nd October- 6-7pm & 18th October – 9-10am. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing all the amazing aspects of OLI School.

FOR THE BEREAVED - Grief In Loss: Hope In Christ is a weekend for those who have been bereaved. This weekend, from October 4-6, will take place away from the pressures of day-to-day life and can help one begin to come to terms with bereavement. It is a time for quiet, prayer, talking and acceptance. The residential cost is £260 for a single, £230 each for a shared room. Due to the special nature of this weekend retreat, held at Aylesford Priory in Kent, places are limited and subject to a telephone call to determine if it is right for you – 01622 717 272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk

OBITUARIES:

ERIC POWELL: Please pray for Eric Powell who passed away on Tuesday 3rd September.

Funeral: St Raphael, Tues 1st October at 12pm

SERGIO DELLA GROTTA: Please pray for Sergio Della Grotta who passed away on Friday 6th Sept.

Funeral: OLI, Friday 11th October at 12.30pm

MARTIN DELANEY: Please pray for Martin Delaney who passed away in America

Funeral: OLI, Thursday 3rd October at 11.00am

A man visited a Priest, well known for his charitable acts. "Father," he said in a broken voice, "I wish to draw your attention to the terrible plight of a poor family in this neighbourhood. The father is dead, the mother is too ill to work, and the nine children are starving. They are about to be turned into the cold empty streets unless someone pays their rent, which amounts to £900." "How terrible!" exclaimed the priest. "May I ask who you are?" The sympathetic visitor applied his handkerchief to his eyes. "I'm the landlord," he sobbed.

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