

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

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A lovely litany of Saints.

Have you ever considered your wife, husband, child, siblings, parents, gardeners, teachers, bus drivers, garbage collectors and catechists among your lovely litany of saints? Probably not. Normally, we think of saints as people with halos in their head and with their hair perfectly blow-dried. This makes it impossible to see the saints among us and see also the saintliness in each of us. To be a saint is not only about what we do but also about who we are. We are saints of God. In Greek language, the word saint references someone set apart for God. God has chosen us to belong to him and be his special people. He has set us apart to preach the Good News. To be set apart by God is to recognised that God created us with a great purpose and with so many gifts. Our purpose is to be one with God in love and in kindness. The saints are drawn to, and alert to, God's radical love. Perhaps we should celebrate this feast of all saints by looking more appreciatively at the love that surrounds us. The saints are everyday people that stand up and help others, and live for others. The husband and wife that love and forgive each other are saints. Our parents that provide and protect us are great saints. The children who are kind and caring to their parents are also saints. Volunteers in the Church who give up their time, talent and treasure for the love of God and others, are all saints. Even when we make mistakes and have our weaknesses, we are still saints of God, because a saint is anyone who falls down and rises up again. They are apostles of hope that relies on God's grace and love. They are those who do not give up after setbacks. They keep pushing even when their strength fails because they depend on God for everything. Remember, you are a saint but not a solo saint. We all belong to a community of God and love. Celebrate today all the love that surround us and remember that God wants to make himself known in this world through us as a Fr. Michael member of the family of all saints.

MASS	TIMES &	& Intentions:	2 November-	—9 November	2025
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Sat 01 18.30: Alexis Yap - RIP (C Yap)

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Sun 02 09.00: Benedict Kilobo – Thanksgiving (M Njaweza) &

Antonisamy, Jebmalai & Janaki - RIP (M Suresh)

11.00: People of the Parish **18.00:** Alexius Yap - RIP

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

Mon 03 09:30: Michael Connolly - RIP (D Kidd)

19:00: Holy Souls

ST CHARLES BORROMEO, BISHOP - MEMORIAL

Tues 04 09.30: Rajani Reginald

19.00: Francis Lai & Simon –RIP (L Ko)

Wed 05 09.30: Joan Lavelle - RIP

19.00: Dec'd Mems of the Ko Family (L Ko)

Thurs 06 07.00: Dec'd Mems of the Lee Family (L Ko)

09.30: Flannigan Family - Ints & WB

THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL OF ST GEORGE - FEAST

Fri 07 $\overline{07.00}$: Francis Lee & Monica Wong - (*L Ko*)

09:30: Fr Michael - Birthday (M Tett)

Sat 08 09:00: Eric & Frances Powell - RIP

Sat 08 18.30: Denis Galligher - RIP

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - FEAST

Sun 09 09.00: Philip Dray - RIP (*A Dray*)

11.00: Alex Maranzano - WB (D Kidd)

18.00: Ralf & Lucy Smallwood 64th Wedding Anniversary

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace.

Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Thomas Haley, Frances Cox, George Trutwein, Mary Ryan, Rita Reginald, Sarah Mills, Thomas O'Connor, Ian Beard, Anita Smith, Tony Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost, Shirlene A, Hazel D'Aguiar, Allan Cook, Claire Pender, Wendy Cook, Kathleen O'Connell, Ralph Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones, Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague, Mark Draper, Tim Ryan, Adam Martin, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Qiaochen Shi, Ida Rebello, Jisha Nelson, Vinitha Sherin, Ravenna Ahmed, Lionel Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie Bria, June Munk, Liam Cawley,

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday: 8AM Morning Prayer (*Lauds*): Monday – Friday: 9AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:

Our Lady of Fatima Devotion:

Tuesday: - After morning and evening Masses
Wednesday: - After morning and evening Masses
of the month, after morning Mass

SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL

YOUTH MASS

FIRST FRIDAY - of the month of the month

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

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**

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: Almighty ever-living God, by whose gift we venerate in one celebration the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, we pray, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of the reconciliation with you for which we earnestly long. 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. **Amen**

First reading Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24(23):1-2. 3-4b. 5-6. R cf. 6 Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

The LORD's is the earth and its fullness, the world, and those who dwell in it. It is he who set it on the seas;

on the rivers he made it firm. R

Who shall climb the mountain of the LORD? Who shall stand in his holy place? The clean of hands and pure of heart, whose soul is not set on vain things. **R**

Blessings from the LORD shall he receive, and right reward from the God who saves him. Such are the people who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R**

Second reading

1 John 3:1-3

Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a

At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for right-eousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

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 May these offerings we bring in honour of all the Saints be pleasing to you, O Lord, and grant that, just as we believe the Saints to be already assured of immortality, so we may experience their concern for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

Mt 5: 8-10

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteous ness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer after Communion As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy and wonderful in all your Saints, we implore your grace, so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love, we may pass from this pilgrim table to the banquet of our heavenly homeland. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

De Profundis (For our beloved dead).

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,

Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,

Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:

for this we revere you

My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord

more than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord.

And let your perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen

NEW AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BEREAVEMENT GROUP: The group aims to offer non-judgemental space for members to share feelings, experiences and challenges related to grief. This can be at a pace that members feel comfortable with. The group will be a prayerful space which will be available weekly during the month of November 2025 and then monthly throughout the year. Group facilitators: Debbie Board and Helen Emmett – Monday Evenings from the 10th November at 7pm in the Old Chapel

Youth & Children Awareness Event: Sun 9th November, 12:30–2pm, OLI Hall All families are warmly invited, especially parents with children aged 5 to 18, to an interactive session designed to help young people discover how they can take an active part in parish life through choir, altar service, reading, the family led 9am Mass, Youth Ministry, Bible Study and more. Parents are encouraged to stay, meet one another and share ideas as we build a stronger, more connected parish community. There will also be light bites and games. November is a month dedicated to praying for the Dead. We will erect a memorial Altar in Our Lady's Chapel with the pictures of your deceased loved ones - Please give the pictures to any of the clergy or to the Parish office before the end of this month.

CEMETERY VISITS: THE DETAILS FOR THE BLESSING OF GRAVES ARE: On Sunday 2nd November 2024 at 2pm at Surbiton Cemetery & 3pm Kingston Cemetery. Fr. Michael and Fr. Bonaventure will be there to pray with you and bless the grave of your loved ones.

LIVING WITH LOSS: Fr. MICHAEL will give a talk about how loss especially grief affect us and how we live with hope. The talk is for all because we all deal with one loss or another. It will be in the Church on **Friday, 14th of November at 6pm.**

ALL DAY ADORATION You are warmly invited to join us in Adoration all day on Wednesday 19th November, an opportunity to pray for our dearly departed loved ones, friends, and parishioners. The day's devotions will conclude with Sung Evening Prayer (Vespers) at 6:00 pm, Followed by Mass at 7:00 pm. Please feel free to come for any part of the day or stay for the full devotion. All are welcome.

CANDLELIGHT MASS FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES WILL BE ON FRIDAY, 28TH OF NOVEMBER AT 6PM. This will be a special Mass for all deceased parishioners and relatives of parishioners who have passed away. During the Mass, they will be remembered, and a family member or parishioner will be invited to light a candle in their

memory as we pray for them. It will be a powerful opportunity to light

send names with dates of death to the parish office or add the names to

a candle within the Mass and pray for your loved ones. NB: Please,

the list in the Narthex by 27th Nov

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: For the Archbishop's Appeal **CHRISTMAS CARDS & REPOSITORY NEWS:** The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, Mass cards and other gift items. Please consider supporting your parish by stocking from the repository.

RED *Missio* **Boxes:** Please bring the contents of your Red *Missio* Boxes to the church during the month of November, so that the money can be counted and sent to *Missio*, where it is very much needed. Any queries, please contact Mary C Taylor Tel: 07985 659266 Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

SECOND HAND LEGO SALE: We are excited to invite you to our Second-Hand LEGO Sale on Wednesday, 12 November, starting at 3 pm in the Old Chapel. All proceeds and donations from the sale will support the Parish Development Fund.

SHARE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS Dear Parishioners: If you want to join in our social media campaign 'OLI Parish Christmas', you are invited to send in videos for us to post on social media. Videos should be no longer than 1 minute please. If you have a story to tell, we can consider longer videos but these will be by exception. You can send the videos to Helen and she will start posting from December 1st until Christmas day. You can share anything you feel comfortable with, for example, what makes Christmas special to you, what are your family traditions and what do you look forward to doing this Christmas. We hope through your stories, we can spread Christmas joy to the world. Helen Orlando will also be available to shoot videos for you on location every Sunday after the 9am Mass if arranged beforehand. Follow us on social media @oliparishtolworth Send videos to 07828704653.

PAST ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY GROUP BY ZOOM OR IN PERSON: Anyone interested in reading and praying the Bible please contact us by em.music17@gmail.com

SINGING: Parishioners' singing group entertaining patients in Nursing Homes in Surbiton: Saturday 2.15pm. All are welcome to join. Contact us by <a href="mailto:ema

FOODBANK DONATIONS REMINDER: Non perishable food/goods will be collected on the first Sunday of the month from 2nd November 2025. There will be a Foodbank rep available at each Mass to collect your donations and offer advice and information as required. 9am. George Hoskins, 11am. Helen Emmett, 6pm. Emma McDonald, and Saturday 6.30pm Leon Confait: Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2026

If you have a son / daughter in year 9 or above, they have made their First Holy Communion and you attend Mass regularly in OLI, they can be considered for Confirmation next year. The application is on the website. Closing date for applications is **2nd November.** Please note you will only be able to download the form from the parish website (other sacramental forms may be in the narthex, but please do not get confused with these).

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

LENTEN PROJECT 2026 - RESULTS OF THE AGM

Thank you to everyone who joined the AGM last Sunday, both in person and online. We are delighted to announce the 5 charities chosen for support in 2026:

- 1. De Paul Care Home (India) Care and treatment for abandoned elderly men.
- 2. Empowering Vulnerable Children (Uganda) Toilets and rainwater tanks for a new nursery.
- 3. Cottolengo Filipino Inc. (Philippines) Residential care and therapy for children with disabilities.
- 4. Suburban Vicariate Mental Health Initiative (Trinidad & **Tobago**) – Community mental-health awareness workshops.
- 5. Holy Ghost Hospital (Nigeria) CT scanner to diagnose injuries and illness in children.

All other nominated charities will roll forward into next year's

2025 Fundraising and Distributions

Thanks to Parishioners' extraordinary effort, the 2025 PLP raised £17,614.28.

Funds came from 15 Parish and School activities:

South Indian Evening £3,007 | Sri Lankan Evening £1,877 | Afro-Caribbean Evening £3,435 | Sponsored Walk £3,419 | Roses Art £954 | Quiz Night £340 | Tabletop Sale £952 | Jumble Sale £409 | H Orlando Sales Event £520 | OLI School Enterprise Event £398 | Noah's Ark £121 | Beavers & Cubs £66 | Lenten Project Boxes £2,165 | Maundy Thursday £507 | Sun 11am Tea/ Coffee £63

Distributions were approved for the 4 charities selected for the 2025 Lenten appeal, each receiving £4,350:

- 1. Vathiry Sacred Heart College (Sri Lanka)
- 2. Divya Chhaya Society Subir (India)
- 3. Obinofia Community Primary School (Nigeria)
- 4. Mapeera Bakateyamba Home (Uganda)

Date for the Diary

Mon 19th January 2026 at 7:30pm - 2026 PLP Planning Meeting

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £647.42 Non-Gift-aid: £725.00 £1,372.42 Total: £239.22

2nd Collection

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Cheques: Please make 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



IMPORTANT: Gift Aid: If you are a Gift Aid donor, please include your Gift Aid number in your online payment reference. If you are not registered for Gift Aid, kindly use "NGA" in the reference. Need Help? Contact Lance Louis at tolworthgac1@rcaos.org.uk or call 07851 070036. Thank you once again for your continued support.

A Prayer For Dead family and friends.

God our Father, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

"Do you believe in life after death?" the boss asked one of his employees. "Yes, sir," the clerk replied. "That's good," the boss said. "After you left early yesterday to go to your grandmother's funeral, she stopped in to see you."

A first-time flier was very nervous as he buckled his seat belt before take-off. He turned to the passenger in the next seat and asked, "How often do aircrafts like this crash?" The passenger thought for a moment and replied, "Usually, just the once."

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