



**ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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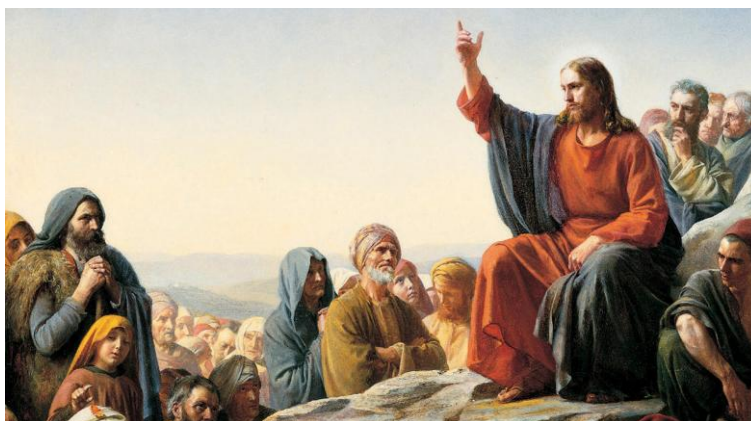
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**A Warm Welcome To All Our Parishioners and Visitors**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025**



Dear Parishioners,

In school, I remember year after year practicing fire drills. We never imagined that the school would actually catch fire, and in some ways that made the exercise simply a nice break from a boring lesson. Although, when I was about 11 or 12, the fire alarm sounded and there was actually a scare. While no smoke nor fire was in the building, there was a gas leak that meant that we could be in danger. That scare made the fire drills all the more important in the months and year following. Eventually, the scare of a fire began to dwindle again and by the time I was heading to university the old feelings towards fire drills had come back.

We can have that same feeling towards our faith. Our Lord tells us that we need to be prepared for the moment God calls us back to Himself. We can think of moments when we were younger and our preparations were more sincere; but as time goes on and distractions take our attention away from our faith, we forget to prepare ourselves properly for heaven.

Our preparations do not have to be difficult, but it requires changing our mentality. We are called to always think of God first and what we can do for others. We need to dedicate time to prayer and thinking about how God wants us to show His love to the world. We should read the Scriptures and other spiritual writings. We ought to do small penances for the sake of others. And we must take advantage of the Sacraments as often as possible. If we can learn to start to incorporate some of these practices into our lives, we are on the right path. And remember, even the smallest preparations can be of great value in the future.

God bless,

Fr Ian

## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



**FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025**

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mass Times:

St Ann's, Banstead

- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August 7.00pm (Vigil)
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am

St John's, Tadworth

- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August 9.15am & 7.00pm.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO  
HELPED OUT AT THE  
SEED SOWING AFTERNOON!**



It was a lovely event, and the adults enjoyed it just as much as the children. It was wonderful to see their excited faces as they sowed their seeds and held their little plant pots with such care.

The seeds they planted for the flower garden will be nurtured, and in a few weeks, the children can return to check on their progress.

We were lucky with the weather and managed to enjoy some activities outdoors too.

Thank you once again to everyone who helped, and to all the children, and the adults who brought them, for making it such a special afternoon.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB



The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 13th August** in the hall annexe after Mass at 10am and will finish at 12 Noon

You can pop in at any time between these hours. All welcome.



Annual Gathering of Laudato Si' Animators in England and Wales. 5th – 6th September 2025  
Laudato Si' Centre,  
Wardley Hall, Salford, M28 2ND

You are warmly invited to the **Annual Gathering of Laudato Si' Animators and Supporters** from across England and Wales.

This special two-day event will inspire and mobilise the Catholic community to care for our common home.

- Opportunities to reflect on nature
- Prayer and discussion
- Mass on Saturday

**Friday, 5th September:** 1.00 pm – 4.15 pm (*bring lunch*) **Saturday, 6th September:** 9.30 am – 4.00 pm (*lunch available*) A small charge applies for lunch on Saturday. **All are welcome!**

**To book your place on Eventbrite:**

Friday: [Laudato Si Annual Gathering Day 1 Tickets, Fri 5 Sep 2025 at 13:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Saturday: [Laudato Si Annual Gathering Day 2 Tickets, Sat 6 Sep 2025 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Please ensure you book for **each day** you plan to

## DIOCESAN VACANCIES

**Head of Finance full-time, permanent**

**Salary:** £60,000 to £65,000

To apply, go to the Diocesan website:

[www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/head-of-finance](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/head-of-finance)

**Communications Officer, part-time, permanent**

**Salary:** £17,500 for 0.5 FTE (Based on a full-time salary of £35,000) to apply, go to the Diocesan website: [abdiocese.org.uk/careers/communications](http://abdiocese.org.uk/careers/communications)

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

**SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST 2025 AT 11.00AM**



There will be Mass for Anointing of the sick  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 at 11.00am.

Refreshments will be served in the annexe after the Mass. Please sign the list in the porch if you will be joining us for refreshments for catering purposes.

# SOUL RITES

**Save the Date!**

**Saturday, 25th October 2025 at 7.00pm**

St Ann's Church Hall

St Ann's Social Committee are having a 'Band Night' on **Saturday 25th October 2025 at 7.00pm** in the Church Hall.

**Tickets £15.00 each which includes a finger buffet.**

Soul Rites is a high-energy Soul, Motown, and Blues band featuring a rocking rhythm section, tight brass, and an incredible vocal line-up. Music to move your soul and get your feet on the dance floor!

**Tickets now available from the Parish Office**

Have a look at the bands website:

<http://soul-rites.com.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/>

## DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

11-4pm Saturday 1 November at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge

To book a place follow this link [Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Eucharist \(01-Nov-2025\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#) or book through the events page on the Diocesan website.

## SVP FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE LOCAL EPSOM & EWELL FOOD BANK

For the full list of food items go to:

visit <https://epsomewell.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Please place in the box provided in the Church porch.  
Many thanks

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Cathy Paxton RIP, Faye Newman RIP &  
John Van Debergh RIP

## FESTIVAL OF HOPE

Diocesan Festival of Hope

20th September 2025

This exciting event is to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope, as well as the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton. It is also an opportunity to be inspired for the future, as we find ourselves 'Called to Mission' by Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan.

St Ann's has been allocated **16** tickets for the day. Complimentary coaches are being provided for by the Parish.

### Who's It For?

- People from every parish in the Diocese – come along and represent yours!
- If you're already helping out in your parish, or thinking about getting involved, this is for you. Everyone's welcome – all ages, including young people and families (under 18s must be accompanied by a parent)

For more information:

<https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/ywito47u>

If you are interested please let

Fr Ian or the parish office know.

## SECOND COLLECTION

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Aug – Stella Maris - £525.24

**This Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August** – None

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August- None

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE SICK

Helen Guinness	Freda Griffiths
Karen Murray	Maureen Reilly
Indira Louis	Ashlee Rodgers
Christian Requena	Gillian Doherty
Joshua Anderson	Denise Rush
Damian Poole	Guilherme Guedes
Allan Norman	James Joseph
Michael Monaco	Edmund Louis
Arthur Harding	Jake Brauer
Helen Kershaw	Christine Hearne
Jane Scargill	Susan Smith
Jonathan Lewis	Spencer Thorpe
Cyrus Pascoe	Marie-Anne Murphy
Patrick Gilligan	Sean Gilligan
Maria Degenis	Paul Worsfold
Dave Hudson	Brian Glossop

## St Ann's Parish Weekly Schedule & Information

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

#### **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

6.00pm (Vigil) – Pro populo

#### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August** – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary

8.30am – Margaret Lynch RIP

10.00am – Gillian Wooldridge RIP

#### **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

No Mass

#### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

6.00pm – Souls in Purgatory

#### **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

9.30am – Giuliana Maggi RIP

#### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

9.30am – Tomasz Wellbeing

**7.00pm (Vigil)** – Pro populo

#### **Holy Day of Obligation**

#### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August** - *Assumption of the B. Virgin Mary*

9.30am – Howard Wright RIP

#### **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

6.00pm (Vigil) – Ava Morgan Intentions

#### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August** – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Peter Raw RIP

#### **Fridays**

The Rosary will be recited prior to Mass at 9.00 am every Friday.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday & Tuesday** at 5.15pm

*(Please check our website or the Church door for last-minute alterations to Confession times)*

### PARISHIONERS IN HOSPITAL

Please contact the parish office if you or a parishioner are in or going to be in hospital.

### THINKING ABOUT GETTING MARRIED

If you are considering marriage, contact Fr Ian or the Parish Office. Please be aware that the Bishop requires a minimum of one year's notice prior to the wedding. A meeting will be scheduled with Fr Ian to begin the necessary paperwork and to arrange for you both to attend a marriage preparation course.

### ST ANN'S CONFERENCE OF THE SVP

St Ann's St Vincent de Paul Group meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month in St Ann's room at 7.00pm.

### SERVERS NEEDED

All members of the parish (especially our teenagers) who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to help serve at Sunday and Weekday Masses.

### CONTACT DETAILS

**St Ann's Website:** [www.stannsbanstead.com](http://www.stannsbanstead.com)

**Hall Hire:** [stannshallmanager@gmail.com](mailto:stannshallmanager@gmail.com)

**Bereavement Supporters:** Joanna Stewart & Cathy Laffer. Contact: 01737 353724

**Parish Coordinator:** Katrina Dunckley

**Office Hours:** Monday 9am - 3pm

Wednesday 10am - 2pm - Thursday 9am - 3pm

### PARISH SAFEGUARDING

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer ensures that the Parish is updated with any and all new developments concerning practices and legislation to protect children & vulnerable adults. In the event that anyone has any questions or concerns on this issue, please contact: Geraldine McWilliams

**Email:** [sg1.banstead@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:sg1.banstead@abdiocese.org.uk)

### INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you're an adult considering baptism into the Catholic faith, we offer instruction to help you learn more. Contact the parish office for more information.

### BAPTISM

New and expectant parents are invited to contact the parish office to begin baptism preparation. Regular Sunday Mass attendance and a one-hour class are required before scheduling. The class can be taken before your child is born. **Baptisms ordinarily take place after 10.00 am Sunday Mass.**

Children aged 7 and up will need age-appropriate Catholic instruction before baptism. Please introduce yourself to Fr Ian after Mass for more details.

### THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION

To register your child for our First Holy Communion preparation classes, the following requirements must be met:

- The child must have already been baptised in the Catholic faith.
- We will accept children of parents who are registered with and are practicing members of St Ann's Parish.

### GIFT AID

Make your weekly donation go further! Signup to our parish Gift Aid so we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give at no extra cost to you! For more information contact the parish office.