



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A Warm Welcome To All Our Parishioners and Visitors

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 12th October 2025



Dear Parishioners,

The Old Testament shows how Abraham, our Father in faith, obeyed the command of the Lord and established the Hebrew People. The Children of Israel were the Chosen People of the Lord, and God gave them a land to live and freely worship Him. That is part of the reason why Naaman, the Syrian, asks for two heaps of earth in order to sacrifice to the Lord: Naaman wants to ensure that he is worshipping the God of Israel, even if he is not a Hebrew himself.

The Gospel today shows how Christ began to teach his disciples that he came not only for the Hebrews, but all people. It is very significant that the only Leaper to return and give thanks was not a Jew, but a foreigner. With Christ's Death and Resurrection, the Old Law of Moses was replaced with the New Law of the Gospel. St Peter's letters and the Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that the members of the Church are the people of the New Covenant in Christ. One of the early hymns of the Church, still used in Sundays for Morning Prayer, refers to Christians as the 'true Israelites'. Christianity is not a religion for the few, but for many. Christ did not come to redeem a small portion of humanity, but all people throughout the world. As Christ tells the Samaritan woman to the well, 'salvation is from the Jews'; but not for the Jews alone.

That includes us. We are the foreigners from various backgrounds and histories. We have had our own encounters with Christ that remind us that we are loved by Him, no matter what our story is. We need to be more like the thankful leaper in today's Gospel. For everything that God has given and continues to give us, we must have a heart that is thankful and ready to express our gratitude before anything else.

With many prayers for the week ahead,

Fr Ian

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS
ROSARY & BENEDICTION

There will be Rosary and Benediction in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary every Sunday in October at **4.00pm**.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE CHOSEN
SEASON 5

Please note that The Chosen – Season 5 will **not** be shown on **10th October**. Screenings will **resume on Friday 17th October** in the Hall Annexe, starting at approximately 10.45am, following tea and coffee **All are welcome**.

BIBLE COURSE AT ST ANN'S

The first two sessions of our new Bible course have gone well. It is an interesting and engaging course and promises to be a rewarding journey over the coming weeks.

If you weren't able to make it but would still like to join in, it's not too late! You're very welcome to come along.

Details: Wednesdays at 7.00 pm

(next session: 15th October)

St Ann's Hall Annexe

Duration: 8 weeks from 1st October

Tea & coffee provided. If you're interested in attending, please do just come along.

FLOWER DEMONSTRATION
THURSDAY 16th OCTOBER 2025

Join us for a special flower arranging demonstration by the talented florist Jill Robinson.

Date: Thursday October 16th, 2025,

Time: 7.00pm **Location:** Hall Annexe

Entry Fee: £5.00 (includes refreshments)

Everyone is welcome, especially those interested in joining our Church Flower Team or those looking for some inspiration.

There is a list in the Church porch to sign if you are interested in attending, but if you don't sign up and find yourself free that evening do just turn up.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER 2025 AT 11.00AM

There will be Mass for Anointing of the sick

Saturday 18th October 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.

SATURDAY, 25TH OCTOBER 2025

7.00PM

ST ANN'S CHURCH HALL



St Ann's Social Committee are having a
'Band Night'

Tickets £15.00 each which includes a finger buffet. Tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses or contact the parish office.

SAVE THE DATE
ST ANN'S SONGS OF PRAISE



We will be holding our own Songs of Praise on **Saturday 22nd November 2025 at 11.00am**.

To help us prepare and include a selection of your favourite hymns, please take a moment to select your top 3 hymns using the link below:

[Click here to select your favourite hymns](#)

If you receive the email as a paper copy please contact the parish office with your selection.

ALL SOULS



Monday 3rd November 2025

Fr Ian will be celebrating a Mass of Remembrance at 7.00pm for all our departed loved ones.

Following the Mass, refreshments will be served in the annexe. All are warmly invited to attend.

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

FLOWER GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers Needed for Our Flower Garden Team Our Church flower garden is now beautifully established and we need your help to keep it thriving. We are looking for volunteers to join our team and lend a hand with:

●Watering ●Deadheading plants ●Light weeding
No experience necessary, just a willingness to help. With more volunteers, we can create a proper rota to share the work more easily.

Come and find us in the garden:

Wednesdays between 11am and 1pm

Saturdays between 10am and 12pm

If you would like to volunteer but you are not available at these times, then contact Jenny Kehoe 07811 538703 to arrange a time to suit you

Irish Night

Friday 17 October — 7pm — 11pm
St Joseph's Catholic Church, Epsom — Main Hall

Due to last year success we will be hosting our
2nd—Irish Night Evening !

There will be Dinner, Friendship, Laughter,
Raffle and Live Irish Music.....

Tickets £30 per person
If interested in coming please sign the sheets
in the Narthex or contact Anne.

RAFFLE

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IRISH

Please contact Anne McEntee if any questions 07923961668

Pilgrims of Hope
Love that Builds Bridges

Brought to you by the A&B CDSC Team

Saturday 15th November
Starts 10:30am

Charles Whitehead
and Kristina Cooper

St Joseph's Church,
Guildford
12 Eastgate Gardens, GU1 4AZ

A day of renewal, Fellowship,
Worship, Prayer Ministry, the
Sacrament of Reconciliation,
Adoration, Holy Mass and the
Holy Door.

LIGHTHOUSE

<https://www.abcharismatic.org> for more information

ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Worsfold RIP

MASS COVER

We warmly welcome back Fr Rigo who will be celebrating Mass with us this weekend while Fr Ian is away.

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
Zeke Peyton (newborn baby)	

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday 12th October – Prisons Sunday . We will remember Pope Francis and his call to support prisoners and their families at Mass this weekend. Prisons are in crisis, and life for prisoners and their families in our communities is challenging. Pact, the national Catholic prison charity, supports prisoners, their families and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around. There will be a second collection to support Pact's important work in the year ahead. The support of Catholic communities makes a huge difference to Pact and to the impact.

Sunday 19th October – World Mission Sunday – Gift Aid Envelopes available at the back of the Church.

St Ann's Parish Weekly Schedule & Information

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 11th October - *St John XXIII*

6.00pm (Vigil) – Vincent Desmond O'Conner RIP

Sunday 12th October – *28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Cathy Paxton RIP

4.00pm – Rosary & Benediction

Monday 13th October – *St Edward the Confessor*

No Mass

Tuesday 14th October – *St Callistus I*

6.00pm – Mary Brigid Motha RIP

Wednesday 15th October – *St Theresa of Avila*

9.00am – Holy Souls

Thursday 16th October – *St Hedwig*

9.30am – Jose Coelho RIP

Friday 17th October – *St Ignatius of Antioch*

9.30am – Kathleen Dunne RIP

Saturday 18th October – *St Luke*

11.00am - Mass for Anointing of the Sick

6.00pm (Vigil) – Georgina & Rodger Corby RIP

Sunday 19th October – *29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8.30am – *Pro populo*

10.00am – George Faires RIP

4.00pm – Rosary & Benediction

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 9.30am to 12pm

Thursday 10am to 12pm

Rosary

Will be recited prior to Mass at 9.00 am every **Friday**.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday & Saturday at 5.15pm or on request.

(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 2nd Tuesday of the Month in St Ann's room at 7.00pm.

CONTACT DETAILS

St Ann's Website: www.stannsbanstead.com

Hall Hire: 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

INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you're an adult considering baptism into the Catholic faith? 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.

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.

GIFT AID

Make your weekly donation go further! Sign-up to our parish Gift Aid at no extra cost to you! For more information contact the parish office.