



**ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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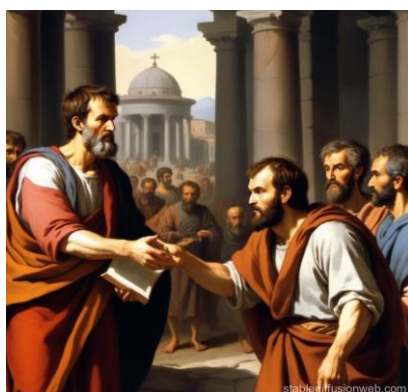
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**A Warm Welcome To All Our Parishioners and Visitors**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025**



Dear parishioners,

Power, love, and self-control.

St Paul in today's second reading tells St Timothy to 'fan into a flame the gift of God'. This gift, which was received by all who have been confirmed, needs our attention and care to reach its full potential. We cannot sit back and be passive to the workings of the Holy Spirit.

In particular, St Paul says that the Spirit of God helps us to have power, love, and self-control. Having power is connected to virtue and being able to grow in virtues and those good habits that show others that we are Christians. Love is the reason we practice and grow in these virtues: it is because of our love for God and neighbour that we want to do good in the world and help others know the dignity that is theirs. Self-control then allows us to increase in discipline - this helps us to focus no longer on ourselves and our selfish desires and motives, but rather to think outside ourselves and help us grow in true love.

However we do it, each of us has the responsibility to put in the hard work and make sure that Spirit of God in us does not go to waste. This week, pray for the wisdom to know what you need to do, and the grace and strength to do what needs to be done.

God bless,

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**. Starting this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE CHOSEN  
SEASON 5

Please note that The Chosen – Season 5 will **not** be shown on **Friday 3rd October** or **10<sup>th</sup> October**. Screenings will **resume on Friday 17th October** in the Hall Annexe, starting at approximately 10.45am, following tea and coffee **All are welcome**.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October in the hall annexe at 10am and will finish at 12 Noon. You can pop in at any time between these hours. All welcome.

BIBLE COURSE AT ST ANN'S



The first session of our new Bible course went really well on Wednesday evening. It was a very interesting and engaging start 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. You need to sign up **this week** at <https://comeandsee.org/bible-timeline/register> Where you can access the first session online, so you can catch up before next Wednesday.  
Details: Wednesdays at 7.00 pm  
**(next session: 9th 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 16<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025

Join us for a special flower arranging demonstration by the talented florist Jill Robinson.  
**Date:** Thursday October 16<sup>th</sup>, 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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025 AT 11.00AM

There will be Mass for Anointing of the sick Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 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 to 11PM**

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, EPSOM**

Due to last year success we will be hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Please contact Anne McEntee if any questions 07923961668

### EPSOM DEANERY NEWSLETTER

The Epsom Deanery newsletter issue #4 September 2025 can be found on our newsletter page of the website [www.stannsbanstead.com](http://www.stannsbanstead.com)

If you would like paper copy please contact the parish office [banstead@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:banstead@abdiocese.org.uk)

### SECOND COLLECTION

This Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October – CAFOD – Harvest Family Fast Day



Waré, a mother of five and goat farmer in southern Ethiopia, endured four years of severe drought, walking five hours daily for water—even while pregnant. She feared for her life and her children's future. "We have lost so much," she said. But thanks to donations on Family Fast Day, CAFOD helped her community build an underground water tank that now supports 300 families. Today, Waré can access water just 10 minutes from her home.

**Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch.**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Prisons Sunday

### ANNIVERSARIES

Adoracion Alaminos RIP, Greer Atkinson RIP, John Redwood RIP & Mary Carey RIP

### MASS COVER

We warmly welcome Fr Philip and Fr Rigo who will be celebrating Mass with us over the next two weeks while Fr Ian is away. Fr Philip will be hearing confession this Saturday evening at 5.15pm before the 6.00pm Vigil Mass.

### 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)	

## St Ann's Parish Weekly Schedule & Information

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October** - *St Francis of Assisi*

6.00pm (Vigil) – Jo Harding Intentions

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October** – *27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8.30am – Sue Duggan RIP

10.00am – Pro populo

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October** – *St Bruno*

No Mass

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October** – *Our Lady of the Rosary*

No Mass

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

No Mass

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – *St John Henry Newman*

No Mass

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October** – *St Paulinus of York*

No Mass

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – *St John XXIII*

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

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – *28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Cathy Paxton RIP

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this week

### 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? 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.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month in St Ann's room at 7.00pm.

### 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