

**ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

## **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025**



Dear Parishioners,

Today's feast is a reminder of the universality of the Catholic Church and our union with the Bishop of Rome. We celebrate the dedication of the Major Papal, Patriarchal, and Roman Archbasilica, Metropolitan and Primatial Cathedral of the Most Holy Saviour and Saints John the Baptist and Evangelist in the Lateran, Mother and Head of all the Churches in Rome and the World (simply known as the Basilica of St John Lateran).

This is the Pope's cathedral church, and therefore the most important church in the City of Rome. Given to Pope St Sylvester I by the Emperor Constantine, the church was once attached to the Lateran Palace, one of the imperial residences in Rome. Since the early fourth century the Pope's used this church, just within the ancient city walls, as their home and office. The Diocese of Rome still maintains its Curial offices near the Basilica. While the Vatican basilica and palace have always been important due to the presence of St Peter's relics, it only became the main residence of the Pope's in the nineteenth century. The Pope's cathedral remains important because it is the focus of unity throughout the world, and it is from the cathedra (bishop's chair) that the Pope teaches us about the Catholic Faith.

The feasts of dedications of churches are considered feasts of Our Lord. The Church building represents the community that gathers there to pray, and the Lord is truly present in every church due to His presence in the Blessed Sacrament residing in the tabernacle (This is my body...), the community of believers who gather together in prayer (where two or three are gathered in my name...), and the Scriptures that are proclaimed (In the beginning was the Word...). The building is also a literal concrete expression of the faith of the people who built it and worship there.

As we celebrate today's feast, we celebrate our Catholic faith, a faith not confined to one part of the world or one particular people, but a faith that belongs to the whole world. We pray for the unity of Christians everywhere, that we all might stand together in praise of God and against the evils of the world. And we pray for the Pope and the bishops united with him, that they may faithfully continue to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to their cities and the entire world.

With prayers for the week ahead,  
Fr Ian

### RECENTLY DECEASED



Please pray for the repose of the souls of  
Fr Simon Hall priest of the Archdiocese of  
Birmingham (UK) and James Elam, RIP

### NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS LIST

Please take a brown envelope from the Church Porch  
with the heading:

#### MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

Place in the envelope the names of your deceased  
loved ones and friends, all those you wish to pray for.  
Holy Mass will be offered for them during the month  
of November. Return to the Parish office as soon as  
possible.

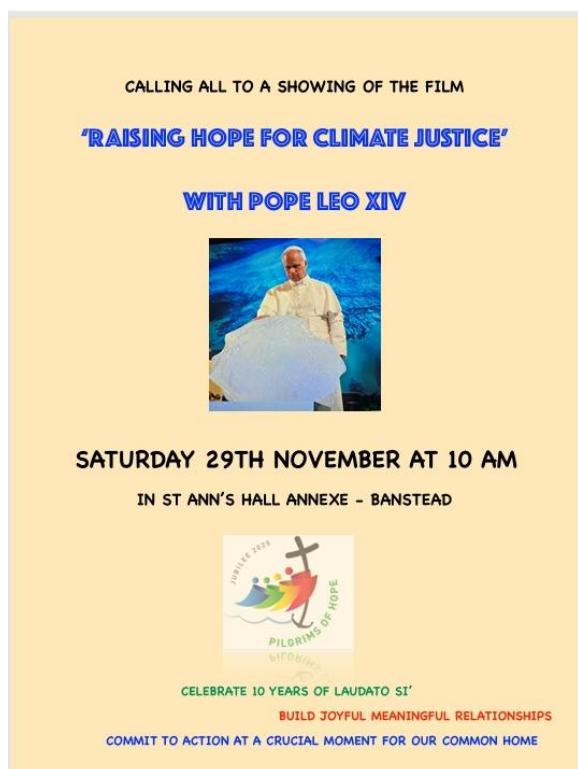
**Please place your offering in the same envelope.  
Envelopes available in the porch.**

### CLOTHING DONATIONS

Gatwick Detainees donations will be collected this  
**Sunday 9th November**. Please do not leave items  
after this date.

### RASING HOPE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am



Will you answer to the cry of the Earth and the cry of  
the Poor?

Pope Leo XIV reminded us that God will ask us if we  
have cared for His creation and for one another. Now  
it's our turn to respond with courage, creativity and  
hope. Be an Action man/woman for our Common  
Home.

**A sign-up sheet is available in the Church Porch.**

### LAUDATO SI' MOVEMENT

#### AT THE COP OF HOPE

Turning Faith and Hope into Action For information  
about COP 30, google

<https://laudatosimovement.org/cop30/>

### DEADLINE FOR RECEPTION APPLICATIONS

#### SEPTEMBER 2026

For parents who have children who are due to start in  
Reception next September 2026, this is to remind you  
that the closing date to make an application is the 15th  
January 2026.

This deadline of the 15th January 2026 is for both the  
supplementary information form (SIF), which should  
be returned to the school office and also for the online  
application made to Surrey County Council.

### HELPING THE HOMELESS 2026

St Ann's SVP group will once again be supporting the  
Merton Night Shelter project and SVP practical input  
is requested from January 19<sup>th</sup> for 8 weeks

For the last twelve years, the Merton Winter Night  
Shelter has provided people who sleep rough in the  
Merton area hot food and a safe place to sleep during  
the coldest winter months. This is being provided by  
the Raynes Park Salvation Army at: Salvation Army  
Church (next to the Wimbledon fire station)109  
Kingston Road, SW19 1LT

**Cooks:** Each **Monday**, they need dinner for up to 18  
people.

- Main course · Vegetarian main course.
- Side vegetables and potatoes. · Dessert.

Costs of the production of the meal will be met by the  
SVP. If anyone is interested in helping the SVP in this  
work as a cook on Mondays could they please e-mail  
[ann.corrigan@lienard.co.uk](mailto:ann.corrigan@lienard.co.uk) or contact the Parish  
Office by e-mail with your contact details) We will be  
happy answer any questions that you may have.

### THE CHOSEN SEASON 5

Season 5 Screenings will resume in the Hall  
Annexe, next Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November, starting at  
approximately 10.45am, following tea and coffee **All  
are welcome.**

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB



The next meeting will be on Wednesday **12<sup>th</sup>  
November** 2025 in the Hall Annexe, after the  
9.30am Mass until 12.00 noon. You can pop in at any  
time between these hours. All are welcome! Feel free  
to bring a friend or neighbour along.

# 5 Days 4 Nights Spiritual Journey to Rome & Vatican

Embrace the Divine in Rome & Vatican



## Itinerary

**Day 1:** Arrive Rome; lunch on your own; check in. visits: St. Cecilia and church associated with St. Francis.

**Day 2:** Saint Peter's Square for Papal Catechesis; visit: St. Peter's Basilica and Tombs of the Popes; view Castel Sant'Angelo (exterior).

**Day 3:** St. Mary Major; Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. John Lateran, Holy Stairs, Holy Cross in Jerusalem.

**Day 4:** St. Paul Outside the Walls; Ancient Rome highlights: Colosseum, Imperial Forums, Piazza Venezia.

**Day 5:** Departure for London.

## Included

Return flights (from a London airport), 4 nights lodging, local transportation, daily Mass and spiritual guidance, breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

**Cost:** £1,000. Single occupancy +£50

## Not included

Travel insurance; extras such as snacks. Deposit: £200 (non-refundable) ongoing registration to secure spot closing Jan 31, 2025. Fr. Rigo (WhatsApp): +1 202 247 1662.

**April 28-May 2, 2026**

## 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.

## SAVE THE DATE!

Join us on **Sunday 14th December at 4.00pm** for St Ann's Carol Service. A celebration with carols and readings. After the service, everyone is warmly invited to the Church hall for mulled wine and mince pies.

## SECOND COLLECTION

**This Sunday 9th November** – None

Sunday 14th November – \*Retired Priest

To assist with accommodation, welfare and support of diocesan priest in retirement.

\*There will be a small supply of Gift Aid envelopes for this collection, available this week-end at the end of each pew. Please take one only if you are able to donate, as we have very few available.



## Operation Elf...



PACT, the Prison Advice and Care Trust, is a national Catholic charity helping prisoners and their families. At Christmas, through Operation Elf, Pact provides small gifts for parents in prison to give to their children at special Family Days, helping them stay connected and share in the joy of giving. This year, St Ann's is again collecting gifts for the children of women in HMP Downview (around 60 children aged 2–18, mostly 5–13). Any extra gifts will go to children of fathers in HMP High Down.

Please donate an unwrapped gift (around £10–£15). Suggested items include unisex gifts such as board games, craft kits, books, or gift cards for older children. Wrapping paper donations are also welcome.

No electronic or battery toys, toy weapons, magnets, sand, play dough, plasticine, wax crayons, edible items, or liquids (e.g., perfume, glue). **A box will be in the church porch from 15th–30th November.**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy resumes this Sunday 9th November at the 10.00am 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)	Domenico Fasino
Maurice Dingley	



## St Ann's Parish Weekly Schedule & Information

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

#### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

6.00pm (Vigil) – Ray Jenkins RIP

#### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November** – *Consecration of the Lateran Basilica – Remembrance Sunday*

8.30am – Bernard & Kathleen Corrigan RIP

10.00am – Pro populo

#### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

No Mass

#### **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November** – *St Martin Tours*

6.00pm – Donough Gleeson RIP

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** – *St Josaphat*

9.00am – A Paramasamy & Dilip Kumar Balendra RIP

#### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – *St Diego of Alcalá*

9.30am – Helen Intentions

#### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – *St Nicholas Tavelic & Companies*

9.30am – Ray Jenkins RIP

#### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – *St Albert the Great*

6.00pm (Vigil) – Barbara Cocks RIP

#### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – *33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8.30am – John Devine RIP

10.00am – Sundays lost through the Reformation

#### 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 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.

### 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.