



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Most Holy Trinity

Sunday 31st May 2026

Dear Parishioners,

When we were baptised the minister poured water over our heads and said: 'I baptise you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit'. We were baptised in the Trinity, and this is the baptism of Jesus Christ. He commanded his Apostles to baptise in the Name of the Trinity, not in His name alone, but in the Name of the Triune God.

This mystery of our faith gives us cause to think and reflect. What does it mean that God is three and one? Why is God such a complicated concept? Throughout the history of the Church, many people have tried to explain Who God is, and many have fallen into heresy or false teachings as well.

At the heart of our faith in God is the belief in a God who is relational to the core. From before time God has always been Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. A father is only a father if he has a child, a son can only be a son if he has parents. The Holy Spirit is the overflowing love of God the Father for the Son, and the Son's love for the Father. This faith means that the God Who has made us in His image and likeness wants us to have a relationship with Him and with each other. We find meaning in our lives when we look outside of ourselves and see how we can support and be supported by others. We especially find out who we are when we can find that meaning in knowing the love of God.

We would not know the Trinity unless Christ came to reveal God to us. Christ, who Himself is God the Son, the eternal Word of God the Father. It is the God of Jesus Christ Whom we celebrate today, a God who loves us so much that He desires to be one with us so that we could understand Him better. While we cannot fully understand the mystery of the Trinity, we can understand what it means to be in relationships with others and with God. Today we give thanks for all those ways that we share our lives and give of ourselves.

A very happy and blessed feast,
Fr Ian

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 30th May

6.00pm (Vigil) - Rita Burke RIP

Sunday 31st May – The Most Holy Trinity

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Marian O'Sullivan RIP

Monday 1st June – St Justin

No Mass

Tuesday 2nd June – Ss Marcellinus & Peter

6.00pm – Josie Garvey RIP

Wednesday 3rd June – St Charles Lwanga & Companions

9.30am – Kevin Gilbert RIP

Thursday 4th June – Feria in Ordinary Time

2.00pm – Requiem Mass for Marina Dipre (Latin)

Friday 5th June – St Boniface

12.00pm – Requiem Mass for Mary Philomena Conlon

Saturday 6th June

6.00pm (Vigil) – Robert & Diana Young RIP

Sunday 7th June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8.30am – John Nash RIP

10.00am – Pro populo

Adoration

Wednesday **Only**

10.00am to 12.00pm

Rosary will be recited prior to Mass at 9.00am 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)

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, James Joseph, Joshua Anderson, Denise Rush, Damian Poole, Guilherme Guedes, Allan Norman, Michael Monaco, Edmund Louis, Arthur Harding, Jake Braue, 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, Zeke Peyton, Domenico Fasino, Maurice Dingley, Martin Mohan, Maria Barcellona., Dustin Smith, David Loftus, Richard Handsford, Peter Cocks.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Silvana Cura who died this week. Please keep Silvana's family and friends also in your prayers.

MARINA DIPRE - FUNERAL REQUIEM MASS 'MISSA CANTATA'

ST. ANNE'S BANSTEAD - 2PM 4th JUNE 2026

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marina Dipre who died on 10/05/26.

The funeral mass will take place at St. Ann's Banstead on **Thursday 4th June 2026 at 2pm.**

The family are inviting anyone from the parish who wish to attend, especially anyone that knew her.

The funeral Mass will be a sung Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Latin) with a visiting polyphonic choir from London, 'The Southwell Consort'.

It will be a rare a unique experience for anyone wishing to attend, so all are most welcome.

There is ample parking in the rear car park or on the surrounding roadways.

MAY DEVOTIONS

ROSARY & BENEDICTION

Rosary and Benediction this Sunday 31st May at 4.00pm.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

SUNDAY 31st May 2026

After the 10.00am Mass in the Garden of Remembrance. Fr Ian will bless the graves in the St Ann's Garden of remembrance **Sunday 31st May 2026** after the 10.00am Mass. If your loved ones are buried in the garden, please do join us.

Tea, coffee & cakes will be available in the Church Hall afterwards.

GIFT AID STATEMENTS

Gift Aid statements for the previous tax year 2025/26 are now ready. For Parishioners, who we had an email address for, you will have received them via email.

All those that we do not have an email address for will find your statements in the pigeonholes in the Church porch. Please do collect them promptly.

BRIDGE CLUB

St John's, Tadworth have a light-hearted, relaxed, bridge club which is always happy to welcome new members. They meet at 10.30am on Tuesday mornings in St John's church hall. If anyone is interested in playing please contact Peggy Wilkinson on 07944 767497, or Bobby or Peter Marshall on 0790 5545456.

CONTEMPLATION ON ST FRANCIS SATURDAY 30th MAY AT 9.30 AM IN THE HALL ANNEXE

The antidote to our ecological crisis is contemplation. To contemplate is to grant oneself the time to be silent, to pray and to restore harmony to the soul. It is the healthy balance between head, heart and hands, between thought, feeling and action. (Pope Francis)

NATURE WALK



We welcome families, friends and their dogs to a nature walk.

Date : **6th June 2026 starting at 10.30 am.**

Please arrive early

Route: **St Ann's Church to Nork Park and back to St Ann's** (approximately 2 miles)

Please bring a packed lunch and water as we return to St Ann's at 12 noon to enjoy lunch together.

Please wear appropriate footwear.

Parents, you are responsible for your children.

Please keep your dogs on a lead.

During the walk, we will stop at two places for readings and reflections.

We also need some adult helpers.

Please contact the parish office for any other questions. Thank you

There is a signup list in the porch if you would like to join us.

ST ANN'S RACE NIGHT SATURDAY 20th June 2026 7.00PM



Tickets: Adults £10.00 under 18's Free.

There will be table food and a licenced bar.

Tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses.

SAVE THE DATE

St Ann's Parish BBQ **Sunday 12th July 2026** after the 10.00am Mass. More details to follow.

FIRE MARSHAL TRAINING



A Fire Marshal Training session will take place on **Thursday 18th June** in the **Hall Annexe at 6.00pm**. A few months ago, Brendan McWilliams made an appeal for volunteers and received a very positive response. We have now arranged the initial training session and would ask those who expressed an interest, as well as anyone else who may wish to volunteer, to sign up and attend this short training session. The list to sign up is in the Church porch. Refreshments will be served.

GROUP 507

We went to the grotto and lit the Group 507 candle - during this prayers were offered for the parish. We thank you for your prayers for us whilst we are away Brendan Gerry and Chris



GATWICK DETAINEES WELFARE GROUP (Extended collection Date)

St Ann's SVP will collect **Only Men's** clothing and rucksacks next weekend the **7th June**. Local charity requests clothing to give detained people a second set of clothes for basic hygiene and personal dignity. Men's clothes in medium and large sizes are particularly needed, especially t-shirts, jumpers and hoodies, jogging bottoms and jeans. All good quality informal men's clothes and trainers are much appreciated as are donations of newly purchased socks and boxers as it is the charity policy not to source second-hand underwear. Cases and rucksacks are also appreciated.

ST ANN'S MISSION WITH FR ROYSTON DECEMBER 2026

Please save the dates for our parish mission in December, which will be conducted by Fr Royston. The dates are: **Wednesday 9th December, Thursday 10th December, Friday 11th December** at 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

PANTOMIME AUDITIONS

After the stunning success of the Pilgrim Pantomime's 'Peter Pan' in January the Company is now preparing for its next production which will be Rapunzel. Auditions will be at the URC Woodmansterne Lane on 24th June and 1st July from 7.30pm – 9.30pm.

These are very relaxed and friendly so if you are a young person interested in acting singing, dancing, working backstage, doing make up or helping in any way then we need you on our team!

School years 4 to 7 can join the junior dance team and school years 8 to 13 plus for the senior cast and chorus.

All are welcome even if your school days are behind you. No experience necessary but fun is guaranteed!

To express your interest, you/your parent or guardian can email Lucy at pilgrim pantomime@yahoo.co.uk

Musical Director

Banstead Pilgrim Pantomime are seeking a Musical Director for our 2027 Pantomime. This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone with experience to support the local panto which has been running for 30 years! Please contact us at

pilgrim pantomime@yahoo.co.uk

FRIDAY CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED



Volunteers are needed every Friday morning after the 9.30 am Mass to help clean the church for approximately one hour.

You will join a friendly team, and we also have a WhatsApp group which makes it easy to swap shifts, let the group know if you cannot attend, or offer help on an extra week.

Please come and join our friendly team of volunteers. Your help is greatly appreciated in keeping our church clean and welcoming for everyone.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday 31st May – None
Sunday 7th June – None
Sunday 14th June – None

St Ann's Parish Information

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 - 5pm

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer keeps the Parish up to date on all safeguarding practices and legislation for children and vulnerable adults. For any questions or concerns, please contact: Geraldine McWilliams
Email: sg1.banstead@abdiocese.org.uk

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. Please contact Katrina at St Ann's parish office to book.

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 90-minute class are required before scheduling. The class can be taken before your child is born. **Baptisms take place after the 10.00am 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.

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.

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

ST TERESA'S KNITTING CLUB

Meet every 1st Wednesday of the month, 2pm to 4pm in the hall annexe. All Welcome.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club meet on the second Wednesday of every month in the Hall Annexe, after the 9.30am Mass until 12.00 noon. You can pop in at any time between these hours. Feel free to bring a friend or neighbour along.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS

Tea and coffee are available:

- * After the 9.30am Mass on Friday morning in the Hall Annexe.
- * After the 10.00am Mass on Sunday in the Church Hall.

NEW PARISHIONERS

To anyone who has moved into the Parish recently, a warm welcome to you.

Please fill out a new parishioner form, you can find these in our Church porch and either hand it to Fr Ian after Sunday Mass or to the Parish office during the week.

There are plenty of ways that you can become involved in St Ann's Parish life and meet fellow parishioners.

Contact banstead@abdiocese.org.uk for more information about volunteering.

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.