



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 14th June 2026

Dear Parishioners,

Anytime we have a new experience we have to grapple with different emotions and feelings for the first time. As we get older we can see these experiences help us in different and similar situations, but there will be something in the future that causes us to feel slightly lost or uncertain about how to react and proceed. The death of parents or certain loved ones, losing a job, having to move house, difficulties with coworkers or friends - to greater and lesser extents these situations are not easy.

When Christ is looking out at the crowd who came to see him in today's Gospel, he sees the faces of so many people who are lost and do not know what to do. For some they are poor and homeless, others are sick and lame, others have the worries of the political system in which they lived on their minds and are uncertain what Roman rule over the Jewish people will mean in the future. With their own worries and desires, the crowd is a gathering of the lost and hopeless - sheep without a shepherd to guide and protect them.

In response to the crowd in front of Him, Christ instructs them to pray and then he appoints the Twelve Apostles. Christ continues His mission by sending others to help and assist us, he appoints His followers here and now to gather the lost and downtrodden so that He can guide them through the difficulties they face.

While all Christians are called to truly be disciples and to help others, priests are ordained to be shepherds of souls, they guide and protect the souls under care by preaching and administering the Sacraments. This passage has long been associated with prayer for priestly vocations, and this prayer should be constantly repeated. Each priest has his own gifts and talents, his own personality and interests which God uses to draw others closer to love Him. The work of priests is never ending, and indeed the harvest of souls is rich and plentiful - it consists of each and every soul which God has created. Therefore, we must pray for more priests who give themselves to the task of harvesting souls and shepherding them to the eternal pastures of heaven.

A blessed and happy week ahead,

Fr Ian

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 13th June

6.00pm (Vigil) – Rita Burke RIP

Sunday 14th June – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Lourda Devine RIP

10.00am – Pro populo

Monday 15th June

No Mass

Tuesday 16th June – St Richard of Chichester

6.00pm – Colette Totman RIP

Wednesday 17th June – Feria in Ordinary Time

9.30am – Pam & George RIP

Thursday 18th June – Feria in Ordinary Time

9.30am – Kathleen Webster RIP

Friday 19th June – Ss Gervasius & Protasius

9.30am – Thanksgiving

Saturday 20th June – St Alban

6.00pm (Vigil) – Pro populo

Sunday 21st June – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Gerry Halls RIP

10.00am – Victor Tompkins rip

Adoration

Wednesday & Thursday

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.

REQUIEM MASS FOR
MAURA COGSWELL RIP



The Requiem Mass for Maura Cogswell will be on
Wednesday 24th June at 12.00 noon

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



This Apostolate began at St Ann's over 25 years ago, with the parish committing to three days of Adoration each week. Apart from August, this commitment was faithfully maintained until Covid brought it to an end.

Adoration resumed and currently takes place on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am–12pm. As at least two people must be present with the Blessed Sacrament at all times, these hours are currently covered by parishioners. Adoration continues throughout the year, except during school holidays.

However, there are differing views on Adoration. Some feel that attendance may be lower if Adoration is offered without Mass beforehand, as many people are more likely to stay for Adoration after attending Mass. Others are equally happy to attend Adoration independently of Mass.

To help us understand what would work best for our parish community at St Ann's, we have set up a survey to gather your views. We are also exploring the possibility of offering alternative times, including evening sessions, to make Adoration more available for those who work during the day.

Please use the google form below

<https://forms.gle/VR7KabsDzPnGbvYh7>

This link can also be found on our website

www.stannsbanstead.com

There are a few paper copies of the survey in the Church porch.

SAVE THE DATE

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

PARISH AGM

Our Parish Annual Meeting will take place on **Sunday 26th July after the 10.00am Mass** in the Church Hall.

POLITE REQUEST

Please could we ask that, if you have books which you think may be suitable for the Church for others to use, they are first brought to the office **not** left on the bookcase.

One of our parishioners has taken many weeks kindly sorting through all the books and removing those that are not necessarily appropriate for the Church. We would therefore appreciate it if any donations could be checked before being placed on the shelves.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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 signup is in the Church porch. Refreshments will be served.

WELCOME TO OUR LAUDATO SI'
CONTEMPLATION

We start at **9.30 am on Saturday 20th June** in the Hall Annexe.

Our session is on Pentecost - the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit

It is an invitation. An invitation to slow down. To listen. To abide. ““Abide in me, as I abide in you.” (John 15:4)

We must love God . . . and adore Him with a pure heart and mind, because this is what He seeks above all else. *St Francis of Assisi*

ADMISSIONS TO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND THE CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Introduction

The Diocesan Education Service has updated its model Admission Policies to bring it in line with the National Catholic Education Service and to ensure compliance with the mandatory School Admission Code which all Admission Authorities are legally required to follow.

Our schools will still prioritise Catholic applicants and a certificate of Baptism will still be used to identify this. However, in cases where a school is oversubscribed with Catholic applicants, it will be necessary to rank further the Catholic applicants, and the Certificate of Catholic Practice will be used to do this.

The Certificate of Catholic Practice

The Certificate of Catholic Practice is based on the following principles:

- There is to be a single, objective, test for Catholic Practice: whether the child comes from a practising Catholic family.
- It is for a priest to make the judgment whether a child comes from a practising Catholic family.
- The priest should have enough information to allow him to build up a complete picture of the family and its circumstances in order to exercise such judgment.
- This guidance sets out the definition of 'practising Catholic' for the purposes of the Certificate of Catholic Practice only and for no other purpose.
- The test for Catholic practice:
 - is capable of being applied consistently by many different priests;
 - and is susceptible to proof by reasonable evidence based on observation.
- A Catholic child from a practising Catholic family is entitled to a Certificate of Catholic Practice.

The test is based upon Mass attendance, as this is capable of being observed objectively, with a reasonable degree of accuracy. **Therefore, for the purposes of the Certificate of Catholic Practice, a person is a practising Catholic if they observe the Church's precept of attending Mass on Sundays and holidays of obligation.**

Length of Catholic Practice

Priests cannot judge whether a person's pattern of attendance at Mass corresponds to that required by the Church unless attendance has continued for a substantial period of time. This should always be presumed if the required pattern of attendance has continued for five years or more (or the whole time required by the Church, where this is shorter).

Conclusion

Families should regard the change as a reminder of the need to be engaged with the life of the local Church, that is, the parish – not simply because they desire a school place for their child but because it is first and foremost their faith community, because worshipping God and being fed by Christ in word and Sacrament is what we are about and because, as the Children of God families want their children to be supported in their journey of faith.

All clergy are committed to supporting parishioners in the difficult task of parenting and the joyful task of sharing faith and are not oblivious to the challenges that families face. Please be kind enough to trust your clergy - but please don't put them in the awkward position of being asked to provide a certificate for someone they have hardly ever seen before.

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.

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

Rapunzel Auditions

URC, Woodmansterne Lane. 24th June & 1st July 7.30pm–9.30pm. Our auditions are relaxed and friendly. School Years 4–7: Junior Dance Team School Years 8–13 and adults: Senior Cast and Chorus. No experience is necessary – just bring your enthusiasm and enjoy the fun! To register your interest, you or your parent/guardian can email Lucy at pil-grimpantomime@yahoo.co.uk.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday 14th June – None
Sunday 21st June – Day for Life
Sunday 28th June – Peter'

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 Dunkley

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.