



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 21st June 2026

Dear Parishioners,

From an early age I remember hearing that 'Knowledge is power'. Little by little we start to recognise how much more knowledge can give us power over different situations from work to relationships, and even with our hobbies.

The only one who has complete knowledge about everything, and therefore all of the power, is God. Today Christ instructs His disciples with the fearsome reality that with God there are absolutely no secrets, nothing is hidden: He knows absolutely every single thing about each of us. All of our actions, thoughts, feelings, worries, joys, upsets, fears are known by the God who made us.

And yet, while this can be worrying, it should be a great comfort. The God who judges us also knows the innermost parts of who we are. He does not judge us on what we do, but why did we do it and how much remorse we have for doing what is wrong. And if we look at our God as a physician of our souls, even the best of doctors cannot help a patient who does not acknowledge or reveal all the information that is relevant to their condition.

At the heart of what Christ is trying to teach us is that we need to be open and honest with ourselves so that we can bring everything that we are to God, our loving Father, wise Physician, and merciful Judge. Being honest about who we are allows Him to help and assist us in our every need, it allows us to accept what only He can give us to make us whole. And in the end, the real power of God is found in the ways that he takes our frail humanity and gives us His grace and love to do great things despite of our weaknesses.

With many prayers for the week ahead,

Fr Ian

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 20th June

6.00pm (Vigil) – Pro populo

Sunday 21st June – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Gerry Halls RIP

10.00am – Victor Tompkins RIP

Monday 22nd June

No Mass

Tuesday 23rd June – *St Etheldreda*

6.00pm – David Garces RIP

Wednesday 24th June – *The Birth of John the Baptist*

12.00pm – Requiem Mass for Maura Cogswell

Thursday 25th June – Feria in Ordinary Time

9.30am – All Souls in Purgatory

Friday 26th June – *Ss John & Paul*

9.30am – Luciana Capanda RIP

Saturday 27th June – *St Cyril of Alexandria*

6.00pm (Vigil) – Fr Edward Dockery RIP

Sunday 28th June – *Ss Peter and Paul*

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Maura Cogswell RIP

Adoration

Thursday 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.

REQUIEM MASS FOR
MAURA COGSWELL RIP



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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We have only had 7 replies so far, so we will keep the
online form active for another couple of weeks.

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.

A sign up sheet will be in available in the porch soon.

PARISH AGM

Our Parish Annual Meeting will take place on
Sunday 26th July at 11.30am in the Church Hall.

BAPTISMS IN OUR PARISH



We are always happy to welcome families who wish
to have their children baptised, and it is wonderful to
see so many children being welcomed into the
Catholic faith through Baptism here at St Ann's.
Baptisms take place after the 10.00 am Sunday Mass
and will mostly be celebrated together with several
families. As we receive many requests for Baptism,
we are unfortunately unable to offer
individual celebrations.

Celebrating Baptism together allows us to welcome
each child into the parish community of St Ann's and
the wider Catholic Church. Thank you for your
understanding.

FRIDAY CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed every Friday morning after the
9.30 am Mass to help clean the church for approx-
imately 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 at-
tend, 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.

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.

WELCOME TO OUR LAUDATO SI'
CONTEMPLATION

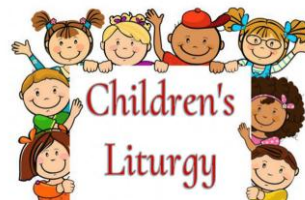
We start at **9.30 am this Saturday 20th June** in the
Hall Annexe.

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*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Children are warmly invited to join Children's
Liturgy during the 10am Sunday Mass. Our dedicated
Catechists help the children using stories, prayers,
drawing, arts and crafts, and other age-appropriate
activities, children can explore the Sunday Gospel
in a fun and meaningful way. They return to the
church before the Offertory to share in the remainder
of the Mass. All children ages 3 years to school year 3
are welcome.

THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society will sell raffle tickets after all Masses on the weekend of 11/12 July and at the Parish Barbecue. First Prize - £5000. By purchasing tickets you will be supporting the work of the SVP within your local community as well as the work of the National Society!

In case you are away that weekend and would like to purchase tickets, could you please let Katrina in the Parish Office know and we can sort this out for you!

ADMISSIONS TO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND THE CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

The article that we had in the newsletter last week regarding Admissions to Catholic Schools and the Certificate of Catholic Practice can now be found on the home page of our website www.stannsbanstead.com

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: **Monday 30th November, Tuesday 1st December, Wednesday 2nd 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 pilgrim pantomime@yahoo.co.uk.

YOUNG ADULTS' RETREAT DAY

Saturday 26 September 2026 10am-6.30pm at St Wilfrid's Burgess Hill. Tickets start from £20pp. Young Adults (18-35) from across the UK are invited to join the Youth team from Arundel and Brighton Diocese for a Retreat Day. A jam-packed day of prayer, formation, friendship, and fun as together, we will seek hearts open to His healing presence, trusting that Jesus desires to bring freedom, restoration, and transformation to our lives. As we encounter Him, we pray to discover true peace within ourselves, to become peacemakers in the world around us, and to be renewed with an apostolic fire burning brightly within our hearts. Lunch and refreshments are included in the ticket price. To book your place or find out more visit the Diocesan website events page or use this link: Young Adults Retreat (26-Sep-2026) · ChurchSuite Events Participants are very welcome to join the Parish Mass at 6.30pm, with social time at a local pub to follow.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Do you enjoy working with children and young people? Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in our Catholic schools to bring alive their sense of global justice? Could you give an assembly or a workshop in a local school? Supported by CAFOD with training and resources, you will discuss issues of global justice, Catholic social teaching and add to parish and school life whilst complementing the work of teachers, priests and catechists. Contact the CAFOD A&B office: Jenny Finlayson T: 07710 094448 E: arundel and brighton@cafod.org.uk W: cafod.org.uk Sign up to volunteer

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Our parishioners are very generous in supporting the Bishops' collections and other external charities. Many donations are made using Gift Aid envelopes or our own parish second collection envelopes.

To help with our accounting and to ensure that charities receive their funds in good time we kindly ask that donations for second collections are submitted within two weeks of the collection date.

Donations received three weeks or more afterwards can create accounting difficulties and may result in the charity not receiving the money until the end of the financial year.

If you wish to make a contribution after two weeks have passed, we would be grateful if you could donate directly to the charity concerned. Otherwise, any late donations may be allocated to parish funds. Donations received in advance are not a problem, as we understand that some parishioners may be away at the time of the collection.

These envelopes will simply be held and counted with the relevant collection.

Thank you for your understanding, generosity, and continued support.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Sunday 21st June – Day for Life

Sunday 28th June – Peter'

Sunday 5th July – None

Sunday 12th July – Sea Sunday

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.