



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 11th October 2026

Dear Parishioners,

Even as a priest, I have the trouble of knowing what to wear on certain occasions. When invited to go to some event it could be more appropriate to wear a suit, or just to go in shirt and trousers, or maybe I should wear a cassock. The fear (and it is somewhat irrational) is that I will look out of place. While a more relaxed approach is taken today than in decades past, there is still that desire to look like we belong in the situations we find ourselves.

Today's Gospel sees a man at a wedding feast who is not dressed for the occasion. He was asked at the last minute, but the host does not take any excuses. The wedding guests should be ready to partake of the feast.

One understanding of this parable gives us the reason for Purgatory. At the Wedding Feast of the Lamb - that is, the Heavenly Banquet - we want to look like we belong. Purgatory cleanses our souls of any 'dirt' of sin so that we are pristine and ready to enjoy heaven fully. The host's insistence on proper attire even for those invited late means that we need to always be prepared, we need to do what we can now to make sure that we can enter heavenly properly.

But the Wedding Feast of the Lamb takes place at every Mass offered here and now. When we come to celebrate Christ's presence in the Eucharist, we are called to come with clean hearts. The Eucharist is indeed medicine for those who are sick with sin, but we must also come to receive our Lord in Holy Communion with the right intentions and in a state of grace. This means that we prepare ourselves to receive Him by going to Confession, doing our penance, and preparing our minds through prayers before and during Mass. This is our best preparation for the Heavenly Banquet; and not a preparation, it is a foretaste of what is to come.

With many prayers,

Fr Ian

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 10th October

6.00pm (Vigil) – Josie Garvey RIP

Sunday 11th October – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Kitty Kennedy RIP

4.00pm Rosary & Benediction

Monday 12th October – St Wilfred, Bishop

No Mass

Tuesday 13th October – St Edward the Confessor, King

6.00pm – The People of Kharkiv Intentions

Wednesday 14th October – St Callistus I, Pope

9.00pm – Rita Burke RIP

Thursday 15th October – St Teresa of Jesus

9.30am – Fr Herman RIP

Friday 16th October – St Margaret Mary Alacoque

9.30am – Pat Ruffell Hazel RIP

Saturday 17th October

11.00am -Anointing of the Sick

6.00pm (Vigil) – Pro populo

Sunday 18th October – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am – Orla Flatley RIP

10.00am – Peter Lydon RIP

Adoration

Wednesday 9.30am to 11.30am

Thursday 10.00am to 12.00 noon

Rosary will be recited 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, Maurice Dingley, Martin Mohan, Maria Barcellona, Dustin Smith, David Loftus, Richard Handsford, Peter Cocks, Mandy Sullivan, Andy Trindade, Christine Gilbert, Ayres de Souza

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary we will have Rosary and Benediction on Sunday at **4.00pm**.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER AT 11.00AM



There will be Mass for Anointing of the sick on Saturday 17th October 2026 at 11.00am.
Lunch will be served in the Hall after the Mass.

ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
OPEN MORNINGS

Saturday 17th October
10:00am - 12pm

Tuesday 20th October
Thursday 5th November
09:30am - 11:30am

Court Road, Banstead
SM7 2PH

- ✓ Headteacher talk
- ✓ Tour of the school
- ✓ Ask questions

For more info: **01737350012**
Email us: **info@stannes-school.uk**

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 14th October in the Hall Annexe, from 9.30am to 11.30am. You can pop in at any time between these hours.
All are welcome! Feel free to bring a friend or neighbour along.

SVP CHRISTMAS CARDS

The SVP will be selling Christmas cards the week-end of the **31st October /1st November**. If you would like to purchase your cards before then please contact the parish office banstead@abdiocese.org.uk
£4.50 per pack.



HAIL HOLY QUEEN!



Three days with Our Lady at St Ann's Banstead
Led by Fr Royston Price CSSR

30th November – 2nd December

Prepare for Christmas with Mary

More information to follow next week along with a sign up list.

MARY'S MEALS



Thank you St Ann's parish for the most generous donation of **£920.26** for Mary's Meals it truly is amazing. You have given so many children in the very poorest parts of the world a meal everyday whilst they are at school where they can learn and have hope in their lives for a better future. £19.15p feeds a child for a whole school year. You have fed many. St Anne's school has also been raising a lot of money and is the first primary school in the WORLD to receive the bronze award for this achievement. Many many thanks to both the parish and the school.
Mary's Meals

**MASS OF WELCOME FOR BISHOP STEPHEN
SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER AT WORTH ABBEY**

Following his Ordination, Bishop Stephen will celebrate a Mass of Welcome followed by a reception, at Worth Abbey on **Saturday 24 October at 11.30am**. He invites people from across the Diocese to attend this Mass, to meet him and give thanks. Free coach travel is being arranged as parking is restricted at the Abbey.

If you are interested in attending please contact your parish office

banstead@abdiocese.org.uk

ST ANN'S CAROL SERVICE

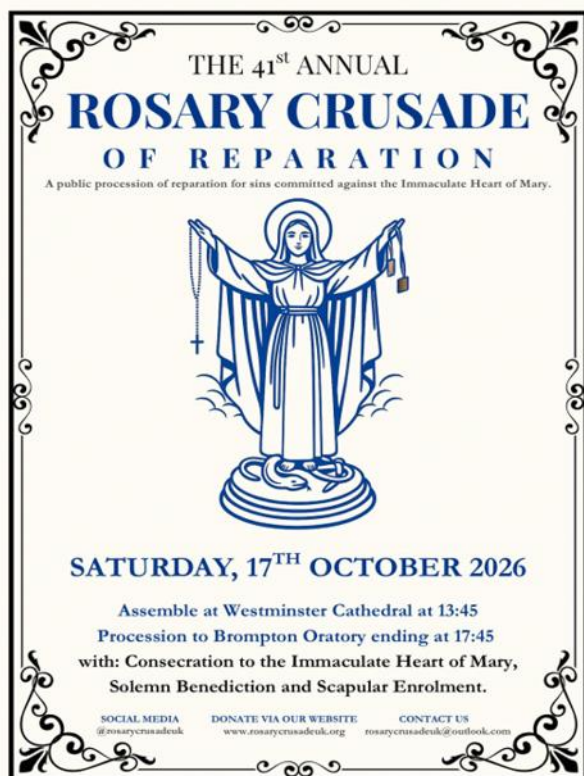


Join us on **Sunday 6th December at 4.00pm** for a celebration with carols and readings. After the service, everyone is warmly invited to the Church hall for mulled wine and mince pies.

ADOREMUS SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER

In London join remotely

Join Catholics across England and Wales for Adoremus 2026, celebrating our devotion to the Eucharist. The day includes Mass, a Eucharistic Procession and Solemn Benediction. You can join the celebrations remotely via live stream. <https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/> <https://www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/>



ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT DAYS IN THE DIOCESE

Standard ticket price £20. Supported and supporter tickets also available. St Richard's Church, Chichester Saturday 7 November 2026

Young Adults (18-35) are invited to join the Youth team from the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton for Retreat Days in parishes across the diocese. An opportunity to meet other young adults outside of your own parish community for fellowship, formation and faith. Our next retreat day in the series is looking at being a Witness of Christ and will be held at St Richard's Church in Chichester. The day will include guest speakers Sister Lucy O.P. and Bethan Townsend. With discussion groups, time for prayer, Mass, a shared lunch (included in the ticket price) and workshop sessions including Art, Lectio Divina and more. Any questions, please contact Bex Driver, Diocesan Youth Project Worker: bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk Book via the Diocesan website events page: [Young Adult Retreat \(07-Nov-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



Adoracion Alaminos
Greer Atkinson
John Aidan Redmond
Vida Moles D'Souza
Mary Carey
Barbara Pearl
Reginald (Reg) Dias
Paolino Di Maria
Mary Worsfold
Edward Palmer

Lila Traqinski
George Holland
Amy Holland
Agnes Holland
Rev Emllyn Tudno
Ellen Williamson
Ivy Miller
Philip Duckworth
Mollie Caulfield

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday 11th October – Prison Sunday (Gift Aid Envelopes Available)

Sunday 18th October – World Mission Sunday

Sunday 25th October - Friends of the Holy Land

Sunday 1st November – None

Sunday 8th November – St Ann's Conference
St Vincent de Paul

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 60-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 the Hall Annexe at 7.00pm.

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.