



ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St Francis of Assisi Sunday 4th October 2026

Dear Parishioners,

'We adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, here, and in all your churches throughout the world, and we bless you, for by your holy cross you have redeemed the world. Amen'

This prayer of St Francis of Assisi is said by Franciscans before they pray the Liturgy of the Hours together. In doing so they summarise the spirituality of their Founder.

St Francis wrote the most about the Eucharist, Christ's presence among us under the forms of Bread and wine, and found in the tabernacles of churches throughout the world. The reference to 'churches' reminds us of St Francis's first ministry, which was to repair and clean the churches in and around Assisi that were falling down. It is even said that he carried a broom with him to clean any dirty churches he might visit.

This prayer also references the Holy Cross. St Francis, in embracing poverty, wanted to rely fully on Christ who suffered and died for love of him and every other person who has and will live on this earth. The suffering and pain of the Cross was the ultimate experience and expression of love. St Francis wanted to share in that love as much as possible. His own sacrifices and penances were ways for him to participate in Christ's Passion and show that he was sorry for all his sins. His prayer to feel something of Christ's Passion was answered in 1224 when he received the Stigmata in his hands, feet, and side.

In celebrating St Francis, we celebrate a man who conformed himself so closely to Christ and lived the Gospel with complete trust. St Francis's example calls us to keep our eyes focused on Christ and only on Christ. He reminds us that nothing is as important as loving God and trying to show that love each and every moment of the day.

A very blessed and happy Feast!

Fr Ian

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 3rd October

6.00pm (Vigil) – Irene Faires RIP

Sunday 4th October - Solemnity of St Francis of Assisi

8.30am – Pro populo

10.00am – Peter Lydon RIP

Monday 5th October

No Mass

Tuesday 6th October – St Bruno, Priest

6.00pm – Edward Gater Intention

Wednesday 7th October – Our Lady of the Rosary

9.00pm – Agnes Osyth Carter RIP

Thursday 8th October

9.30am – Mass for Creation

Friday 9th October – St John Henry Newman, Priest

9.30am – Marian O'Sullivan RIP

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

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, Rita Diffley, Mandy Sullivan, Andy Trindade, Christine Gilbert, Ayres de Souza.

RECENTLY DECEASED



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Long RIP, who died recently. Please keep Margarets family and friends also in your prayers.

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. we will have Rosary and Benediction on Sunday's at **4.00pm** starting from **Sunday 11th October 2026**.

WEDNESDAY WEEKDAY MASS TIME

Please note that, until mid-December, the Wednesday weekday Mass will be celebrated at the earlier time of **9.00am**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow Mass from 9.30am until 11.30am.

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.

Please sign the list in the porch if you will be joining us for Lunch for catering purposes.

MASS FOR CREATION

THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER AT 9.30AM

This Mass will conclude the Season of Creation. Which runs from the 1st September to 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Christians around the world are invited to unite in prayer and action for the protection of creation.

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Hall annexe after the Mass. All welcome.

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 TERESA'S KNITTING CLUB

Can you knit from home? We would love your help! We are looking for knitters who may not be able to attend our Knitting Club but would be happy to knit hats, gloves and scarves from home.

If you have some time and would like to get involved, please contact the Parish Office:

banstead@abdiocese.org.uk



ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

OPEN MORNINGS

Saturday 17th October
10:00am - 12pm

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

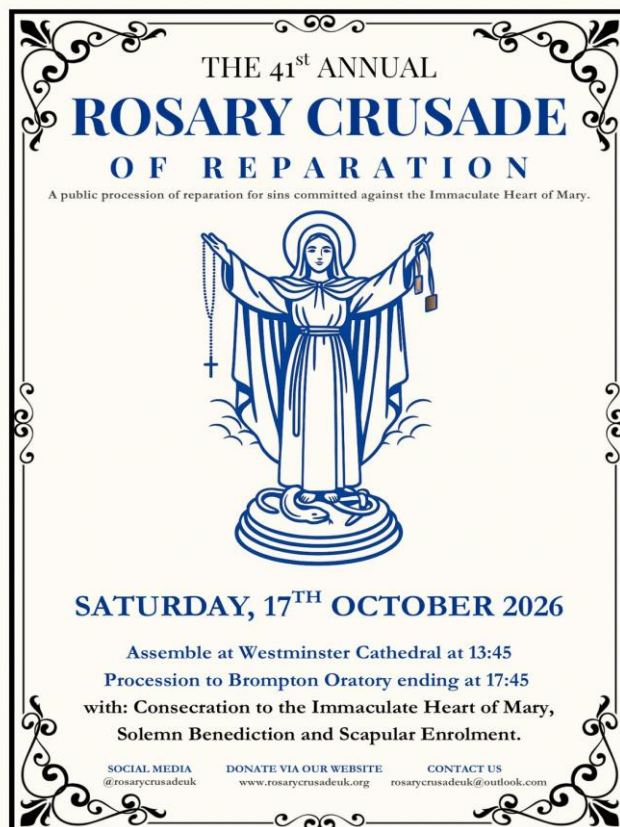
Court Road, Banstead
SM7 2PH

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

For more info:
01737350012

Email us:
info@stannes-school.uk





THE 41st ANNUAL

ROSARY CRUSADE

OF REPARATION

A public procession of reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



SATURDAY, 17TH OCTOBER 2026

Assemble at Westminster Cathedral at 13:45
Procession to Brompton Oratory ending at 17:45
with: Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Solemn Benediction and Scapular Enrolment.

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SVP CHRISTMAS CARDS

The SVP will be selling Christmas cards the weekend 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**.



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL THIS HARVEST

Please donate to our Family Fast Day collection. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. CAFOD donate using the QR code, online at <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/parishes> or call 0303 303 3030.



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.

ST ANN'S QUIZ NIGHT



**Saturday 10th October 2026
7.00pm St Ann's Church Hall**

Come along and join us for our **very popular Parish Quiz Night!** A fun evening for all.

**Tickets: £10 per person
Under 18s go FREE!
Buffet & Finger Food
Licensed Bar**

Tickets will be available to purchase after all weekend Masses.

Bring along your friends and family and get your team together for a great night!

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 Traquinski
George Holland
Amy Holland
Agnes Holland
Rev Emlyn Tudno
Ellen Williamson
Ivy Miller
Philip Duckworth
Mollie Caulfield

QUIZ NIGHT RAFFLE



We will be holding a raffle at our Quiz Night on Saturday 10th October.

If you are able to donate a raffle prize, we would be very grateful.

Please bring any donations to the office by **Friday 9th October**.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

For those who have handed in their Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) to Fr Ian for signing, the certificates are available to collection in person from the Parish Office.

Please note that Certificates of Catholic Practice are only to parishioners who are known to Fr Ian, registered with the parish, and regularly attend Sunday Mass.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday 4th October – Mary's Meals

Sunday 11th October – Prison Sunday

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.