

Saturday 27th April	10am Holy Souls 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 28th April 5th Sunday of Easter	10am Michael Hoskins Ints. 5.30pm Mick and Eileen Kearns
Monday 29th April St Catherine of Siena	10am No Mass
Tuesday 30th April St Pius V	10am Holy Souls
Wednesday 1st May St Joseph the Worker	10am Nancy O' Gorman RIP
Thursday 2nd May St Athanasius	10am Mrs B Schiffer Wellbeing 10:30 to 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 3rd May Sts Philip and James	10am Sheridan Family Ints 10:30 to 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:30 (Latin Mass) Saint Prix Theodose RIP 10pm All night Vigil Mass
Saturday 4th May English Martyrs	10am Mrs Bridie Fitzgerald RIP 6pm Roberto Farina Thanks-giving
Sunday 5th May 6th Sunday of Easter	10am Tom Oliver RIP 4pm Rosary and Benediction 5:30pm People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:
Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jason Moreno, Shirley Monaco, Gemma Morgan and Jenny Schlegel.

Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Together the Catholic parishes of Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Putney, Richmond, Roehampton and Wimbledon Common form Mortlake Deanery.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week

Sunday's offering was	£719.15
Contactless	£280.00
Standing Orders	£400
Total	£1399.15
Second Collection	
Priest's Training Fund	£488.02

Thank you for your generosity

This is a School Voucher Sunday

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD
Tel: 020 8788 7420
Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE
www.ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk

PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM

Those people who will require a school reference when applying to a Catholic School need to participate in this. By signing the vouchers the parish keeps a record of your mass attendance which is referred to when signing school reference forms.

Contacts

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5th Sunday of Easter (B)
Gospel Reflection

Being a Christian is equivalent to being called to bear fruits of holiness. To bear these fruits we have to be like the branches attached to the vine. Christ is the true vine and we will be united to him by keeping his commandment, which is to believe by faith in his name and loving one another as he commanded us. By the grace that is given to us in the sacraments, especially in the Eucharist, Christ remains in us and we in him. Through the Eucharistic sacrifice, God makes us partakers of his divinity. Without it we can do nothing. It is his words that should always guide our lives. Today's Gospel presents Christ as the true vine and we, Christians, as the branches:
"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5).

What is the fruit referred to by Our Lord? The fruit referred to by Our Lord is "the holiness of a life made fruitful by [our] union with Christ (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2074)."
Our Lord asks from each one of us abundant fruits of holiness and apostolate. But this will only be possible if we are united with Christ: Our Lord Himself said: "for apart from me you can do nothing (Jn 15:5)."
LOVE, IN ORDER TO BE FRUITFUL, REQUIRES UNION WITH THE BELOVED. IF WE REALLY WANT TO GROW IN LOVE WITH OUR LORD, WE NEED TO UNITE OURSELVES WITH HIM THROUGH FAITH AND GRACE. HOW AND THROUGH WHAT MEANS?

- Daily conversation with Our Lord (mental PRAYER) during which we get to know Our Lord better and thus grow in our friendship and love for Him. Remember, one cannot love someone whom he does not know. We need to deal frequently with Our Lord in order to grow in our friendship and love for Him.
- Frequent reception of the Sacraments of CONFESSION to make sure that we have our Lord in our soul, that is, we are in the state of grace;
- Frequent reception of the Sacrament of the HOLY EUCHARIST in which we receive not only grace but the Author of grace Himself;
- Maintaining PRESENCE OF GOD throughout the day through acts of love, of petition, of thanksgiving...and this while we carry out our ordinary activities whether at home, at school or at work;
- A loving and filial devotion to Our Lady and St. Joseph who were the people who knew and love most and best Our Lord Jesus Christ;
- Daily struggle to make Our Lord happy in our thoughts, words, desires and deeds... practicing the VIRTUES and fulfilling His COMMANDMENTS out of love (see 2nd reading).

Moreover, A CHRISTIAN WHO REALLY LOVES CHRIST, WANTS WHAT HE WANTS. AND WHAT DOES CHRIST WANT? SOULS! ALL CHRISTIANS ARE CALLED TO HOLINESS AND APOSTOLATE. You and I are instruments of Our Lord to bring souls closer to Him not only through our prayers, but also through our words, our good example and real friendship with the people He has placed beside us, with all the naturalness and while fulfilling our human obligations in the ordinary conditions of our life.

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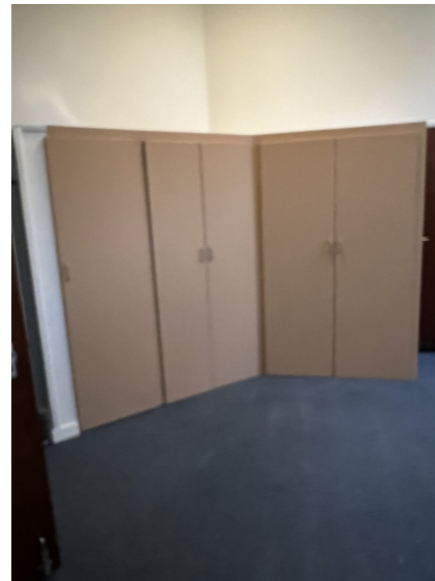
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PARISH NEWS

Traditional Catholic doctrine on Special Creation or Evolution: Fact or Fiction Tuesday 30th April 7pm

Please join us for two captivating presentations. The first, led by Hugh Owen, delves into the timeless teachings of the Catholic Church regarding genesis as elucidated by the Councils, Fathers, and Doctors of the Church. The second talk led by Greg Clovis unveils the latest cutting edge scientific discoveries questioning the evolution Hypothesis. Suitable for all ages, regardless of prior knowledge on the subject, these talks promise to be profoundly enlightening. Tea and coffee will be served.

New Cupboards for the Church Sacristy - Thank you to Churchill Builders for the work.



THE WINNERS OF SUNDAY 28th April 200 CLUB

1	39	Mrs Anne Parsons
2	113	Mr T Ranns

Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday

GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer, for every £1 you give to the parish, we can get another 25p.
Please speak to:
John O' Reilly 07977 538671.

Parish Hall—Bookings

If you are planning an event and would like to use the Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing bookingsolsp@gmail.com or phoning **07708632289**

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Last weeks Discussion on "Is the Catholic Church the one true Church". It was a great success.



NOTICE BOARD

St George's Cathedral Second Collection - 27th/28th April

For over half a century St George's Cathedral has been the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50000 Roman Catholics. It attracts thousands of worshippers and visitors each year, as well as serving a lively parish community. The Cathedral frequently hosts important Diocesan and national celebrations as well as concerts and events for various Catholic charities.

St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship.

Thank you for your generous donations.

CAFOD SUDAN CRISIS APPEAL- 25 million people need urgent help

You can give via Cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal or call **0808 58 588 85**

Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse - Tuesday, 30 April 2024

The Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse is observed on 30 April 2024. It is always marked on the Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter in England and Wales.

This year's focus is on communities who have been directly affected by allegations or convictions related to abuse – especially, but not exclusively, within the Church.

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