

Saturday 13th September St. John Chrysostom, bishop and doctor of the Church	I Timothy 1: 15-17; Luke 6: 43-49 10am Cecilia Fernandes Ints 6pm Liam O’Flaherty RIP
Sunday 14th September The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Numbers 21: 4b-9; Philippians 2: 6-11;John 3: 13-17 10am Mary Doyle RIP 5:30pm People of the Parish
Monday 15th September Our Lady of Sorrows	Hebrews 5:7-9;;John 19: 25-27 NO MASS
Tuesday 16th September Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, bishop, martyrs	I Timothy 3: 1-13; Luke 7: 11-17 10am Simon Hopewell
Wednesday 17th September St. Hildegard of Bingen, virgin and doctor of the Church	I Timothy 3: 14-16; Luke 7: 31-35 10am Myung Helena Chung RIP
Thursday 18th September Feria	I Timothy4: 12-16; Luke 7:36-50 10am Maureen Scantlebury RIP 10:30am –1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 19th September St. Theodore of Canterbury, bishop	I Timothy 6: 2c-12; Luke 8:1-3 10am Fr Martin Rossman RIP 10:30am –1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 20th September Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, martyrs	I Timothy 6: 13-16; Luke 8: 4-15 10am Sr Susan Richert Ints 6pm Deceased Parishioners and clergy of Our Lady and St Peter
Sunday 21st September Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Amos 8: 4-7; I Timothy 2: 1-8; Luke 16: 1-13 10am Max Hu-Fouye RIP 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, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jenny Schlegel , Bibiana Young, Gerard Briffa and Jason Moreno.

Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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

Last Sunday’s offering was	£828.20
Contactless	£246
Standing Orders	£400
Total	£1474.20

Thank you for your generosity

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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (C)



Saint Helena of Constantinople (1495)

Giovanni Battista Cima da Conegliano (1459-1517)

Saint Helena was credited with the discovery of the True Cross between 326 and 328

Today we are celebrating the true message of the Cross. We proclaim that the Cross of Jesus Christ is triumphant over all those who seek to laugh at our faith, over all those who seek to ignore the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To many people “the word of the cross is folly”, but in reality “it is the power of God”. (I Corinthians 1: 18-19) Jesus Christ’s death on the Cross is the centre point of human history; it is the axis around which all of humanity revolves. The triumph of the Cross reveals the glory of God. And the glory of God is that all humanity should be fully alive, fully alive to live lives conformed to that of Christ’s. And why? Simply because God loves us. The answer to the question of “Why do you Christians worship a man who suffered such a horrible death?” is that simple: God loves us. “Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.” (John 15: 13-14) Jesus died because he loved us, that’s all there is to it. There is no ‘why’ to God’s love, it is a free gift. It is the only love in the world that is truly and totally free, that asks nothing for itself but only gives. Jesus suffered and died freely out of love. Today’s feast celebrates nothing other than the good news of God’s love in Christ Jesus.

Baptisms/Marriages by appointment only. Please see Fr. Philip
Confessions: Saturday 9.30 am to 9.50 am & 5.30 pm to 5.50 pm, Sunday 5.00 pm to 5.20pm

PARISH NEWS



PRAY AS YOU CAN

NOT AS YOU THINK YOU SHOULD



There is no proper way to pray. We may think others pray in the right way and that we should pray as they do. This is not correct. Prayer is a conversation with God; just as we talk with those whom we love in a natural, relaxed way, so also with Christ. As we get older, we may find the way we prayed in the past to be no longer suitable and we discover new ways in which to listen to God and to talk with him. This is all perfectly natural: as human beings we change and grow: likewise in our lives as disciples of the Risen Lord. In *The Living Flame of Love*, St. John of the Cross wrote:

“God leads each one along different paths so that hardly one spirit will be found like another in even half its method of procedure.”

The Living Flame of Love Stanza 3 Paragraph 59





True for him; true for us.





Education Sunday—14th September

Education Sunday is marked this year on 14th September - just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2025 is “The Son of Man must be lifted up” taken from St John’s Gospel (John 3:13-17). We will be taking up a Second Collection at this weekend’s Masses.

Please note there will be a Second Collection for Evangelii Gaudium **Sunday** next weekend.

PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM

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

This is a School Voucher Sunday

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MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish a Mass to be said on a particular date please give us three months notice, if possible.

THE WINNERS OF 14th September 200 CLUB		
1	105	Miss S McAdam
2	191	Jennifer Cornish

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MARRY

Please be aware that the Southwark diocesan policy on marriage states that at least six months’ notice of marriage is normally required at the parish closest to the Catholic party. This is to ensure paperwork and preparation can both be completed.

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.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES



Our Confirmation Programme will begin in the near future. To see how many of our young adults will be attending these classes, application forms are now available from the Sacristy. They need to be returned with their accompanying Baptism and First Holy Communion certificates by Sunday 12 October 2025.





To be a candidate for confirmation, you need to be a baptised Catholic who has received their First Holy Communion; be a regular attender at Sunday Mass; and aged at least twelve years old on 31st August 2025 and in Year 8, or above, at school.





The classes will be held in our parish hall on Thursdays from 5.30pm until 6.30pm.





Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be refreshments in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday

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

NOTICE BOARD

St John Bosco Open Evening—Tuesday 16 September 4.30pm – 7.00pm.

Parents of children at primary school are welcome to visit and speak to staff and students about life in Roman Catholic, Salesian secondary school, recently judged ‘outstanding’ by the Catholic Schools’ Inspectorate. More details can be obtained by following the link on the school’s website or contacting **Danielle Parrott** by phone on **020 7924 8310** or by email at dparrott@sjbc.wandsworth.sch.uk to arrange a visit.

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OPEN EVENINGS WEDNESDAY 17 September 4-6pm, THURSDAY 25 September 4-6pm and WEDNESDAY 8 October 4-6pm

Headteacher’s talk in the Hall at 4:30pm & 5:30pm. For more information Tel: 020 7589 9734

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025, 21st – 25th October Cost £399

A pilgrimage trip with a number of places left. Costs include return flights from Stansted half board accommodation, transfer from/to Lourdes.£70 single supplement. Children under 16 go for £199. For more details contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, dartford@rcaos.org.uk, Tel: 01322220075. Fr. Henry Mukasa will also be leading the pilgrimage.

HOPE AND HEALING—24TH September 6:30pm at St George’s Cathedral

Archbishop John Wilson and the Safeguarding team, invite all our parishioners to join us on the 24th September 2025 6.30pm, for the Service for Hope and Healing, for all those that have been harmed by abuse. The service is to express the archdiocese’s commitment to all those that have been harmed, their family and friends and to come together as a community and demonstrate our solidarity for those harmed.