



## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. WILLIAM OF YORK

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### Mass Times

Saturdays 10.30am, 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sundays 9.30am, 11.30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - 9.30am

*(Please note on Thursdays the church will be open for private prayer from 9.30am-10.00am except on Holydays of Obligations & special occasions)*

**Reconciliations** - Saturdays 11-12 noon

**Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

1st & last Friday of the month after Mass & 3rd Sunday of the month at 5pm

## THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

**2 JUNE 2024**

Dear Parishioners

A couple of years ago the parish and school communities began to jointly celebrate the feast of our Patron Saint and we introduced our parish international day. A wonderful and colourful day of celebration that demonstrates our togetherness and unity as a parish family and to give thanks to God for the welcoming and open parish we are here in Forest Hill.



For the past few weeks, we have been preparing to make this celebration a great one, from the liturgy in the church to the social activities and shared lunch we will be enjoying together at the school grounds. During Mass, the hymns, readings and bidding prayers will be sung or said in different languages to reflect and celebrate our diverse heritage. We are all encouraged to cook our national food, family or personal speciality dishes and share them with fellow parishioners and enjoy each other's company.

**Please remember we will have just one one Sunday Mass at 10:30am next week on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Please come 10 minutes before Mass to learn some of the songs we'll be singing in different languages. Thank you**

*Please return your decorated card by today Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to allow the art group sufficient time to prepare the display.*

Please feel free to invite/bring family members or neighbours if you wish to do so, let us all celebrate together and all are welcome.

Everyone is invited to this Joyful day of celebration and unity

Many Thanks

Fr Habte

**TODAY'S READINGS** - Exodus 24:3-8, Hebrews 9:11-15, Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION** -

Today we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi which celebrates the institution of the Eucharist. Today's Gospel centres on the preparations for Passover on the first Palm Sunday which starts Holy Week each year. The Eucharist has its foundations in the Jewish Passover. It transitions the end of Eastertide and beginning of ordinary time. Corpus Christi reminds us of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus took on our behalf. As Catholic Christians regular attendance at the Eucharist is an important aspect of our faith. When we come to Mass we are fed spiritually and are united with each other which sets us up for the week ahead. LBr

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** - Genesis 3:9-15, 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3:20-35

### **RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT**

This weekend, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist will renew their commitment during Masses.

### **FORMATION FAYRE – “Made for More”**

**Saturday 8th June at Amigo Hall, St. George's Cathedral, 9.30 – 4.30 A**

An enriching day of faith development. Archbishop John Wilson is the keynote speaker. The event promises dynamic breakout sessions, times of prayer, and opportunities for spiritual reflection. Don't miss this chance to deepen your understanding of Catholicism and emerge renewed and empowered.

Register now at [aec.rcaos.org.uk](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk) and be part of this transformative event.

## **DAY FOR LIFE - 2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

This is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life collection provide core funding for the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other life related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in the particular field determined by the theme of the year. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## **EVENT FOR ALL MINISTERS OF THE WORD (READERS) IN THE PARISH**

**On July 6th, 2024, from 11:00 to 12:30**, we are hosting an important event in the church. There will be a session of Recollection and Development, designed for all our current readers and especially for our confirmation candidates who are considering taking up a ministry in the parish. It's a crucial opportunity for all of us to understand and appreciate the official and effective practices that need to be followed and to enhance the delivery of the proclamation of the word.

If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office, Fr Habte or Peter Julien, who is organising this event.

**SVP and CAFOD** - working together in the run up to the General Election As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see [cafod.org.uk/encounter](https://cafod.org.uk/encounter) or [svp.org.uk/encounter](https://svp.org.uk/encounter) for more information.

**NEXT GOVERNMENT SHOULD SUPPORT A SOCIETY IN WHICH FAMILIES CAN FLOURISH** Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, has recorded a message encouraging Catholics, particularly young adults, to be "willing to get involved and vote" as the opportunity to vote in a general election is a "privilege". [READ MORE](#)

## **POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE 24 -**

Pope Francis dedicates June to praying "for migrants fleeing wars or hunger, forced into journeys full of danger and violence, to find acceptance and new life opportunities in their host countries."

The Pope invited the Church to pray for this intention in this month's The Pope Video, released on Tuesday 28 May. The prayer intention is entrusted to the entire Catholic Church through the [Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network](#) during the month in which the United Nations commemorates World Refugee Day on 20 June.

## **SOUTHWARK LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**

Archbishop John warmly invites you to join him as he leads the Southwark Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Details of this can be found on the Archdiocesan website: [rcaos.org.uk](http://rcaos.org.uk). Experience the unique spirituality of Lourdes, along with people from parishes around the Archdiocese.



**SUMMERTIME 2024 - 29<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August:** Altar Servers trip to Westminster Pastoral Centre, £189. For aged 11-16. We commend this excellent residential trip for altar servers and those who regularly attend mass on the weekend. In an event that has now gone on for more than 20 years, it is a few days for deepening one's catholic faith, in a great social atmosphere, including football, sports and visit to Thorpe Park. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm's Dartford, see your parish priest for a form, or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St, Stephen, [Dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:Dartford@rcaos.org.uk), [Tel:01322 220075](tel:01322220075).

## **MASS ATTENDEES**

11/12 May - 275 18/19 May - 291 25/26 May - 226

## **PARISH DIARY**

Sunday 2 June	Please return your decorated cards for our International Mass by today. Thank you	
Sunday 2 June 6pm	Confirmation session 9 Parents Meeting	Church School Hall
Tuesday 4 June 7.30pm	Baptism Course Session 2	Church
Wednesday 5 June 7.30pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Cafe York
Thursday 6 June 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Friday 7 June 9.30am	Mother and Toddlers	Cafe York
Saturday 8 June 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church
Sunday 9 June 10.30am	International Day Mass shared lunch and activities	Church School Hall
Saturday 6 July 11.00-12.30	Event for all Ministers of the Word (Readers) in the Parish	Church



**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) (B)**

**Saturday 1 June 2024**

**18:00** Renate Betson RIP

**Sunday 2 June 2024**

**09:30** For the Parishioners

**11:30** Fr Patrick Aikens RIP 1st Anniversary (live-streamed)

**Monday 3 June 2024 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**

**09:30** May Miller RIP

**Tuesday 4 June 2024 - Feria**

**09:30** Henry Evans (FM)

**Wednesday 5 June 2024 - St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**

**09:30** Michael Taheny RIP (live-streamed)

**Thursday 6 June 2024 - Feria**

**09:30** Private Prayer

**Friday 7 June 2024 - THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

**09:30** Yvonne Owokade Personal Intentions

**Saturday 8 June 2024 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
St. William of York, Bishop**

**10:30** Emmanuel Asiekwu RIP

**TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

**Saturday 8 June 2024**

**18:00** For the Parishioners

**Sunday 9 June 2024**

**10:30** Tony Frisoli RIP 4th Anniversary

Please access the live streaming by visiting our parish facebook page

[www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/](http://www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/)



# KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

<http://ksc.org.uk>

## **KSC Pilgrimage & Full-Knighthood Ceremony**

**SUNDAY JUNE 30TH, 2024**

**Mass: 12 pm**

Celebrant: Bishop Pat Lynch, Auxiliary  
Bishop Emeretis of Southwark

Presiding officer: Supreme  
Knight Brother Harry Welsh

**ROSARY  
PROCESSION  
3:15 PM**

**Beautiful ground for  
picnic - parishoners,  
family & friends are  
welcome**

*For more information:  
please contact your Parish  
Knights of St Columba*

**The Friars, Aylesford, Kent  
ME20 7BX**



# “Summertime 2024”



## Altar Servers Summer Break



**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July – Thursday 1st August**

Westminster Youth Ministry Retreat Centre, Pinner

A few days for boy and girl servers aged 11- 17 of the Southwark Diocese

Meet in a holiday atmosphere

Activities include talks, discussions, prayer, daily Mass, as well as sport,  
Thorpe Park visit and Swimming,

**A coach will be provided from St. Anselm’s Dartford**



**Cost £189**

Cost for week covers:  
All board and lodging  
Thorpe Park

For more details contact:  
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**Ask your parish priest or sacristan for an  
application form, or contact Fr. Stephen, or  
download from**

***[www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com](http://www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com)***

