



**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

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23 JUNE 2024

Dear Parishioners

This weekend at the 11:30am liturgy, James Lowe who joined the RICA journey in faith last year and has been preparing to be received into full communion with the Catholic church will receive the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation at Mass.

The whole Community is responsible for the Christian initiation of the people of God, the parish, is a concrete pastoral guarantee of the open and inclusive nature of the effort by welcoming and accompanying those who come to inquire and initiate the process towards their journey in faith.

I would like to thank James for the long and at times demanding journey he was willing to be part of, for his enthusiasm, contribution to the lively and engaging sessions. I thank everybody who have been part of his journey and supported him in many ways, to mention few, Betty his wife and their three children (Jacob, Alicia and Esme), Barbara McGurran his Sponsor and our parish RCIA team and many other parishioners who are involved in supporting our team.

I would like to add a sincere thank you on behalf of the entire community, to our parish RCIA team and to our generous catechists: who gave and shared their time

and talent to accompany James in this journey. May the Lord fill us with his grace and confirm us in this precious ministry at the service of the gospel.

God Bless
Fr Habte

TODAY'S READINGS - Job 38:1,8-11, 2 Corinthians 5:14-17, Mark 4:35-41

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - Trusting in Jesus and having faith in him seemed like a fairly easy thing for the Apostles to live up to. Yet, when in danger of death as their boat was being swamped by waves in a wild storm, they panicked and asked Jesus if he really cared for them. The answer that Jesus gave suggested that they had no faith in him, which is a lesson that we should all be aware of. Would we have behaved differently? Would we have sat in an endangered boat and said nothing? Challenges to our faith are almost certain to come to us one way or another. Surely it is our role to respond positively as we try to live according to the Gospel.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Acts 12:1-11, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18, Matthew 16:13-19

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - We keep in our prayers James Lowe who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 23rd June at the 11.30am Mass and all candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 30th June at the 11.30am Mass. We continue to pray for their families and their catechists as they journey with them in their preparation.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - PETER'S PENCE - These offerings enable the Holy Father and the Apostolic See to support the needs of the Universal Church. Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

2025 RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST PREPARATION PROGRAMME

An information evening will be held on **Sunday 14 July 2024** at 6.00 pm in the Church for the parents/carers of children in year 3 (KS2) and above who wish to present their children for the Reconciliation and Eucharist programme for 2025. The meeting will last for approximately 30 minutes. **IMPORTANT** - If you are unable to attend this meeting please contact Fr Habte via the parish office tel:- 020 8690 4549 or email foresthill@rcaos.org.uk **BEFORE** the 14th July. Please download a copy of the information leaflet [HERE](#) or collect a copy from the Narthex.

RETIREMENT THANKSGIVING MASS SUNDAY 21 JULY 2024 AT 11.30AM

We invite the parish and school community to come together for a special celebratory Mass to give our thanks to Sharon Lynch on the occasion of her retirement from St William of York School. Sharon has faithfully served our parish school community for 31 years, becoming the headteacher in 2005. This Mass will be a chance for us to give our thanks to Sharon for everything she has done to support, guide and nurture our children, families, teachers, and community. Alongside current pupils and families, we would love to see former pupils, staff and governors. Please do share the word that **'all are welcome'** for the Mass and refreshments in the school grounds after.

PARISH UPPER HALL PROJECT SURVEY - Following feedback from Parishioners and hall users we wish to review our current facilities. We believe that by understanding properly how our hall is used we will be able to make some changes to it which will make it an even better place.

Hard copies of the survey are available in the Narthex, please post through the presbytery letter box. You can also download a copy of the survey form

HERE via our website <https://www.swoy.org.uk> We look forward to receiving your feedback and comments as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your help Fr Habte

NEW LECTIONARY - A very big Thank you to the families who have covered the cost to purchase all the NEW LECTIONARY that will be introduced in December this year, as mentioned last week, Next Autumn the Lectionary, that is the books that contain scripture readings for Mass and the sacraments are changing. They will become mandatory for use from Advent this year.

We have now ordered all the needed books, the 4 volumes ofambo edition lectionary and the Book of Gospel (standard edition and processional edition), and some Liturgical music.

LEWISHAM DEANERY MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY AT ST SAVIOUR'S, LEWISHAM

On Wednesday 3 July at 6.30pm the priests and deacons of our Lewisham Deanery will come to celebrate the annual 'Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy'.

Our Dean, Fr Antony, will be the chief celebrant. All parishioners are invited to come along and pray for those departed priests and deacons who served in the parishes of our Lewisham Deanery. Afterwards everyone is invited to go to the hall for refreshments and to socialise. We encourage you to make a special effort to come along to this important Mass, to support our Deanery priests and deacons,

and to pray for the repose of the souls of our departed clergy.
May they all rest in peace.

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.

SAVE THE DATES - " CALLED TO HOLINESS" DAY FOR READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - Saturday 19th or 26th October 2024

Please note there will be two formation days for readers and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist of the SE area of our Archdiocese., coming up on **Saturday 19th October at St Stephen's Church, Welling**. For the Deaneries of Bexley, Bromley, and Greenwich. And on **Saturday 26th October, at Bishop Thomas Grant School, Streatham**, for the Deaneries of Camberwell, Lewisham, and Lambeth. Participants can attend either of the days more convenient for them. Each of the days will begin with tea and coffee at 9:30am, there will be three presentations and the day will end with Mass at 3pm. The theme for this year is –“Called to Holiness”, in preparation for the Jubilee year and to help us all live a good Christian life amidst the daily challenges of life.

Please register your attendance with Mary via the parish office

foresthill@rcaos.org.uk

DAY FOR CELEBRATION WITH PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

7 July 2024 - Aylesford Priory 12noon Welcome service and 4pm Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul Hendricks. Come and enjoy creative prayer in the chapels, a pre-workshop, Books Beyond Words, activities and visit the Rosary Way. In the afternoon there will be time to enjoy an Edith Stein retreat, explore Aylesford Priory, enjoy a picnic and take part in art activities. Aylesford also has a tea room where food can be purchased. Individuals or parish pilgrimage groups are welcome.

A NEW PODCAST for Catholic listeners has just launched, The All Kinds of Catholic podcast has been created by Theresa Allessandro who hosts the weekly episodes. You can find it at: <https://kindsofcatholic.buzzsprout.com>

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

Michael McDowell RIP

(Brother of Paula)

Please pray for Michael's family and friends at this difficult time.

Paul Emuan Junior RIP

Please pray for Paul's family and friends at this difficult time

(Funeral at St William of York on 15th July at 11.00am)

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God,
Rest in Peace. Amen**

MASS ATTENDEES

1/2 June - 292 8/9 June - 414 15/16 June - 480

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 23 June 9.30am	First Eucharist Thanksgiving Mass	Church
Sunday 23 June 6pm	Confirmation Session	Church
Thursday 27 June 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Friday 28 June 9.30am	Mother and Toddlers	Cafe York
Sunday 30 June 11.30am	Confirmation Mass	Church
Wednesday 3 July 6.30pm	Lewisham Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy	St Saviours, Lewisham
Saturday 6 July 11.00-12.30	Event for all Ministers of the Word (Readers) in the Parish	Church
Sunday 14 July 6pm	Parents Information meeting 1st Eucharist 2025 programme	Church
Sunday 21 July 11.30am	Retirement Thanksgiving Mass for Sharon Lynch Refreshments	Church School grounds



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Saturday 22 June 2024

18:00 For the Parishioners

Sunday 23 June 2024

09:30 **First Eucharist Thanksgiving Mass**

For the children, their families and catechists

Confirmation Mass

11:30 Liam O'Connor RIP 1st Anniversary

Monday 24 June 2024 - The Nativity of St John the Baptist

09:30 Monica Schwerk (FM)

Tuesday 25 June 2024 - Feria

09:30 Michael McDowell RIP

Wednesday 26 June 2024 - Feria

09:30 Ron Marchant RIP (live-streamed)

Thursday 27 June 2024 - Feria

09:30 Private Prayer

Friday 28 June 2024 - St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr & Doctor of the Church

09:30 Cecilia Thompson (FM)

Saturday 29 June 2024 - Feria

10:30 Herbert Denton-Ingham (FM)

SAINTS PETER & PAUL (B)

Saturday 29 June 2024

18:00 Maureen Coffey RIP

Sunday 30 June 2024

09:30 For the Parishioners

11:30 **Confirmation Mass (live-streamed)**

For the Confirmandi, their sponsors, families and catechists

Please access the live streaming by visiting our parish facebook page

www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

<http://ksc.org.uk>

KSC Pilgrimage

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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

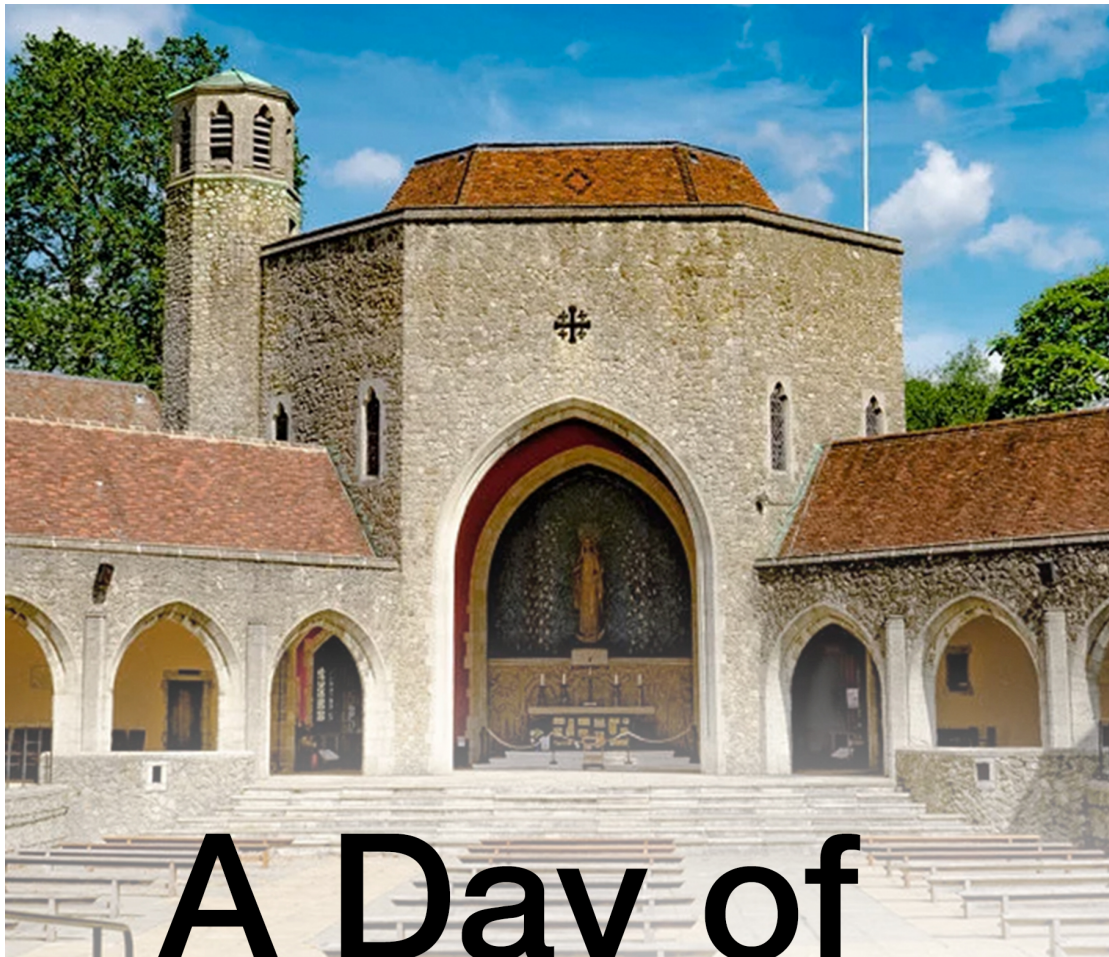
**ROSARY
PROCESSION
3:15 PM**

**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**





You



Prophet



Everyone

A Day of Celebration

Sharing in the Gift of People with Disabilities

Be a Prophet Go tell Everyone!

7 July Aylesford Priory | 12.00 start to 16.00 Mass

Bring Packed Lunch, bring friends!

Come and share your story...



British Province
of Carmelites



“Summertime 2024”



Altar Servers Summer Break



Monday 29th 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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