



**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

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

World Mission Sunday

20 OCTOBER 2024

Dear Parishioners

At the beginning of this month, we received a message from the bishop's conference of England and Wales calling Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide, this is in response to the assisted suicide legislation currently before the UK Parliament.

They encourage us to join our prayer with the bishops in a Holy Hour to pray for the promotion of the dignity of the human person and the culture of life in England and Wales.

We will hold holy hour on Wednesday 13 November 2024 at 5:30pm here in our parish. Please come and join us.

God Bless
Fr Habte

TODAY'S READINGS - Isaiah 53:10-11, Hebrews 4:14-16, Mark 10:35-45

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - James and John are very presumptuous in their request to Jesus to sit on his right in paradise but don't take on board the consequences and sacrifices this would involve and their selfish attitude. Understandably, the other disciples are surprised and aghast at the request. Jesus calls them all together to instruct them and to clear the air. In most organisations there will be people who aspire to be a leader but who lack the necessary skills and personality traits, whereas the true leader often has charisma and humility. To follow Jesus we must be willing to make sacrifices and follow a different path from what we may aspire to.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Jeremiah 31:7-9, Hebrews 5:1-6, Mark 10:46-52

THIS SUNDAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The theme this year is 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!' On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world experiencing situations of poverty and conflict.

<https://missio.org.uk/>

We will have a 2nd collection this weekend.



GIFT AID - We are unable to collect gift aid for any 3rd party charities ie MISSIO, CAFOD etc as the monies are not part of the church's income. In these circumstances, you may wish to donate directly and complete a gift aid envelope for 3rd party charities.



BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS -

This weekend we baptised Flynn Andrew Dominic Paul Weaver. Congratulations to Flynn and his parents Miranda and Max from all at St William of York and welcome Flynn to our parish family.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2025 - SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024 6PM

If your child is in Year 10 or above and they would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, there will be an information meeting for Candidates & Parents in the church on **Sunday 20th October 2024 at 6pm**. The preparation sessions will commence in January 2025.

SWOY CITIZENS -

Community Tea - Thank you to everyone who attended the first Well Being Community Tea on 21st September. We had meaningful discussions about ways we support our own positive mental health, explored barriers, and identified one key takeaway to incorporate into our regular routines moving forward.

Some community activity ideas discussed included:

- Bereavement group
- Art therapy
- Talks by invited guests
- Support for Year 6-7 transition

Training for Well Being Champions will be held on 9th November 2024, from 10am to 4pm at Café York. If you're interested in attending, please contact janetemmanuel@hotmail.co.uk by 31st October 2024. For those who want to find out more about Be Well, there are leaflets in the narthex.

Resident Permits - Biometric Residence Permits are being replaced with eVisas. You must apply by 31st December 2024 at gov.uk/evisa. For more information or support, please pick up a leaflet in the narthex, or contact janetemmanuel@hotmail.co.uk

CALLED TO HOLINESS" DAY FOR READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS -

Saturday 26th October, at Bishop Thomas Grant School, Streatham, for the Deaneries of Camberwell, Lewisham, and Lambeth. The day 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

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will be in our Parish with their Mission Calendar 2025 next weekend, 26 & 27 October, on behalf of the Missionary Sisters of St Augustine who run a dispensary in remote places of Natitingou Diocese, Benin, for purchasing a vehicle. Please help the Sisters generously.

FINANCES - SEPTEMBER 2024

The monthly Offertory Collection - £2,098.78
Donations for Diocese Education Services - £118.30
Donations for Diocese Home Mission - £156.24
Donations for Parish Crisis Fund - £139.03
From monthly standing orders we collected - £5,700.00

Thank you for your continued support
Please gift aid where possible

Bank details to set up a regular standing order:
Account name: RCAS Forest Hill, Sort Code: 60 50 01 Acc No: 79124437

2025 MASS INTENTIONS We have now received diaries for 2025 and will be pleased to accept Mass Intentions by envelope to the presbytery or via telephone 020 8690 4549 or email Mary foresthill@rcaos.org.uk

Mass offerings may be sent to the presbytery with your intention or sent directly to our bank account:- Bank: NatWest Bank, Sort Code: 60-50-01, Account number: 79124437 Account name: RCAS FOREST HILL, Reference: Your surname/Gift Aid no. Mass intention offerings may also be donated via our contactless device in the Narthex or via the secure portal on our website DONATE WITH DONA or the QR code (the name of the intention can be recorded within the messages option on the website) Please remember to register for gift aid if you are a UK taxpayer.



Mass may be offered for any particular need for yourself, a loved one or a friend, birthdays, thanksgiving, anniversaries, vocations, for the sick or indeed for the repose of the soul of a loved one. It is often impossible to give you the date that you request but we will always do our best to give you the closest date available.

If you would like Mass to be offered for your intention on a particular date (e.g. anniversary) please try to request it well in advance as we are seeing a significant increase in the number of Mass intention requests.

If you wish to obtain a Mass card, please see Fr Habte after Mass.

OPPOSE ASSISTED DYING BILL - There have been increasing reports that the Government will support a Bill in Parliament to legalise assisted dying. In March, Archbishop John reminded us that “the Catholic Church believes and teaches that every life is valuable, regardless of one’s physical or mental state or ability”, which is why “we cannot approve of any form of euthanasia and assisted suicide”. You can find out how to [oppose the Bill here](#).

AN EVENING FOR YOUNG ADULTS WITH BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI - 31 October. Archbishop John will be giving a talk on Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati's life at an event hosted by the Southwark Catholic Youth Service on 31 October at St George’s Cathedral. The event for 18-40 year olds starts at 6.30pm, with Eucharistic Adoration and praise and worship led by One Hope Project.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION YOUTH CONFERENCE- 9 November.

Junior health workers and students are invited to the CMA youth conference on 9 November. You can [book here](#) and tickets cost £10.



CAFOD FUN RUN - 7 December. Join CAFOD on 7 December at 11am (10am registration) for a Nativity Fun run in Clapham Common. [Sign-up here](#).

MONTHLY YOUNG ADULT MASSES

Each month the Southwark Catholic Youth Service runs a Young Adult Mass at St George's Cathedral, followed by a social at Amigo Hall

On the first Sunday of every month, the Southwark Catholic Youth Service has a Young Adults Mass at St George's Cathedral.

After the Mass, there is a social in Amigo Hall. All are welcome.

You can keep up to date with the Southwark Catholic Youth Service by following them on Facebook and Instagram @stgeorgesya or emailing youth@rcaos.org.uk.

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Souls of

CECLIA COSTELLO RIP

who died peacefully this week in Dorset

Celia was a long standing parishioner having been married to Dick Costello she celebrated her 100th birthday this year

TIMOTHY RYAN RIP

JOHN RYAN RIP

(Brothers of Molly O'Brien)

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

MASS ATTENDEES

28/29 September -309 5/6 October - 450 12/13 October - 284

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 20 Oct 5pm	Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Sunday 20 Oct 6pm	2025 Confirmation programme Information meeting for parents & candidates	Church
Thursday 24 Oct 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Saturday 26 Oct 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church

ANNUAL CEMETERY PROCESSION

Each year the ten parishes of Lewisham Deanery process through Hither Green Cemetery on Remembrance Sunday (10th November) to visit the graves of departed relatives and friends. We assemble at the Main Gate in Verdant Lane from 2.15 pm and the procession begins at 2.30 pm. The accompanying clergy are available to individually visit your family graves at the end of the procession.

REMEMBRANCE MASS - WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER AT 8.00PM

We will offer a Holy Mass in remembrance of these parishioners who have died in the last year on 13th November at 8:00pm, followed by refreshments in the parish hall. I would like to invite all parishioners to join us and their families in prayer.



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

World Mission Day, Day of Prayer for the evangelization of the world

Saturday 19 October 2024

18:00 For the Parishioners

Sunday 20 October 2024

09:30 Charles Edwards RIP Birthday

11:30 Ida Gladys Snuggs RIP

Monday 21 October 2024 - Feria

09:30 Grace Udefuna RIP

Tuesday 22 October 2024 - Feria

09:30 Ms Margaret Mary Acquah RIP

Wednesday 23 October 2024 - Feria

09:30 Bob Hall RIP (live-streamed)

Thursday 24 October 2024 - Feria

09:30 Private Prayer

Friday 25 October 2024 - Feria

09:30 Christine Kitchen RIP

Saturday 26 October 2024 - Feria

10:30 Alice Mary Gillett (FM)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Saturday 26 October 2024

18:00 Helen & William Wears

Sunday 27 October 2024

09:30 For the Parishioners

11:30 Sue Hepworth RIP

Please access the live streaming by visiting our parish Facebook page

www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/

* FM = Foundation Mass

Reminder Sunday 27 October 02.00 - End of BST- Clocks go back 1 hour



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of
SOUTHWARK

CALLED TO HOLINESS

Day of Retreat for Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

■ Saturday 19 October 2024

*Parishes in the Deaneries of
Bexley, Bromley, and Greenwich
will meet at*

**Saint Stephen's Church Welling,
26 Deepdene Road, Kent, DA16 3QL.**

■ Saturday 26 October 2024

*Parishes in the Deaneries of
Camberwell, Lewisham and
Lambeth will meet at*

**Bishop Thomas Grant School
Belltrees Grove, Streatham
London, SW162HY.**

Please, register via you own parish at:
evsoutheast@rcaos.org.uk

DEADLINE
Monday 30 September, 2024

PROGRAMME OF THE DAY

09:30: Tea and Coffee

10:00: Intro and welcome by Can. Victor Dralington,
South-East EV

10:15: The Call to Holiness - Fr Richard Plunkett
(Dean of Greenwich)

11:00: Q&A

11:15: Convenience Break

11:30: The Trail Blazers - Inspiration of the Saints for
the Jubilee Year - Fr Marcus Holden (Dean of
Lambeth)

12:15: Q&A

13:00: Lunch Break (Please bring your own packed
lunch)

13:30: The New Lectionary and our Spiritual Reading
by Canon Edward Perera (Dean of Bexley)

14:15: Q&A

14:30: Evaluation

15:00: Mass presided by Can Victor, Homily by Fr
Stephen Wymer (Dean of Bromley).