



## 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**

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

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

25 May 2025

**THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS** - Acts 15:1-2,22-29, Revelation 21:10-14,22-23,  
John 14:23-29

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION** - This Sunday's reading from St John's Gospel is wonderfully reassuring. Jesus is telling his followers to concentrate on loving. Because when we love, Jesus and God the Father will make their home in us.

Love is the measure or barometer of whether someone's words and actions are in tune with God's Word.

Characteristically Jesus points out that his teaching is not his own words, but the message of his Father. His preaching was not about himself, but leading us to a better understanding of the love of God.

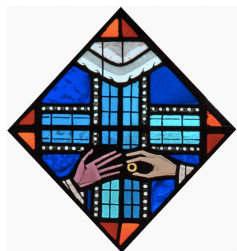
We are told not to be troubled or afraid, because we are not alone. And while it's great to explore our faith, we do not have to remember everything that Jesus said. The Holy Spirit is within us, to guide us on this journey of love.

Jesus doesn't need our faith to be complicated, just founded on loving God, and therefore also on loving each of God's creations.

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**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** - Acts 7:55-60, Revelation 22:12-14,16-17, 20  
John 17:20-26



## **MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS**

Viviane Goubo & Lerone Charles

Our prayers and best wishes to the happy couple on their marriage  
at our parish on Saturday 24 May 2025.

## **2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY**

This collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CNN), the media office of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. The CNN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communications. Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

**SPRING BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 26 MAY** - Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am

**ASCENSION OF THE LORD** - We celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation on Thursday 29th May 2025. Masses at 10.30am and 8pm.

## **MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. PETER (MSP) APPEAL - next weekend**

We welcome Fr Jude Iroh MSP of the Missionary Society of St. Peter (MSP) who will make a Mission Appeal at all the Masses on the weekend on the 31st May and 1st June. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit.

Many thanks in advance for your generosity. <https://www.mspfathers.co.uk/>

**ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION DAY** at The Friars, Aylesford 7 June 2025.

**The cost per person for coach travel will be £20.00, pick up at 9.00am at the church and return from Aylesford at 5.15pm.** If you are a gift-aider you may use the Contactless device in the Narthex to make your contribution, QR code or post the cash/cheque through the presbytery letter box clearly marked with your name, contact no and Aylesford trip or via the parish bank account details:- Sort Code 60-50-01 -Account number 79124437 - RCAS FOREST HILL Reference - Your surname/GiC Aid no/Aylesford. Many thanks

Over two thousand people from around the Archdiocese of Southwark are expected at our Jubilee Celebration Day . Please pick up a leaflet in the Narthex or download a copy [HERE](#) giving you all the information you need about this wonderful celebration – and if you haven't already done so, please sign up to come on our parish coach.

To sign up to be one of the **'Day Makers'** (stewards and volunteers helping to make the day a success), visit [\[bit.ly/southwarkhelper\]](http://bit.ly/southwarkhelper) to find out more and sign up. To register for the **90-minute ministry sessions for children (KS1+2) and young people (KS3+4)**, visit [aec.rcaos.org.uk/jubilee celebration](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk/jubilee-celebration). (Places on these sessions are limited - first come, first served; but there are other activities for children if you don't book in time.)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR YOUR DIARY - SUNDAY 8 JUNE & 6 JULY 25** Please remember that Mass at Pentecost on Sunday 8th June and International Mass on Sunday 6 July will be celebrated at 10:30am and we will be celebrating Fr Gregory's 50th Anniversary of Ordination at the 11.30am Mass on Sunday 15 June.

**SONGS NEEDED FOR INTERNATIONAL MASS** - We are looking for songs reflecting the congregation's rich and varied heritage to sing at the international mass. Is there a song from your country you could teach us all? Please contact [Kathleen.boyle@outlook.com](mailto:Kathleen.boyle@outlook.com) or speak to Kathleen after 11.30 Mass. If you have a recording or YouTube video or sheet music please send the link, but we can work out most things if you can sing it to us. Thank you.

**SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY 15 JUNE** - Fr Gregory Griffiths will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination in June this year. To honor this remarkable milestone and to express our sincere gratitude for his dedication Fr Gregory will be joining us for a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday 15 June at 11.30am followed by refreshments in the school hall. This is an opportunity to celebrate Fr Gregory's journey, to thank God for the gift of priesthood, and to pray for his continued blessings and guidance. Please save this date in your diary.



## RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS VISITING ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

**- 26-29 JUNE** - St George's Cathedral will be visited by a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis. On Thursday 26 June, an evening of adoration and veneration of the relic for young adults is taking place. On Friday 27 June, Archbishop John will preside at the 6pm Solemn Mass of the Sacred Heart, which will include the veneration of the relic. On Saturday 28 June, there will be a "morning with Carlo Acutis", which will include Mass, adoration, rosary and a talk on the relic. An exhibition will also be on display at the Cathedral from 19 June to 7 July. Visit: [stgeorgescathedral.org.uk](http://stgeorgescathedral.org.uk) for more information.

# BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS



St George's  
Cathedral  
SOUTHWARK

## RELIC VISITING

## ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

### ADORATION

**Thursday 26 June**  
Talk and worship

### MASS

**Friday 27 June 6pm**  
Archbishop John Wilson

### MORNING WITH

**Saturday 28 June**  
Mass, adoration,  
rosary & confession



### DATES

**26 June - 28 June**

**Exhibition: 19 June - 7 July**

### VISIT

[stgeorgescathedral.org.uk](http://stgeorgescathedral.org.uk)

St George's  
Cathedral, SE1 7HY



**Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Souls of**

**Geraldine Bell RIP**

Funeral at St William of York on Tuesday 10 June at 10.30am

**William Julien RIP**

Funeral at St William of York on Tuesday 17 June at 10.30am

**Hannah Salfarlie RIP**

(Mother of Mary-Jo & Jacob Da Costa)

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

### **MASS ATTENDEES**

3/4 May - 290    10/11 May - 673    17/18 May - 337

### **PARISH DIARY**

Saturday 31 May 9:15 am	Instrumentalists	Church
Saturday 31 May 4.30pm	Be Well Hub Drop In	Cafe York

**STAYING CONNECTED** - Please let Mary know in the office if you change your contact details and if you wish to subscribe to our on-line newsletter. [foresthill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:foresthill@rcaos.org.uk)

## **Be Well Hub Drop-in**

**Cafe York**  
**4.30pm - 5.45pm**  
31st May 2025  
28th June 2025  
26th July 2025  
30th August 2025



### **All are welcome!**

The Be Well Hub Drop-in takes place on the last Saturday of each month in Cafe York before Saturday Vigil mass.

It is an opportunity to talk, listen and get to know your fellow parishoners.

The Be Well Hub Drop-ins are a regular part of the St William of York Be Well Project, which aims to foster relationships and community engagment to enhance social connection and improve well-being.





**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ( C )**

**Saturday 24 May 2025**

**18:00** Mary Kane RIP

**Sunday 25 May 2025**

**09:30** For the Parishioners

**11:30** Richard Tocha RIP

**Bank Holiday Monday 26 May 2025 - St. Philip Neri**

**10:30** Ashley Blaize RIP

**Tuesday 27 May 2025 - St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, Apostle of England**

**09:30** John Warner RIP 2nd Anniversary & Anthony Warner RIP 3rd Anniversary

**Wednesday 28 May 2025 - Feria**

**09:30** Maria McMorrow RIP

**Thursday 29 May 2025 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**Holyday of Obligation**

**10:30** Josephine O'Hara RIP

**20:00** For the Parishioners

**Friday 30 May 2025 - Feria**

**09:30** Charles & Emily Griffin (FM)

**Saturday 31 May 2025 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**10:30** St.Francesco Cabrini (FM)

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ( C )**

**World Communications Sunday**

**Saturday 31 May 2025**

**18:00** For the Parishioners

**Sunday 1 June 2025**

**09:30** Josephine O'Hara RIP

**11:30** Fr Patrick Aikens RIP 2nd Anniversary

Please note we will be unable to live-stream Masses on  
Wednesday 28 May, Sunday 1 June and Wednesday 4 June.

(FM)=Foundation Mass

# Archdiocesan jubilee celebration

7th June 2025 10am - 5pm  
The Friars, Aylesford

*A day of joy for the whole Archdiocese!*



**Fun for families** - Saints Treasure Trail for kids of all ages, Children's Rosary, pre-bookable KS1-4 ministry sessions



**Nourishment for the soul** - Adoration, Rosary Way for groups and families, Confessions, Veneration of Relics, CAFOD icon, Carlo Acutis Exhibition



**Food for thought** - talks, book and other stalls, Diocesan History Exhibition



**Refreshment for the body** - music stages, picnics, BBQ and refreshments

**Closing Mass** - Archbishop John Wilson presiding, music led by Diocesan Choir

and much, much more!



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SOUTHWARK



[bit.ly/southwarkjubilee](https://bit.ly/southwarkjubilee)

## jubilee 2025

*Do you  
believe  
this?*



Local Information

Churches Together in Sydenham and Forest Hill

A Service of Christian Unity

7pm Wednesday 11 June 2025

St Bartholomew's Church  
Westwood Hill  
Sydenham SE26 6QR

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2025**

[www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer)

