



**THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF
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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

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) (C)
22 June 2025**

Dear Parishioners

This Sunday a group of young people who have been preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation will be receiving the sacrament.

**Anna Bruzzaniti, Elsie O'Connor, Joshua Layzell
Peony Black, Thea Leron-Ajibola, Tilly-Mae Parker**

CONGRATULATIONS to all our Confirmandi. Let us keep them in our prayers so that they may continue to grow in their love of God, self and neighbours.

The sacrament of Confirmation confirms Baptism and pours out the Holy Spirit upon you in abundance. You yourselves now, full of gratitude, have the opportunity to welcome his great gifts that help you, on the path of life, to become faithful and courageous witnesses of Jesus.

The celebration of the Sacraments is not the conclusion of a journey but a stage: the journey must continue.



Now you welcome the Holy Spirit, listen to his proposals and follow him. "Confirmation will enable you" to use the very rich gifts and the great resources that the Holy Spirit gives to each of you.

I would like to thank parents, who with godfathers and godmothers and our parish community, brought them up to this point of their Christian formation, thank you for coming to all the sessions specially prepared for parents and for being part of your children's faith journey.

I thank the Sponsors who have made the commitment to help the confirmed, follow the way of Christ by word and example.

I would like to add a sincere thank you on behalf of the entire community to our generous catechists: Assunta and Tom with their dedication and commitment, who prepared and accompanied our newly confirmed in their journey towards this special day, 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

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS - Genesis 14:18-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Luke 9:11b-17

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - Today we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi which celebrates the institution of the Eucharist and reminds us of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus took on our behalf. Today's Gospel is when Jesus feeds the five thousand, which is often highlighted as mirroring the Eucharist. The communal aspect of the Eucharist calls us to share with others, which demonstrates Jesus' power to provide abundantly for our needs and is a celebration of unity, reconciliation and love. Bread is the staple of the world, the simplest thing in the world, something which we eat and never get tired of and for those on the streets may be the only thing they can find to eat. So it is a good symbol to emphasise the importance of the Eucharist. 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.

L.Br.

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

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.

THANK YOU FROM FR GREGORY

Fr Gregory would like to thank Fr Habte and his parish for the lovely welcome that he received last Sunday at the time of his 50th Anniversary to the Priesthood.

He said he will always have a fond memory of Forest Hill as this was the last parish where he was living, a vibrant parish, full of love showing visibly the love God has for us all. Please see our parish website for photos of the wonderful celebration

[Fr Gregory 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination](#)

PARISH INTERNATIONAL DAY & SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR Please remember that we will be celebrating the parish international Mass on **Sunday 6th July 2025 at 10.30am**. The hymns, readings and the Gospel will be proclaimed in foreign languages and so will the prayers of the faithful. Parishioners of diverse nationalities and languages are encouraged to participate in the celebration. Both in the liturgy and the shared lunch and School Summer Fair afterwards.



Please bring along an international or speciality dish for our shared lunch after Mass in the school hall. Invite family and friends all welcome.

2025-2026 - RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST PREPARATION PROGRAMME

An information evening will be held on **Monday 7 July 2025 at 7.30 pm** in the Church for the parents/carers of children in year 3 (KS2) or above from September 2025 who wish to present their children for the Reconciliation and Eucharist programme for 2025/2026.

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 7th July.

Please collect an information leaflet from the Narthex or download a copy

[HERE](#)



ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON - INVITATION 30th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

As you may recall, I was unable to celebrate my Silver Jubilee of Ordination publicly due to the Covid restrictions in place at the time. This year marks the 30th Anniversary of my Ordination to the Priesthood, and I would like to warmly invite you to join me for a Mass of Thanksgiving at St George's Cathedral on **Friday 25 July at 7pm**, followed by a Reception in Amigo Hall.

REMINDER: FREE CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our school, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>

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 for more information.

FINANCIALS -MAY 2025

The monthly Offertory Collection - £2,527.34

Donations for Priest's Training Fund - £358.76

Donations for the Parish Crisis Fund- £80.00

From monthly standing orders we collected - £5,392.00

Bank details to set up a regular standing order:

Account name: RCAS Forest Hill, Sort Code: 60 50 01 Acc No: 79124437

Thank you for your continued support

Please gift aid where possible

MASS ATTENDEES

31 May/1 June - 248 7/8 June - 209 14/15 June - 353

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

Annette Foley RIP

(Daughter of long-standing parishioners Mary & Patrick Foley RIP)

Funeral at St Joseph's, Bromley on Monday 30 June 2025 at 11.30am

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

PARISH DIARY

Tuesday 24 June 7.45pm	RCIA Team Meeting	Cafe York
Thursday 26 June 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Friday 27 June 6-8pm	Youth Group Meeting	Upper Hall
Saturday 28 June 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church
Saturday 28 June 4.30pm	Be Well Hub Drop-In	Cafe York
Sunday 6 July 10.30 am	International Day Mass & shared lunch	Church School hall
12.30 - 2.30pm	School Summer Fair	School grounds
Monday 7 July 7.30pm	2025/6 Information Meeting for Parents/Carers for 1st Reconciliation & Eucharist Programme	Church

YOUTH GROUP MEETING - Our last Youth Group meeting before the summer break will be this **Friday 27th of June from 6-8pm**. We will be having a little party to celebrate so we hope our young people will come and join us for an evening of fun and games. Youth Group will recommence in September. Thank you.



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 parishioners.

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 engagement to enhance social connection and improve well-being.



PHISHING EMAILS (SCAMS) - Unfortunately, phishing emails – which are an attempt to scam someone using a well-known name – have been sent to parishioners. They look like emails from a parish priest, but are fraudulent. If people fall for this scam, they could lose a lot of money.

What to do if you receive a phishing email?

- Do not reply
 - Do not click any links or download any attachments
 - Delete it from your inbox
 - Legitimate emails from parish priests will only come from an email with an @rcaos.org.uk email address
 - Please always check the sender's email address, and not just the name
- Report the email immediately to Fr Habte or Mary foresthill@rcaos.org.uk

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.



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

Saturday 21 June 2025

18:00 Liam O'Connor 2nd Anniversary RIP

Sunday 22 June 2025

09:30 Christine Kitchen RIP

11:30 Confirmation Mass (live-streamed)

For the Newly Confirmed, their sponsors, families and catechists

Monday 23 June 2025 - Feria

09:30 Max Cowell RIP

Tuesday 24 June 2025 - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

09:30 Michael McDowell RIP 1st Anniversary

Wednesday 25 June 2025 - Feria

09:30 Ron Marchant RIP (live-streamed)

Thursday 26 June 2025 - Feria

09:30 Quiet Private Prayer (no Mass)

Friday 27 June 2025 - THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

09:30 Frances Ellis (FM)

Saturday 28 June 2025 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:30 Holy Souls

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL (C)

Saturday 28 June 2025

18:00 For the Parishioners

Sunday 29 June 2025

09:30 Angela Lopez RIP

11:30 Maureen Coffey RIP

Please access the live-streaming by visiting our parish Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/>

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SUNDAY 6TH JULY

ST WILLIAM OF YORK

CHURCH INTERNATIONAL DAY & SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

MASS 10.30AM

12-2.30PM



INVITE FAMILY & FRIENDS, ALL ARE WELCOME

Bring along an international or speciality dish for a shared lunch following the International Day Mass

Slime Workshop - Ice Cream - Bouncy Castle - BBQ and Bar- Fun Games - Raffle at the Summer Fair



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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

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