



**ST EDWARD'S PARISH CHURCH
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	Sat 8 th	6.00pm	Peter Smallbone RIP 1 st Anniv Family
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 9 th	10.15am	Tom Shaw RIP 1 st Anniv Shaw Family
	Monday Rosary 8.30am		
	Mon 10 th	9.00am	Duffy & Kelly Fam RIP MG
St Benedict	Tues 11 th	7.00pm	Kin Jackson RIP Hilary J
	Wednesday Rosary 8.30 am		
	Wed 12 th	9.00am	Holy Souls Nora Walsh RIP Aaron Int
		9.45am	(School) No Mass
		7.00pm	In Church Bridget Featherston RIP 3 rd Anniv
	Thursday Rosary 8.30 am		
	Thu 13 th	9.00am	Thomas Arackal RIP Anella
		9.45am	In Church End of Year Mass Parishioners
	Friday Rosary 8.30 am		
	Fri 14 th	9.00am	Seamus O'Donnell RIP MM O'S
	Sat 15 th	6.00pm	Ita Durkin RIP Marie G
	Sun 16 th	10.15am	Matthew Barton RIP Ann B

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Gluten free hosts available before Mass in the Sacristy

SICK: Rose Hyland, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, Joan Dunne, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Noreen Brannelly, Emma Bettam, Annie Fitzgerald **and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.**

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev Joseph Pires, Rev Michael Gaffney, Deacon Anthony Bateman, Rev Bernard Thomas Maddox, Rev Brendan Mary Donlon, Rev Anthony Maguire, Canon Francis J Grady, Rev Seamus Hetherston, Rev John Molyneux, Rev Plunkett Shannon, Rev Edmund Whelan, Rev Anthony John Burns **Also** Lily Handel, Anastasia Bird, Margaret Connolly, Aileen Clifton, Una Drury, Leslie Anne Guy, Anne McGillicuddy, Bridie Collins, Sr Breda O'Sullivan, Bridget Featherston, Mary Hickey, Liam Pepper, Bridie Heavy **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.**

Mass Attendance:

Sat (6.00pm) No. of people: 65 Off Collection £224.5 2nd Collection: Peter's Pence £57.80

Sun (10.15am) No. of people: 138 Off Collection £107.05 2nd Collection: Peter's Pence £52.80

Card machine 1st Collection £26.55 2nd Collection £5.90

Sincere thanks.

In memory of Patrick J. Tydings (Church) £116.60

Standing Orders and Card payments Please set up a standing order for your gifts to the church. It makes it a lot easier to handle, rather than having to count and bank cash. You can get a standing order form at the back of the church, and return them completed to Father, or Brendan Campbell. If you are a taxpayer, you can also complete the Gift Aid section of the form, so the church can claim 25% tax back from HMRC. Free money from HMRC; that doesn't happen often!

Don't forget that you can also make gifts via our card payment machine in church, using your payment card or Apple/Google Pay. It's really simple; just select the amount of your gift and tap your card / phone on the card reader. You can also donate online <https://donate.myдона.com/st-edwards-church-selly-park> or use QR code (see above). If you need help, just ask.

St. Edward's RC Primary School are looking to appoint an experienced Clerk to the Governing Board following the retirement of the current Clerk after a lifetime of service to the school. This is a crucial role in enabling the Board of Governors and the school staff to work effectively together to deliver the best outcomes for the whole school community. In the first instance please contact the Chair of Governors at the school or the Headteacher to have a preliminary discussion about the role.

March for Life UK happens in London on Saturday 2nd September. Many are concerned about restrictions on freedom but it's often not until these restrictions affect us personally that we speak up. Abortion destroys the most fundamental freedom, the freedom to live and leaves so many women and men deeply hurt. Join thousands of others at this family-friendly event to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Full details can be found at marchforlife.co.uk

2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Harvington on Sunday 3rd September 2023- if interested, call or text Rita Ocho on 07775318723. Transport cost TBC

Come and Pray the Rosary before Mass on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8.30am

OUR DIOCESAN PRAYER - WALK WITH ME Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire that you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come to know and praise your beauty with all our brothers and sisters in the life to come. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will.

ANIMA CHRISTI Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee forever and ever. Amen

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our homes, our families, our parishes, our diocese, our countries with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us*

ARCHDIOCESE VISION PRAYER Spirit of God, descend on me this day. Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others. Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me, strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us and inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen

St John Henry Newman – *Pray for Us*

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name]

Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, father and protector,
pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.

Saints Louis and Z  lie Martin, pray us.

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit,

Hail Mary....

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary....

V. And the Word was made Flesh;

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary....

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen

PRAYER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

Pope's Prayer Intention for July

We pray for Catholics to place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, which profoundly transforms human relationships and enables us to come closer to God and our sisters and brothers.

Points to Ponder

Because our burdens are not simple, they are not relieved by simplistic platitudes ('Cheer up! Things are bound to turn around!'). But a simple promise can relieve a complex burden, provided we believe that the power behind the promise is complex and strong enough to relieve our heaviness. And into our weariness steps the most complex power in existence speaking a promise as simple, hopeful, and refreshing as we could possibly want: *'Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'*

Our souls only find rest in hope. That's what we're frantically looking for whenever our souls are burdened and restless: hope. And that's what most of the marketing of most of the products in the world tries to offer us: hope. But they are false hopes for soul-rest, providing only temporary distraction from or briefly masking the effects of our burdened souls. They don't truly lighten our loads. No, our burdened souls only truly find rest in one place.

Jesus's great invitation for us to come to him, exchange yokes, and find rest is not intended for us to do in isolation. He intends for us to come to him in community, to come together. That's one massive reason the church exists. We all bear burdens and become weary, but in different ways, for different reasons, and often at different times. When we are weary, we are easily discouraged and can be given to cynical disbelief. In those moments we are often not the best preachers for our souls. We need others to speak truth to us and help us believe in Jesus.