



**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 - Friday 9.30am Mass

**Reconciliations** - Saturdays 11-12 noon

**Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

1st & 4th Fridays of the month after Mass & 3rd Sunday of the month at 5pm

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)  
18 June 2023**

Dear Parishioners

Last week on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> 2023, we celebrated our parish International day for the second time while reflecting on our togetherness, on our communion, on our bond. A joyful day of celebration that was attended by many of our parishioners, the school community and visitors.

Thank you to all who contributed to make the day such a wonderful one, everyone who attended the day, our parish PPC and refreshments team, SWOYSA from the school, our confirmation candidates and stewards, our parish music group, children who sang and performed, staff members from our school, and everyone who cooked and donated food and drinks.

Thank you everybody for contributing to build our community and our bond, for making everyone feel welcome and included. I hope working together we continue to grow and witness the gospel within our communities and beyond.

May God bless our parish family. Amen

Fr Habte

**TODAY'S READINGS** -Exodus 19:2-6, Romans 5:6-11, Matthew 9:36-10:8

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION -**

Jesus was concerned about his people. He wanted to bring to them the Kingdom of his Father, so he set out to heal them, and sent others out to do the same. His aim was to bring them the peace of God, to help them by ridding them of their worries, their sickness, their embarrassment at being lost sheep without a shepherd (God was always the shepherd in Israel). When he set up the twelve apostles he was making a New Israel, a new set of twelve tribes, as a permanent healing body, to make sure that the Kingdom of the Father and its peace and generosity would always be available. He was not setting up a clergy, a set of leaders, but appointing his own helpers in spreading God's Kingdom.

That is what every Christian must do. Do I make it my business to spread the Kingdom or the Kingship of God? Am I a labourer in the harvest, trying to bring God's peace and healing to all the sick sheep? After all, I was made in the image of God, and God gave me the task of following on his creative work. And then Jesus called me, too, to work with him. *Am I supposed to cure the sick and cast out devils?*

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** - Jeremiah 20:10-13, Romans 5:12-15, Matthew 10:26-33

**DAY FOR LIFE – SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

There will be a retiring collection after all Masses for the work of the Anscombe Centre for Bioethics. The funds raised will support life projects across the whole spectrum of life. Many thanks in advance for your generosity and support.

**TODAY SUNDAY 18TH JUNE is FATHERS' DAY**

On this special day we are saluting all fathers and wish them an enjoyable and blessed day. We pray for all fathers and grandfathers including spiritual fathers such as teachers, mentors, priests and all whose lives set an example to others.

We wish all fathers a joy-filled Fathers Day!

We also remember and pray for all those that find this day difficult.

**BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS**

This weekend we baptised Laken Peter Healy. Many congratulations to his parents April and Luke from all at St William of York and welcome Laken to our parish family.



## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We keep in our prayers all our candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Sunday 25th June at the 11.30am** Mass. We continue to pray for their families and their catechists as they journey with them in their preparation.



## 2024 RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST PREPARATION PROGRAMME

An information evening will be held on **Monday 26 June 2023 at 8.00 pm** in the School hall 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 2024.

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](mailto:foresthill@rcaos.org.uk) **BEFORE** the 26th June.

Please collect an information leaflet from the Narthex



## POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION - June 23

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

## SAVE THE DAY - Saturday 21 October 2023 10am-4pm - Formation Day 2023 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors of the South East -

For Parishes in the Deaneries of Camberwell, Lewisham and Lambeth

Venue: Bishop Thomas Grant School, Belltrees Grove, London SW16 2HYS

More information with an agenda will follow closer to the time. Thank you

## FINANCES - MAY 2023

The monthly Offertory Collection - £2,190.52

Donations for Concern Charity in memory of Fr Patrick Aikens RIP - £353.47

Donations for World Communications Day - £207.17

Donations for the Parish Crisis Fund - £193.23

Donations for Toilets Refurbishment Project - £358.13

From monthly standing orders we collected - £4,895.50

Thank you for your continued support

Please gift aid where possible

## **CHANGE TO THURSDAY MORNING MASS FROM JULY 2023**

Starting in July 23, we will not have morning Mass on Thursdays, excluding holydays of obligation and special occasions and the church will be open for private prayer instead from 9.30am to 10.00am. For parishioners wishing to attend Mass on Thursdays, please consider going to a neighbouring parish.

## **175th ANNIVERSARY MASS - ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, SOUTHWARK**

On 4 July 2023 at 6.00 pm, Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate a Solemn Mass to mark the 175th anniversary of the opening of St George's, Southwark. All are welcome. The Apostolic Nuncio will impart the Apostolic Blessing at the conclusion of the celebration.

## **NEW BISHOP FOR THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM AND NEWCASTLE**

This week, it was announced that a new bishop, The Rt Rev. Stephen Wright, has been appointed by the Holy Father to the See of Hexham and Newcastle. Please keep Bishop Stephen in your prayers, as well as the people of his new diocese.



## **UKRAINIAN FLOOD EMERGENCY APPEAL**

Bishop Kenneth of the Ukrainian Church in Great Britain has asked to circulate details of a flood appeal to support families displaced by the destruction of the Nova Kakhovka dam and the subsequent flooding of the Dnipro River.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AxqCi2ob-F\\_ftmz4-JsmZC54u\\_Eklbr/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AxqCi2ob-F_ftmz4-JsmZC54u_Eklbr/view?usp=sharing)

## **RACIAL JUSTICE IN THE CHURCH: Walking together, praying together, and working together - Webinar: 11 July 14:00-15:30**

A webinar will be held this summer to build upon the work which has taken place around Racial Justice Sunday in recent years, and is open to anyone who wishes to discover more about racial justice in the Church. Participants will be encouraged to learn from one another, and to share their own experiences and initiative, which will help inform the ongoing mission of the Bishops' Conference in this area.

To register interest visit: [www.cbcew.org.uk/webinar-racial-justice-in-the-church](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/webinar-racial-justice-in-the-church)

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Souls of

**John Warner RIP**

John will be received into St William of York on Thursday 29 June 2023 at 6.30pm

Funeral to take place on Friday 30 June 2023 at 11.00am

Please remember Anne and family and friends in your prayers

**Cornelius (Con) Manning RIP**

Funeral arrangements to be advised

Please remember Con's family and friends in your prayers

**Joana Taylor RIP**

Funeral to take place at St William of York on Tuesday 20 June at 11.30am

Please remember Joana's family and friends in your prayers

**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**

**PARISH DIARY**

Sun 18 June 5pm	Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Thurs 22 June 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Fri 23 June 9am-12pm	Baby & Toddler Group	Cafe York
Sat 24 June 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church

**MASS ATTENDEES**

27/28 May - 418 3/4 June - 279 10/11 June - 445



**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

**Saturday 17 June 2023**

**18:00** John Cooper RIP

**Sunday 18 June 2023**

**09:30** For the Parishioners

**11:30** Fr Sean Heslin RIP (Leitrim & Florida)

**Monday 19 June 2023 - St. John Rigby, Martyr**

**09:30** Peter Healy Get Well

**Tuesday 20 June 2023 - St. Alban, Martyr**

**09:30** Condon Family (FM)

**11:30** Funeral of Joana Taylor RIP

**Wednesday 21 June 2023 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

**09:30** Agnes Adebanke Otiko (live-streamed)

**Thursday 22 June 2023 - Sts. John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs**

**09:30** Mary Nealon RIP

**Friday 23 June 2023 - Feria**

**09:30** Frances Ellis (FM)

**Saturday 24 June 2023- THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**10:30** Welfare of Gerald & Marie Gunasingham

**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

**Saturday 24 June 2023**

**18:00** Maureen Coffey RIP

**Sunday 25 June 2023**

**09:30** For the Parishioners

**11:30** **CONFIRMATION MASS (live-streamed)**

For the Confirmandi, their families and catechists

Please access the live streaming by visiting our parish Facebook page

[www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/](http://www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/)





**Archdiocese of Southwark**

**VACANCY: Schools Singing Programme Choral Director**

The Schools Singing Programme of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark, part of the National Schools Singing Programme, founded and generously supported by the Hamish Ogston Foundation. The programme currently operates in nine schools in the Southwark, Lambeth, Greenwich and Lewisham, and is seeking to expand further into South London and Kent.

To find out more about this role:- <https://rcaos.org.uk/news-events/news/vacancy-schools-singing-programme-choral-director/>



# Travelling Knitted Bible Exhibition

*arranged by*

**Churches Together in Sydenham and Forest Hill**

*at*

**St Bartholomew's Church, Westwood Hill, Sydenham, SE26  
6QR**

*FREE exhibition of 35 knitted tableaux illustrating biblical scenes*

**12<sup>th</sup> June to 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2023**



## **Public Opening times**

*Monday to Thursday*

**1pm to 4:30pm**

*(12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June and  
19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> June)*

*Closed on Fridays*

*Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June*

**10.00am to 4:30pm**

*Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June*

**10:00am to 12:30pm**

**Admission is free** but donations are welcome to cover the costs of bringing the exhibition to Sydenham

Churches Together would like to thank the Revd. Jim Perry and St Bartholomew's church for hosting the exhibition. Our thanks also to St George's United Reformed Church in Hartlepool which created and maintains the exhibition.

*Churches Together in Sydenham and Forest Hill organises annual celebrations for the week of prayer for Christian Unity and for the World Day of Prayer on behalf of churches of all denominations in Sydenham and Forest Hill.*





**St William of York**  
Catholic Primary School

Brockley Park, Forest Hill, London SE23 1PS

Headteacher: Mrs Sharon Lynch

School Website: [www.swoy.lewisham.sch.uk](http://www.swoy.lewisham.sch.uk)

# Nursery and Reception places available for September 2023!

Please contact the school office for more information.

Email: [admin@swoy.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@swoy.lewisham.sch.uk)

Telephone: 020 8690 2842

**Come and visit our lovely small school!**

Visits and tours by appointment!



Forest School sessions.

Experienced, and enthusiastic  
teaching staff.

Lovely children, parents and school community!

One form entry, small, friendly and we celebrate your  
child's unique gifts and talents.



15hrs and 30hrs available. Mornings, Afternoons and ALL DAY from 9am—3pm  
with wraparound care. Wraparound care available from our Breakfast Club and After School  
Club Providers.

We are a Catholic primary school. However, we accept Non-Catholic children, and ALL  
religions are welcome! We celebrate diversity and are an inclusive and welcoming school!

