



**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

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)
23 April 2023**

Alleluia, Alleluia Christ is Risen

Dear Parishioners,

Our Annual International Mass and the feast of our Patron Saint will be celebrated on Sunday 11th June 2023 (Corpus Christi Sunday) at 10:30am Mass. We have established the International day to be an annual event where all members of our parish and school communities come together to celebrate our unity and diversity. Parishioners are invited to suggest and sing hymns and music for the liturgy in different languages, cook their national dish or speciality and bring it to be shared after Mass at our celebration at the school grounds, dress up with their national costume etc...

The Parish music group for the liturgy and the parish social team for the refreshments would like to hear from you, please contact us using the parish email foresthill@rcaos.org.uk or foresthillmusic@rcaos.org.uk

In order to bring the parish together from time to time, I and the parish Liturgy and pastoral teams have decided to Celebrate 4 Sunday Masses annually at 10:30am.

We will celebrate the feast of Pentecost on Sunday 28th May 2023 with a 10.30am Mass. Please put this in your diary.

Fr Habte

TODAY'S READINGS - Acts 2:14,22-33, 1 Peter 1:17-21, Luke 24:13-35

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The risen Jesus, unrecognised by his two disciples on the road to Emmaus, reminds us to look out for him in the stranger walking alongside us, especially when we are walking through difficult times. He lifts their spirits, revealing the true nature and purpose of the Messiah, as written by the prophets in the Old Testament, and still they don't recognise him. Like the disciples, we can better understand God's loving plan of salvation for all nations through discovering the New Testament hidden in the Old. The New Testament itself reveals that Jesus is the bread of life and we too recognise Jesus through the sharing of the bread in the Holy Eucharist. Moreover, we also have the joy of knowing that we share in Jesus' resurrection. PB

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Acts 2:14,36-41, 1 Peter 2:20-25, John 10:1-10

MAINTENANCE OF ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL - 2ND COLLECTION - SUNDAY 23 APRIL

St George's Cathedral is the mother church of the diocese.

This second collection helps meet the cost of the upkeep of the cathedral .

Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND - SECOND COLLECTION 30th APRIL 2023

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese.

After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 3 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today. Thank you! ·

Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF

- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church

· Contactless device in the Narthex or via our website [Donate with Dona](#)

Many thanks in advance for your generosity.



VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Have you ever considered you may be called to the priesthood or the religious life? Southwark Vocations will be hosting a 60 minute webinar on **Tuesday 9th May at 7pm** entitled *The Good Shepherd Calls* where different presenters will share their experiences about discovering God's plan for each one of us. Please join us by registering for this event in advance by using following link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpdOuprDMtH9wKUQ777ddSSjLBucMtsONt>



CYCLE OF PRAYER - Intentions for Eastertide:

New Members of the Church

Vocations - on the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the 4th Sunday of Easter

Survivors of Sexual Abuse - especially on Tuesday in the fifth Week of Easter.

The Right Use of the Media - especially on World Communications Day, Seventh Sunday of Easter.

The Church - especially at Pentecost

Human Work - especially on 1st May, Saint Joseph the Worker

Southwark Archdiocese

Life in the Spirit
Seminars 2023

THIS EASTERTIDE ACROSS SOUTHWARK

Explore what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit

Weekly talks and discussion – Daily reflections – All day retreat

“A wonderful experience – perfect and glorious!” – 2022 seminar participant

At St George's Cathedral or a 'Hub' location around the diocese or join on Zoom

On Tuesday evenings – 2, 9, 16, 30 May and 6 June

(or otherwise as advertised for Hubs)

Plus All Day Retreat at St George's on Sat 27 May



For more details
and to register:
bit.ly/SOUTHWARK2023

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ARCHDIOCESE of SOUTHWARK

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARIES

Please note on the following Sundays we will come together as a community with the Celebration of the Liturgy at 10.30am (one Sunday Mass on these dates) :-

28 May 23 - Pentecost Sunday

11 June 23 - Parish International Day

3 December 23 - First Sunday of Advent

18 February 24 - First Sunday of Lent

THE LAY COMMUNITY OF SAINT BENEDICT

WELCOME to the first edition of a new monthly newsletter simply calling Friends.

[CLICK HERE](#) We hope that you enjoy these regular updates of what is going in the LCSB. In this edition you will see an invite to join us in online prayer – please feel very welcome to come at any time – the times are indicated and all you need to do, if you have not done so already, is register on the website, and you will be able to enter the online space where our hosts will welcome you. <https://www.lcsb.uk/>



TEACHING AND LEADING IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Education Commission at the Diocese would like to invite all Catholic teachers in the Parish to join their twilight session: Teaching and Leading in Catholic School. Date: Thursday 27th April 2023 Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm
Venue: Amigo Hall at Lambeth Rd, SE1 6HR If you are interested in attending please register by clicking here or if you have any queries please contact Sharon Docherty, RE Team Leader and Professional Learning Manager
sharondocherty@rcaos.org.uk



GETTING MARRIED?

At least six months' notice needs to be given for marriages whether they are taking place at SWOY or elsewhere to give time for the necessary pastoral and administrative preparation. Please speak to Fr. Habte in the first instance.

BAPTISM

All who wish their children to be baptised at St William of York, please contact Father Habte to complete the Baptism form. All parents who want their baby baptised need to attend the baptism preparation class.

Please continue to pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

Roy Raphael RIP

Funeral to take place at St William of York on Friday 19 May at 11.00am

Please pray for Roy's family and friends at this difficult time

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

MASS ATTENDEES

1/2 Apr - 474 8/9 Apr - 535 15/16 Apr - 234

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 23 April 6pm	Confirmation 7th Session	Church
Thursday 27 April 8pm	Choir Practice	Church
Friday 28 April 9am-12pm	Baby & Toddler Group	Cafe York
Saturday 29 April 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church
Sunday 30 April 3pm	Eucharist 4th Session	Church

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For a culture of peace and non-violence. We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

Saturday 22 April 2023

18:00 Mary Garvey RIP

Sunday 23 April 2023

09:30 For the Parishioners

Prayers for Joan Godwin RIP 12th Anniversary

11:30 Michael Ibini 4th Birthday Blessings

Prayers for Assunta & Francesco Bongiovanni

25th Wedding Anniversary

Monday 24 April 2023 - SAINT GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England

09:30 Sue Hepworth RIP

Tuesday 25 April 2023 - St. Mark, Evangelist

09:30 Sylvester Orieso RIP

Wednesday 26 April 2023 - Feria

09:30 Mirella Damele ([live-streamed](#))

Thursday 27 April 2023 - Feria

09:30 Alice Gillett (FM)

Friday 28 April 2023 - Feria

09:30 Peter Healey Wellbeing

Saturday 29 April - St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

10:30 Forgotten Souls in Purgatory (FM)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday 29 April 2023

18:00 Joseph Dominique RIP Anniversary

Sunday 30 April 2023

09:30 For the Parishioners

11:30 Mary O'Sullivan RIP 3rd Anniversary

Please access the live streaming by visiting: www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/