



PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest:

Fr. Vincent Nnatuanya C.S.S.p

Other Priests:

Fr. Marcel Uzoigwe C.S.S.p

Parish Secretary:

Miss Vijitha Alfred

Hall Manager:

Mrs Maggie Rea
Tel: 07885 353105

MASS TIMES:

Daily at 10am
Saturday (Vigil) at 6.30pm
Sunday 10.15 & 12noon
1st Saturday of the month
Devotion/Confessions

ROSARY:

Mon-Fri 9.30am
Sun 9.20am

PARISH TEL:

020 3105 8577

PARISH E-MAIL:

shootershill@rcaos.org.uk

PARISH WEBSITE:

<https://stjosephs-rcaos.org.uk/>

OFFICE HOURS:

Wed 10am-2pm

SCHOOL:

Notre Dame Catholic
Primary School
Tel: 020 8854 0585
Website:
<https://www.notredame.greenwich.sch.uk/>

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

The children's liturgy Dates will be
11-10-2026

MASS INTENTIONS: 03rd October 2026 – 11th October 2026

03/09/2026 Saturday 6.30pm	No Mass
04/09/2026 Sunday 10.15am	Birthday thanksgiving for gift of life -Scholar
04/09/2026 Sunday 12.00pm	-Mass for deceased Priscilla West and family -Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
05/09/2026 Monday 10.00am	Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
06/09/2026 Tuesday 10.00am	-Maria Nguyen Thi Sen RIP -Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
07/09/2026 Wed 10.00am	Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
08/10/2025 Thur 10.00am	Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
09/10/2026 Friday 10.00am	-Families of Osagie & George thanksgiving -Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
10/10/2026 Saturday 6.30pm	Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP
11/10/2026 Sunday 10.15 am	Maria Nguyen Thi Sen RIP
11/10/2026 Sunday 12.00pm	Pray for Peter Bui Van Ly RIP

<i>First reading</i>	<i>Isaiah: 5:1-7</i>	<i>'My thought are not your thoughts'</i>
<i>Psalm</i>	<i>Psalm 80(79):9-12.13-14.15-16.19-20. R-</i>	<i>The vineyard of the lord is the house if Israel</i>
<i>Second reading</i>	<i>Philippians 4:6-9</i>	<i>'Practice these things and the God of peace will be with you'</i>
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	<i>Cf. John 15:16</i>	<i>I chose you out of the world, says the Lord, and you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.</i>
<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Mathew 21:33-43</i>	<i>'He will let out the vineyard to other tenants'</i>

NOTICES

EXPOSITION & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our parish every Sunday, between 9am -10am before the 10.15am Mass

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES (SCYS): Faith, friendship, formation and unforgettable experiences. There's plenty happening across SCYS, with opportunities for young people, young adults and parish youth leaders. Take a look at what's coming up and start planning for the year ahead. Go to <https://scys.org.uk/>

🎵 **MUSIC CONCERT AT ST. JOSEPH'S** 🎵 Join us for a wonderful evening of music on Saturday, 3rd October at 7:00 pm! Enjoy hymns, jazz, classical and folk music, featuring our St. Joseph's Choir, soloists, professional musicians and special guests. A suggested donation of £10/£15 per person or £20/£30 per family will go towards the church hall restoration. Come along, enjoy the music, and bring your family and friends! 🎵

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COLLECTIONS:

26th/27th September

1st collection: £ 473.00

2nd collection: £ 211.55

10th/11th October

Hall fund

100 CLUB:

The winner of the September 2026 draw is **Miss Eileen CONGRATULATIONS!**

The total amount to the Parish in SEP 2026 is £476.

PARISH BANK DETAILS:

Please contact the Parish office for these details or ask the Parish Priest

SAFEGUARDING: It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger.

Further safeguarding information

-Parish Website

<https://stjosephs-rcaos.org.uk/>

-Parish Safeguarding Representatives:

*Melanie Lanzon

shootershillsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

*John Woodcock

shootershillsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

PARISH NEWSLETTER

To save on printing costs, we only print a double-sided copy of the weekly newsletter. There is a longer version on the parish website with much more information – please take a look.

🔱 OCTOBER — MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY 🔱 As we dedicate the month of October to the Holy Rosary, we warmly invite and encourage everyone to join us for the Rosary each morning at the church before Mass. We understand that some have busy schedules and may not be able to join us in the morning. Yet we encourage every parishioner to endeavour to say the rosary daily. In addition, we are offering a special evening gathering every Friday at 7:00 PM in the church, during which we pray the Rosary together followed by Spiritual Talk focused on the October devotion. Please come and join us as a parish community to deepen our faith, reflect on the life of Christ and Our Blessed Mother.

NOTICE-Fr Vincent is on vacation and in his place, Fr Benedict Wambua CSSp, has come from St Paul's Dover to help us pastorally until Fr Vincent Comes back. We welcome Fr Benedict to our parish.

PARISH REGISTRATION FORMS-Dear Parishioners, please collect the Parish Registration Form available at the porch, complete all the required details, and return the completed form directly to the priests only at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY HARVEST APPEAL Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection this weekend. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Use the CAFOD envelope available on the table at the back of the church—please gift aid your donation by completing the GA declaration on the back of the envelope, donate online at <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/parishes/virtual-envelope> or call 0303 303 3030, scan the QR code below



🔊 JOB VACANCY – DESIGN TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN-St Catherine's Catholic School, Bexleyheath, is looking for an enthusiastic, creative and well-organised **Design Technology Technician** to join our vibrant school community. If you have a strong background in DT and a passion for supporting students, we'd love to hear from you! For more information and to apply: <https://www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/com> Please share with anyone who may be interested. Thank you!

REGISTRATIONS FOR THE PROGRAMME OF PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. This programme is for children who are baptised Roman Catholics, are in School Year 3 or above, and regularly attend Mass in this parish. To register and collect the necessary forms, please speak with one of our catechists or parish priest after Mass, where further information will also be available

REGISTRATIONS FOR THE PROGRAMME OF PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION is now taking place. This is for baptised Roman Catholics who are in School year 9 or above and for any practising Roman Catholic adult who has not yet been confirmed. To register and collect the necessary forms, please speak with one of our catechists or parish priest after Mass, where further information will also be available.

THE RCIA PROGRAMME (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will start in this parish in January. This is for any Adult wishing to become a Roman Catholic - be Baptised, Confirmed and prepared to receive the Holy Eucharist. Please give your name and details to the priest if you would like to join the programme or speak with him for further details.

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FEAST OF SAINT JUDE ON 24TH, 25TH & 28TH OCTOBER. The programme of activities during the feast includes regular celebrations of the Eucharist, blessings with the oil of Saint Jude, and other devotions. Please see poster for the full programme of events and times. All are welcome. For more info please call 01795 539214 or visit <https://stjudeshrine.org.uk/events/feast-of-saintjude-2026/>

LECTORS' & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS' FORMATION DAY Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the South East Area, warmly invites all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to a Formation Day on the theme "Nourished by the Word, Sent with the Eucharist." The day will include Holy Mass, formation, discussion and Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Bexley, Bromley, Greenwich & Woolwich Deaneries: Saturday 31st October, 10am–2pm at the Capuchin Franciscan Friary, Erith DA8 1DN. Participants are asked to arrive by 9:45 a.m. and to bring a packed lunch.

REPOSITORY The repository is open after Sunday masses. Please get your sacramental

VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST GERARD MAJELLA: Celebrate St Gerard's 300th anniversary at St George's Cathedral on Friday 2 October. Relics for personal prayer from 5pm, Mass celebrated by Bishop Gerard Bradley at 6pm, with blessings afterwards.

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE-A one-day course for married couples of any age to explore their relationship, deepen communication, and reflect on the Church's call to marriage. No group sharing; all discussion remains private to each couple. Next date: 3 October (West Norwood). Booking essential: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

GRIEF IN LOSS WEEKEND 9 - 11 October. Guided by Liz Taylor, Barbara Salamonczyk and Father Ged Walsh O Carm, this weekend is for anyone who has experienced bereavement, whether recently or some time ago. The weekends provide a sense of shared comfort, through grieving, remembering, hoping and giving thanks for loved ones in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus. Cost: £280pp (single) / £250pp (shared). For more information or to book a place please contact 01622 717 272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk

FUNDRAISING FOR DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE- From Bishop Paul. One of the trustees of our Lourdes pilgrimage has been doing a sponsored walk to raise money to help disabled pilgrims to go to Lourdes. He will be in parts of Kent and SE London this week. If you would be willing to contribute, he has a fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/page/calourdes125sw

ADOREMUS is the Bishop's invitation to renew our devotion to the Eucharistic Lord. There will be a Eucharistic Procession between St George's Cathedral and Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 10th October. There will be space to watch the start of the Procession at St George's, to follow online, to watch the Procession as it passes (Stop & Pray) and to join for Benediction either in the Cathedral or the grounds of the Cathedral for which a live sound stream will be provided. More information on the programme for the day and the booking link to be a part of the 'representative group' inside the Cathedrals is found here: <https://aecsouthwark.churchsuite.com/events/7ehv6onh> We encourage booking early.

YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS WALKING PILGRIMAGE: Let Us Walk is a national walking pilgrimage from the Church of St. Francis in Maidstone to St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, via Aylesford, Otford, Dartford, Erith, Greenwich and Waterloo, London between October 5th to 9th 2026. The pilgrimage will celebrate the Year of St. Francis of Assisi and will reach

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Southwark Cathedral the day before the Adoremus Eucharistic event on 10th October 2026. <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/let-us-walk-that-we-may-adore-2026>

STATEMENT ON THE TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (End of Life) Bill. Ahead of the Bill's Second Reading on 11 September, Archbishop John Sherrington has issued a statement opposing it, citing inadequate safeguards and risks to palliative care. Parishioners are urged to contact their MP via Right to Life UK. More info on the Catholic Bishops' Conference website.

PLEASE NOTE that we have been instructed by the diocese to remove parish bank details from all future newsletters and websites due to increasing number of fraudulent activities on parish accounts. If you require these details in the future, please contact the parish office or speak to the Parish Priest

FLAME is the largest Catholic gathering for young people in the UK and is on Sat 6 March 2027 at the OVO Arena Wembley. The theme is: "Take courage! I have overcome the world." (John 16:33) Flame is open to those in school Year 9 to university age. Tickets are £30pp. <https://form.jotform.com/260283743259361>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

CARITAS COORDINATOR to support community engagement, communications and events across the Archdiocese of Southwark. Parish Secretary, St Mary's Croydon to support day-to-day administration of a vibrant and diverse parish community. Find out more about both roles and to apply go to rcaos.org.uk/vacancies.

ICT TEAM ADMINISTRATOR to provide vital administrative and operational support to our ICT function, serving both the Diocese of Westminster and the Archdiocese of Southwark. Find out more and apply at External Jobs: Archdiocese of Southwark rcaos.org.uk/vacancies

WORLD YOUTH DAY KOREA 2027: Join Archbishop John Wilson for the Archdiocese of Southwark's pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea, from 2 to 9 August 2027 for young adults aged 18-35. World Youth Day brings together over one million young Catholics from across the world with Pope Leo XIV for prayer, catechesis, pilgrimage, and celebration of the faith. It is a unique opportunity to deepen your faith and experience the joy of the universal Church. Package prices: • Full package including flights: £3,270 • Ground package only: £1,870 A £400 deposit is required by close on Monday 29 June. For full details, fundraising information, and booking, please visit: www.tinyurl.com/wyhome1

A DAY WITH MARY St Saviour Lewisham High Street, SE13 Saturday 15 August 2026 from 10.00am – 4.30pm. Confession & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the day. Please go to <https://adaywithmary.org/> for the full day programme or see poster.

CAFOD- VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL You can help our neighbours affected by the 24 June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030 or scan the QR code. Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers.



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TABLE & STOOL HIRE St Joseph's has recently invested in **10 tables and 100 stools**, which are now available for hire. If you're hiring the parish hall, the tables and stools can be added for an additional **£50**. They are also available to hire separately for **£100**. To help ensure the furniture is well looked after, hires are limited to members of our parish community and people known to us.

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ONLINE PARISH GIFT AID DECLARATION SIGN-UP: Support our parish and make your donations go further by signing a valid Gift Aid Declaration form. Go to <https://forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid>.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH It depends on the generosity of all the parishioners to enable the parish to continue and flourish. We encourage parishioners to become involved by volunteering and contributing financially.

WEBELIEVE | Festival of Catholic Life Friday 24–Monday 27 July 2026 | St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham WeBelieve Festival brings the Church together in England and Wales. It is an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to experience the joy of community, and to encounter personally the Lord Jesus, our salvation. Join us from 24–27 July 2026 at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott, for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. **Book tickets** webeliefefestival.com

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED -We are looking for volunteers who may be interested in arranging the **church flowers**. If you would like to help with this important and much-appreciated ministry, please get in touch via church email - shootershill@rcaos.org.uk. Your support would be greatly valued. Thank you

CONTACTLESS MACHINE: CHOOSE WHERE YOUR DONATION GOES-Our contactless donation machines now offer a variety of giving options allowing you to support the areas of parish life that matter most to you. With just a quick tap, you can direct your contribution to: *Parish offertory *Candles *Building fund *Easter offering. These options make it easier than ever to give intentionally and support the work that keeps thriving. * Please remember to select Gift Aid when making your first donation. Your details will then be saved, so future donations are automatically recorded as Gift Aid

GIFT AID -All those currently in the Gift Aid Scheme, please collect your **New GIFT AID BOX** after mass this weekend or during week. New members are most welcome to join. Registration is very simple, just pick a form today. Complete it and hand it in. Thank you to all those who contribute magnificently to gift aid. May God bless you abundantly for your support

WEEKLY COLLECTION Please do not put foreign coins or other tokens in the weekly collection as this causes problems for our counting team and when banking cash

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PARISH DIGITAL TEAM- Our new digital team will manage the Parish's website and digital channels including the new screen displays. We are inviting our young people to join the new digital team. If you have an interest in technology, do join the team by contacting parish office. You can also contact our Parish Priests or any of the Parish Teams.



WELCOMERS GROUP

Would anyone like to join our existing Welcoming Group? It is hoped to start a rota again so all Masses during the weekend will have at least 2 people to welcome people, answer queries and **smile** before and after Mass. They will be expected to arrive 15 mins before Mass and leave approx. 15 mins after and have a basic understanding of our parish. **If you feel you can help with this, please give your details on the form on the notice board.**

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