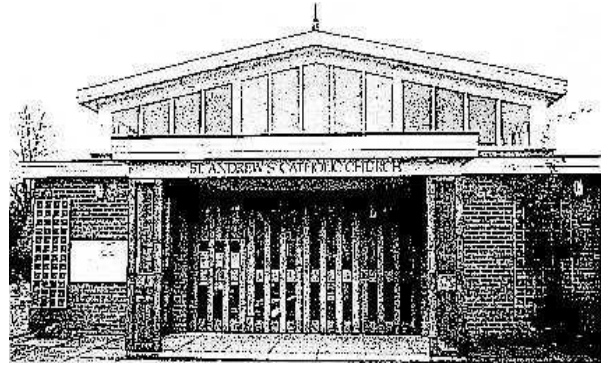


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# ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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17<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (B)

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## Message from Fr Len

### The Body, a gift from God

Whenever the government is lobbied for changes to the abortion law, as we have just seen in Northern Ireland, we hear those in favour of abortion constantly proclaim that they can do what they like with their bodies. The trouble is we can't do what we like with our bodies as they are not Our Bodies. If they were then they would not have a mind of their own, they would do everything that we ask of them and would be little more than machines at the bidding of an individual's will. We all know that is not the case, especially when illness comes and we become aware of how fragile and weak we all are. This realisation of course comes in full force as we get older and our bodies become frailer.

We often meet this mentality which treats our bodies as machines in all sorts of ways, quite often through medical professionals, who often see no relationship between our emotional lives and our health. However I am sure we have all experienced periods of immense sadness and know first-hand what effects that has upon us.

The truth is that the body is a gift from God and should be treated as such, even more so for us who have been baptised, the sacrament through which the body becomes the temple of the Holy Spirit. This fact is of course reflected in the mass where we pray with our bodies, our voices as well as internally.

Our readings this week try to influence us to adopt an attitude towards our bodies which reflect how special and sacred they are. So sacred are our bodies that God has promised to resurrect them on the last day in the same way that he did with Jesus. Realising this fact must influence the way that we treat ourselves. We all know the result of neglect of our bodies through exercise, over or under eating or whatever it may be and all these things have their spiritual cause, as does an attitude which denies God and claims sovereignty over a body which an individual has neither created nor can hold in being.

So this week reflect on what a wonderful gift a human body is even if it may be not quite as we would like it and realise that through the human body we also encounter the human face of Jesus.

### This Sunday's Readings

<b>Ezekiel 17:22-24</b>	<b>I make low trees grow</b>
<b>Psalms 91</b>	<b>It is good to give you thanks, O Lord</b>
<b>2 Corinthians 5:6-10</b>	<b>Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord</b>
<b>Mark 4:26-34</b>	<b>It is the smallest of all the seeds; yet it grows into the biggest shrub of them all</b>

## Diary for the Week

<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b> <i>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i> (B)  <i>Father's Day</i>	6.00pm (Saturday)	<b>First Mass of Sunday - First Holy Communion Mass</b>	Theo Fernandes RIP (Anniv)
	9.30am	<b>Mass - First Holy Communion Mass</b>	D. Cruz Family & Friends RIP
	11.30am	<b>Mass - First Holy Communion Mass</b>	Parishioners
	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Rosary</b>	
	<b>5.15 – 5.45pm</b>	<b>Exposition and Benediction</b>	
	6.00pm	Mass	Holy Souls
	<b>7.00 - 9.00pm</b>	<b>Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b> <i>Feria</i> <i>1 Kg 21:1-16</i> <i>Mt 5:38-42</i>	7.30am	Mass	Giovanni Notaro-Antonio RIP (Anniv) Henrikas RIP
	10.00am	Mass	
	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Funeral: Mrs Kathleen Kearns RIP (Croydon Crem.)</b>	
	<b>5.45 – 7.15pm</b>	<b>Beavers (hall)</b>	
	<b>7.00 - 8.00pm</b>	<b>Parish Surgery</b>	
	<b>7.30 – 9.00pm</b>	<b>Scouts (hall)</b>	
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b> <i>St Romuald</i> <i>1 Kg 21:17-29</i> <i>Mt 5:43-48</i>	7.30am	Mass	Nijole RIP Canon John Joseph Naughton RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass	
	<b>5.15pm</b>	<b>First Holy Communion rehearsals</b>	
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b> <i>St Alban</i> <i>2 Kg 2:1. 6-14</i> <i>Mt 6:1-6. 16-18</i>	7.30am	Mass	Deceased members Andradi Family RIP Irmas Family (W/B)
	10.00am	Mass	
	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Active Retirement Group</b>	
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Lectio Divina Group (hall)</b>	
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Legion of Mary (hall)</b>	
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b> <i>St Aloysius Gonzaga</i> <i>Si 48:1-1, Mt 6:7-15</i>	7.30am	Mass	Holy Souls William Gill RIP
	10.00am	Mass	
	<b>7.00 – 8.30pm</b>	<b>Cubs (St James the Great)</b>	
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b> <i>St John Fisher &amp; St Thomas</i> <i>More. 2 Kg 11:1-4. 9-18. 20, Mt 6:19-23</i>	7.30am	Mass	Holy Souls Frederick Furey RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass	
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Altar Server training (for 9.30am Mass teams 1,2,3)</b>	
<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b> <i>St Etheldreda</i> <i>2 Ch 24:17-25</i> <i>Mt 6:24-34</i>	9.30am	Mass	Holy Souls  Judex Leong-Chung RIP (Anniv)
	<b>10.00 – 10.30am</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	<b>5.00 – 5.30pm</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday	
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b> <i>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</i> (B)	9.30am	<b>Mass – First Holy Communion Mass</b>	Botelho & Carrasco Families
	11.30am	<b>Mass – First Holy Communion Mass</b>	Parishioners
	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Rosary</b>	
	<b>5.15 – 5.45pm</b>	<b>Exposition and Benediction</b>	
	6.00pm	<b>Mass – First Holy Communion Mass</b>	Kate Furey RIP (Anniv)
	<b>7.00 - 9.00pm</b>	<b>Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	

### Money Matters



Collection Last Sunday	£1,352.01 (£1.35 per person)
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 761.00</u>
Total offertory	£2,113.01
CaTEW collection	£ 588.11
Second collection for Day of Prayer for Human Life	

*Thank you for your generosity*

#### Altar Servers

This week Team 2  
Next week Team 3



#### Church Cleaners

This week St Jude's Group  
Next week Judie's Crew

## St. Andrew's Parish Notices

### **NEW HEADTEACHER AT VIRGO FIDELIS**

The new headteacher at Virgo Fidelis Convent Senior School, Mrs Hilary Meyer, will be coming to St Andrews to introduce herself to the congregation on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June at the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses.

### **SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

The second collection this weekend is for Day of Prayer for Human Life. This is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life collection provide core funding for the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other life related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in the particular field determined by the theme of the year.

### **THE GHANAIAI COMMUNITY**

The group will be meeting today Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June after the 11.30am Mass in the hall.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Please note that there will be a First Holy Communion rehearsal on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 5.15pm in the Church. This year there are over 50 children receiving communion; some children are having theirs this weekend and some for next weekend Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please pray for the children and their families.

### **CHURCH KEY REGISTER**

We have been asked by our insurance company to ensure that we have an up-to-date register of everyone who hold Church keys (just for the Church, not the hall). It is important that we comply with this request for insurance purposes. There are still some people who have not come forward to sign so please can we ask that everyone who has Church keys to let us know as you will have to come in to sign your details in our register.

### **SOCIAL COMMITTEE: ITALIAN NIGHT – SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

The Social Committee will be having an Italian night in the Church hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30-10.30pm. There will be a glass of prosecco on arrival followed by a 3 course meal, dancing, a raffle and a licenced bar. Tickets are £12 each for adults and £6 for children and they will be on sale after all Masses.

### **MRS KATHLEEN KEARNS RIP**

Mrs Kearns sadly passed away recently and her funeral will be held at 11.15am on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June at Croydon Crematorium. The burial will be in Ireland. May she Rest in Peace.

### **PARISH AGM**

Please join us for the Parish AGM which will be held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June starting at 7.00pm in the hall followed by some refreshments. Copies of the reports will be available at all Masses next weekend.

### **400 CLUB**

May winners:           £20 No: 144 Bella D'Souza  
                              £10 No: 14 Brian McGrath  
                              £10 No: 62 Tony Flavin

June winners:         £20 No: 27 Marietta Notaro-Antonio  
                              £10 No: 52 Rosaleen Doyle  
                              £10 No: 112 Nina Cowley

### **CAFOD REFUGEE CRISIS APPEAL**

This week, 18 - 24<sup>th</sup> June, is Refugee week. It is 20 years since it was set up and has been raising funds and helping refugees in many countries. Please see the Justice & Peace Notice board at the back of the Church for more information or go online to CAFOD, Christian Aid or Caritas. Your donation will help

our sister agencies in the Caritas network across Europe, the Middle East and Syria to support traumatised refugees.

### **THE CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS)**

The nationally accredited Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) provides an introduction to Catholic theology for teachers, catechists, chaplains and school governors. This course is an introduction to the teaching and beliefs of the Catholic Church and is managed in this Archdiocese on behalf of the Bishops' Conference by the Centre for Catholic Formation (CCF). Please take a brochure in the porch. If you would like to find out more about the CCRS please go to one of the introductory evenings on Tuesday 11 September 7.30 – 8.30pm at the CCF, 21 Tooting Bec Road, London SW17 8BS or Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 – 8.30pm, at The Angelus Centre, Bexley Road, Erith DA8 3HQ. For enquiries or to book your attendance 020 8672 7684 or email [ccrs@ccftootingbec.org.uk](mailto:ccrs@ccftootingbec.org.uk).

### **THE CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY: MASS OF THANKSGIVING**

The Catholic Truth Society warmly invites you to A Mass of Thanksgiving in honour of its 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2.15pm, at Westminster Cathedral. No invitation is necessary to attend the Mass. For more information: [onefifties.org/events](http://onefifties.org/events)

### **FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCY: ST PHILOMENA'S HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**

There is a vacancy available for a Foundation Governor in the new academic year 2018/19. The school would like to hear from practising Catholics with expertise in law, finance or HR. If you are interested please contact the Clerk to Governors by email [clerk@stphils.org.uk](mailto:clerk@stphils.org.uk) by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July.

### **YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND: 7 - 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Theme: "Tell others the truth that sets you free" (Pope Benedict XVI).

During the weekend of the 7 - 9 September, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, it will feature Fr. Lawrence Lew O.P. and Canon Poucin.

The weekend will be full-board. YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (on the beauty of silence in the Mass plus social media and evangelization) and socials. All Masses will be celebrated in the Extraordinary form. Please note to guarantee your place this year Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend i.e. 17<sup>th</sup> August. More information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> and to book go to: <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2018>

### **ALTAR SERVERS SUMMER BREAK**


The Altar Servers summer break is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August in Woldingham, Surrey, cost £145. This is an excellent few days for boy and girl servers aged 10-15 years. Meeting in a holiday atmosphere activities include talks, prayer, daily Mass, sport, Chessington World of Adventures, Laser Elite, swimming etc. For details download application form from [www.stanselm.dartford.wordpress.com](http://www.stanselm.dartford.wordpress.com), or contact Fr Stephen Boyle, tel 01322 220075, email [stanselm01@googlemail.com](mailto:stanselm01@googlemail.com).

#### **Quote of the Week**

**19** Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;

**20** you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

*1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

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