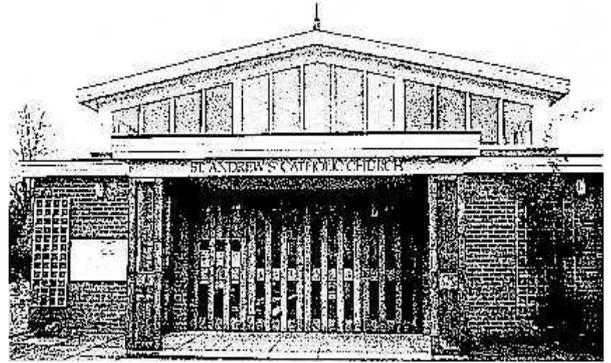

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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Welcome to St Andrew's RC Church. Worship has been offered here since 1905. You are all very welcome to join in the hymns and other parts of the service as much as possible. Please switch mobile phones off and refrain from taking photographs, filming or recording.

9th June 2019 Pentecost Sunday (C)

Message from Fr Francis

HOLY SPIRIT, FALL AFRESH ON US

Pentecost saw the birth of a new community, the new People of God. Today then is the birthday of the Church. This is the day the apostles left the 'Upper Room', where they had been hiding for fear of the Jews, and went out fearlessly to preach the Gospel. They could not have done this without "power from on high", that is, the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ, by His Death and Resurrection, merited for us the gift of the Spirit. Pentecost is the fruit of the Paschal Mystery.

On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was given to each one, but He was, too, given to the disciples gathered together, and gathered in oneness of mind. The gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit, St. Paul tells us are for the benefit of all (1 Cor. 12:7), for the building of the Body of Christ, the Church (Eph. 4). The Church teaches that the Holy Spirit always leads us back to the God of holiness, and unites us to Him. It is the action of the Holy Spirit that brings the Church into being and causes salvation and holiness wherever it is found. Therefore, the Holy Spirit is the soul of the Church. However, He does not only act in the Church, but He dwells in us. "No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor. 12:3).

The Holy Spirit is not simply a replacement for Christ; Christ continues to be present and active in an invisible way through the Holy Spirit. At Pentecost, therefore, the Church is sent into the world. Hence the Church is seen as essentially missionary. Through the Holy Spirit, we have been sanctified and clothed with the power and presence of God. Go out and conquer the world through believing, loving, witnessing, praying, and being an apostle. "God is Spirit and those who worship him must do so in spirit and truth" (John 4:25).

This Sunday's Readings

Acts 2:1-11

Psalm 103

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

**They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak
Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth
In the one Spirit we were all baptised
As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy
Spirit**

Diary for the Week

Sunday 9th June <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	6.00pm (Saturday)	First Mass of Sunday (First Holy Communion)	Glenda McGrath RIP
	9.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Theresa McSorley RIP
	11.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Parishioners
	5.00pm	Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm	Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm	Mass	Helen Ibemere
	7.00 - 9.00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	
Monday 10th June <i>Mary Mother of the Church</i> <i>2 Corinthians 1:1-7</i> <i>Matthew 5:1-12</i>	7.30am	Mass	Lurdina Da Cruz
	10.00am	Mass	Felicia Badu Boateng & Family
	5.45 – 7.15pm	Beavers (hall)	
	7.00 – 8.00pm	Family Holy Hour	
	7.00 - 8.00pm	Parish Surgery	
	7.30 – 9.00pm	Scouts (hall)	
Tuesday 11th June <i>St Barbabas</i> <i>Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3</i> <i>Matthew 5:13-16</i>	7.30am	Mass	Elizabeth Salapare RIP
	10.00am	Mass	Special Intention of C.C.
	5.45pm	FHC rehearsals (Church)	
Wednesday 12th June <i>Feria</i> <i>2 Corinthians 3:4-11</i> <i>Matthew 5:17-19</i>	7.30am	Mass	Mr Luiz RIP
	10.00am	Mass	Michael & Phyllis Keane
	2.00pm	Active Retirement Group	
	6.00pm	Lectio Divina Group (hall)	
	7.30pm	Legion of Mary (hall)	
Thursday 13th June <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i> <i>Isaiah 6:1-4. 8</i> <i>John 17:1-2. 9. 14-26</i>	7.30am	Mass	Michael D'Souza RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass	St Anthony of Padua
	7.00 – 8.30pm	Cubs (St James the Great)	
Friday 14th June <i>Feria, 2 Corinthians 4:7-15</i> <i>Matthew 5:27-32</i>	7.30am	Mass	Mr Martinez RIP
	10.00am	Mass	Cully & D'Crux Families RIP
Saturday 15th June <i>Feria</i> <i>2 Corinthians 5:14-21</i> <i>Matthew 5:33-37</i>	9.30am	Mass	Holy Souls
	10.00 – 10.30am	Confessions	
	5.00 – 5.30pm	Confessions	
	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday (First Holy Communion)	Frances Tucker
Sunday 16th June <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i> <i>(Father's Day)</i>	9.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Sancho Family RIP
	11.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Parishioners
	5.00pm	Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm	Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Cleta Andradi RIP
	7.00 - 9.00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	

Money Matters

Collection Last Sunday	£1,345.66
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 700.00</u>
Total offertory	£2,045.66
Collection for World Communications Day	£ 450.69
Second collection for CaTEW	

Thank you for your generosity

Altar Servers

This week Team 2
Next week Team 3



Church Cleaners

This week Sancho's Dusters
Next week St Jude's Group

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Over the weekends of 8th/9th June and 15th/16th June some of the children of our parish will be making their First Holy Communion at the Saturday evening and Sunday morning masses. Therefore the front few benches on both sides of the centre aisle will be reserved for the children and their immediate families. The children will be going up to the Altar to receive first as it is their special day. There are to be no photographs or videos taken during the Mass. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection will be for the Catholic Trust for England and Wales (CaTEW). CaTEW (formerly the National Catholic Fund) supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops' Conference, its departments, agencies and offices. This collection helps supply the Bishops of England and Wales with the revenue necessary for the central administration of the Church in this country.

FAMILY HOLY HOUR

Members of the Legion of Mary would like to invite all parishioners and friends of St Andrew's to attend the Family Holy Hour on Monday 10th June from 7.00 to 8.00 pm during which time we will pray to Our Lord through the intercession of Mary as Mother of the Church. We hope you will attend even if only for 10 minutes.

YOUTH CHOIR

We are keen to welcome new members to the Youth Choir. The Choir leads Mass every fourth Sunday in each month. They practice most Sundays after the 9:30am Mass for half an hour. If you would like your child to join the Youth Choir please contact Maxine for further information on 07903401107.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

We are arranging a day Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St Augustine, Ramsgate on Saturday 6th July. St Augustine's has been restored by the diocese and Heritage Lottery funding and is now a thriving Pilgrimage centre. It is very near where St Augustine landed in 597 AD (having been sent by Pope Gregory the Great) to bring Christianity to England. It is also where the great Victorian architect, Augustus Pugin, lived, worked and built his personal church. More details can be found at <https://www.augustine-pugin.org.uk/> We will leave St Andrew's at 8.30am and return around 6.30pm. The cost is £18 for adults, £13 for children under 16 yrs, this includes entry into the Shrine, Mass, a tour, a talk and film about the shrine. There will also be some free time to explore Ramsgate. Please contact Lesley (07588 550058) or Stella (07983 775879) to book your place.

FREE TEA AND CAKES FOR YOU ALL!

The Children of the 26th Croydon Scout Group would love to treat you - our parish - to lots of homemade cakes and lots of tea and coffee to celebrate the group's 85th Birthday! Please come along and let the youngest members of our parish give something back to you! By attending this very special tea party you will be helping them earn their Community Impact Badge, Teamwork Badge and Chef's badge as well as having a wonderful time! There is absolutely **no** charge for this event but any donations you wish to give will go towards our five chosen charities! You will also have the chance to purchase a fantastic limited edition 26th Croydon Scout Group Tea Towel! Saturday 22nd June from 2 – 4.00pm in the hall. So we have idea of numbers please let us know if you are coming by emailing: scouts26croydon@hotmail.co.uk or contacting Sarah Gater on 07751 660 842. We so look forward to seeing lots of you there!

AFTERNOON TEA

Would you like to treat someone to Afternoon Tea? If so, as part of the 50 For 50 fundraising campaign, there will be Afternoon Tea here at St Andrew's on Saturday, 13th July from 2.00 – 5.00pm. The cost will be £6.50 per person and to book your place, tickets will be on sale after all Masses from first weekend in June. Please join us in drinking lots of tea (or coffee!), indulging on dainty sandwiches, lots of cream and cakes, and most importantly, being with friends and family, while at the same time raising funds needed for the Parish.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES REMINDER

We are now into the new tax year and some parishioners have still not collected their envelopes. Can you please contact the gift aid organiser, Albert Tang, urgently to collect your boxes. Once you have contacted Albert, he will arrange with you to leave your boxes in the repository (shop) for you to collect. Please call or text him on 07703 263631 or email him at albert.tang.uk@googlemail.com.

THE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The group warmly invites you to the Life in the Spirit Seminar which started on Sunday 28th April here at St Andrew's and will be held every Sunday until Sunday 23rd June. Please come along to next one on Sunday from 7.00 – 9.00pm. Please see the notice in the porch for more information or contact 07983 775879 or 07947 493683.

A DAY WITH JESUS

You are invited to the 'A Day with Jesus' Ministry being held here at St Andrew's Church on every fourth Saturday of every month starting on 22nd June from 12 – 4.00pm. Please check the notice board for the full programme details and contacts for further information.

JUSTICE & PEACE

Are you concerned about injustice in our world? Do you feel the need to take action and make your voice heard? If your answer is "YES" then please take a leaflet from the Justice & Peace notice board at the back of the church or go to www.justice-and-peace.org.uk

THE ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed each weekday after the 10.00am Mass (and Saturday 9.30am). After Mass and after a few minutes of silence the Rosary will be prayed and then, after a short pause, other devotional prayers will be prayed. All are welcome to join however long you can stay – there is no formal membership, just a desire to pray the Rosary.

PILGRIM STATUE VISITATION

On the 10th February 2017 members of the Legion of Mary began the pilgrim statue visitation to parishioners of St Andrew's Church and this continues even today. Requests made for statue visitations have been for many reasons including peace in the home and family, birthday celebrations, illness, etc. If you would like members of the Legion of Mary to visit your home with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima please contact Ginny via the parish office or for further details see the noticeboard in the Church porch.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The second collection will be for Day for 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.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check our porch area as there are a lot of items left. We will dispose of them soon if not collected.

ST JAMES THE GREAT SCHOOL SUMMER FETE

You are all invited to the school's summer fete on Sunday 30th June from 11am – 3pm. Adults £1, under 16 years – free, Windsor Road, CR7 8HJ.

LONDON SW CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP

London SW Catholic Social Group is a group for Catholic adults (18 and over) to meet for regular social and networking events in a friendly and relaxed setting with the aim of making new friends, enjoying new experiences or just to socialise. They host a monthly social at a pub or restaurant in South West London as well as other events either in SW or Central London. Contact: Facebook – 'London SW Catholic Social Group', email - londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com

Quote of the Week

"See how the solemnity of Passover has reached its conclusion without losing any of its splendour. The Paschal Mystery was the beginning of grace, and Pentecost the crown."

St. Augustine

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400 Club Organiser	Jonathan Prins	(email: club_400@hotmail.com)
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Parish Secretary	Danielle Lewin	020 8684 3013
Primary School	St. James the Great	020 8771 3424

