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Year of Jubilee 2025 • Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Gregorian Chant Workshop Day



10.45am – 6.15pm Saturday 1 November

This special day is organised by the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge in the Lower Hall. All are welcome; the repertoire is uniquely adapted to beginners and experienced singers.

We will rehearse and explore the ancient chants of the Church both historically and musically, considering aspects of modality and stylistic interpretation. The day will culminate in the celebration of First Vespers of All Saints in our church, sung by participants.

For further information and to book, please visit tinyurl.com/yyv4h7ht or contact Deacon Julian. Please bring a packed lunch.

Today's Mass

Each of today's Readings shows a dramatic transformation of those on the edge of or even outside the faith community – but now brought within the fold.

The **First Reading** (2 Kings 5:14–17) is the story of the Syrian leper, Naaman, who is healed by Elisha the prophet. After much hesitation, Naaman is converted to belief in God.

Psalm 97(98) has been chosen to follow the story of the conversion of Naaman, a non-Jew. God's salvation reaches to all the nations.

Second Reading (2 Timothy 2:8–13): Paul – formerly an opponent of Christianity – urges Timothy to remain faithful to his conversion to Christ, who is always faithful.

Gospel (Luke 17:11–19): Jesus heals the ten lepers, of whom only one – and he a Samaritan – returns to praise God and give thanks to Jesus. In today's Eucharist (which means 'thanksgiving'), we give praise and thanks to God, but do we, as individuals, always remember to thank God for all the graces and blessings we receive?

Canon David

Parish Pastoral Team

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| Parish Priest | Canon David Gibbons KCHS |
| Parish Clergy | Fr Edwin Raj |
| | Fr Peter Mudu Frank |
| | Deacon Julian Burling |
| Team Member | Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU |
| Faith Minister | Rob Hitchcock |

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Headteacher: Sarah Norville



POD RETURNS!

7.00pm – 8.00pm Tuesday 21 October: Pocket of Disciples (POD) is our parish post-Confirmation youth group of faith, fun, and fellowship. Open to Year 9 and above; for more details, please contact Rob at wimbledonpfm@rcaos.org.uk.



We are a Jubilee Church! Find out more about the Year of Jubilee 2025 for 'Pilgrims of Hope' at cbcew.org.uk/jubilee-2025.



School tours at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School and Nursery

There's no substitute for visiting our parish's primary school to appreciate what makes it special. The school offers bespoke, small group school tours with the Headteacher or another senior member of staff.

This Autumn Term, tours are still available at 9.30am on the following dates:

- Tuesday 4 November
- Thursday 20 November
- Wednesday 26 November
- Monday 1 December
- Tuesday 9 December
- Tuesday 16 December

For more information and to book, please visit tinyurl.com/shcpstours. If you cannot make any scheduled tour, please contact the school office on 020 8942 0215 or email school@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk to arrange a tour.

This Sunday

We welcome **Fr Andrew Coy** from the Apostolic Nunciature to celebrate our 8.00am Mass.

Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families

Prisoners' Sunday is a Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their families. When Jesus speaks of visiting Him in prison, He asks us to take the time to remember the prisoners and not reject them because of their actions. In each of our churches, there is someone with direct experience of the justice system. Today, we can especially welcome them, and reflect on how to put our faith into action. For more information, please visit tinyurl.com/5ava4j72.

Continental Breakfast after the 8.00am and 10.00am Masses

Join us in the Lower Hall for bacon, pastries, sausage rolls, teas, and coffees – all to accompany good chats with fellow parishioners! There is no charge, but donations are gratefully received.

Social Club after the 8.00pm Mass

All are welcome to join us in the Lounge for a drink and social gathering!

Diocesan notices

7.00pm – 8.45pm this Thursday Commission for Promoting Racial & Cultural Inclusion Webinar

Join the Archdiocese of Southwark's Commission for Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion for a timely, free webinar exploring how cultural and ethnic identities can be celebrated within our parishes. Expect reflections on the Archdiocese's ongoing story of inclusion, with real parish stories; a lively panel discussion with clergy and parish/chaplaincy representatives; and practical tools and next steps for our parish and your ministry. Register now at tinyurl.com/uxpaz3wv.

New recordings of St George's Cathedral Choirs

The St George's Cathedral Choirs have released new recordings of hymns to encourage worship through music. The hymns include Schubert's Ave Maria by Cathedral Lay Clerk Tamsin Raitt and Franck's Panis Angelicus by the Cathedral Choir, as well as hymns by children from the Southwark Singing Programme. Listen to the full collection at rcaos.org.uk/hymns2025.

This week

Canon David is away on holiday until next Thursday 23 October.

Thelma will be away from this Friday 17 October until next Wednesday 22 October. The Reception remains open as normal from 9.00am to 4.00pm, Monday to Friday.

8.00am Monday: DHM Convent Mass

All parishioners are welcome to the monthly Mass at the Daughters of the Heart of Mary Convent (41 Murray Road, SW19 4PD).

9.00am Thursday: Mass in the Hall of Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

All parishioners, parents, and family members are welcome to attend this Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School (Burlington Road, KT3 4ND).

11.00am – 1.00pm Saturday 18 October LHBMSM Half-Day Retreat

Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Ministry invites you to a half-day retreat in the Lounge immediately after the 10.00am Mass, including teas and coffees, the Holy Rosary, a talk, meditation, and healing prayers. For further information, please email lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com.

Holy Matrimony

The Wedding of Ayodeji Olonilma and Magdalen Christie is at 12 noon on Saturday 18 October.

Next Sunday: World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, a Day of Prayer for the Evangelization of the World. The Second Collection will be for Missio, the Church's official organ for the support of foreign missions. The money goes directly from this country to the bishops in the mission territories, local church helping local church.

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 can be found on the parish website at sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/safeguarding.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Victoria Wheatley (wimbledonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk)
Siobhán Heffron (wimbledonsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) • Maria Christopher (wimbledonsg5@safeguardrcaos.org.uk)

Forthcoming parish liturgies and events

7.00pm – 8.00pm Tuesday 21 October
The return of POD Youth Group!

Please see the front cover.

7.30pm – 8.30pm
Thursday 23 October
Signing of School Forms

To apply for your child to enter a Catholic secondary school next September, you require the Parish Priest's signature and parish stamp on the Certificate of Catholic Practice. Please obtain this Certificate from the school (one per school), complete your part of the form, and come to the Lower Hall at one of the above times for Canon David's countersignature. Please ensure you have completed your section of the form, and bring the child applicant and the form.

10.45am – 6.15pm
Saturday 1 November
Gregorian Chant Workshop Day

Please see the front cover.

2.30pm Friday 7 November
Screening of *High Noon* (1952)
at the Friendship Group

Once voted 'the greatest Western of all time', join us in the Lounge with ice creams, teas, and biscuits. All are welcome!

8.30pm Mondays 10 November
to 15 December inclusive
Katy's Songbirds Christmas
Celebration Concert Rehearsals

Calling all singers! Katy's Songbirds invite you to lend us your voice for our Christmas Celebration Concert, hosted in our church at 7.45pm on Thursday 18 December. Rehearsals will be held on the above Mondays at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School (Burlington Road, KT3 4ND) – come to as many as you like! To register, please email katylees3009@gmail.com.

11.00am – 3.00pm
Saturday 22 November
Deanery Day of Recollection

All Ministers of Holy Communion and Mass Readers – and everyone else who would like to attend – are invited to this Deanery Day of Recollection at St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Morden (Bishopsford Road, SM4 6BZ). Starting with Mass of the Day, the day includes two talks by Canon David on 'The Mass'. Car parking is available; car sharing would be good.

New to the parish?

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to a member of the parish team after Mass and register online at sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk or by filling out a registration form from the back of the church.

Parish notices

Christmas Lunch

We regret that no volunteer has come forward to lead this year's organisation of the parish Christmas Lunch, which is therefore cancelled.

Mary Black RIP

There will be a memorial service for Mary Black at St Laurence's Church, Cambridge (91 Milton Road, CB4 1XB), at 12.30pm on Thursday 16 October. The service will be livestreamed to saintlaurence.org.uk/live.

Mary was a longstanding parishioner who did much for our community; she is known and will be missed by many of us.

Other notices

7.00pm this Wednesday
Women in the Criminal Justice
System: Keeping Women
out of Prison Webinar

The Social Responsibility Committee of the National Board of Catholic Women invites you to this webinar with Emily Evison of the Prison Reform Trust (and Julia Corcoran of the Prison Advice and Care Trust (PACT), chaired by Bishop Richard Moth, Liaison Bishop for Prisons.

We will explore the challenges faced by women in the justice system and discuss constructive alternatives as we learn about the issues, hear from experts, and reflect on how we, as people of faith, can support women in finding hope and dignity outside of prison. For more details and to register, please visit nbcw.co.uk/event/keeping-women-out-of-prison.

This Wednesday to Friday
Radio Maria Mariathon

Radio Maria England's annual Mariathon runs from this Wednesday to Friday, with special programming focussed on 'Turning Up the Volume' on the quiet revival in this country. Inspiring guest speakers will share how they have witnessed the growth of faith, church attendance, and ministries recently. Tune in via DAB+, the Radio Maria app, radiomariaengland.uk, or smart speaker.

Vacancy: Advocacy & Campaigns Officer at Jesuit Missions

Are you passionate about social justice and tackling the root cause of global poverty? Can you engage and motivate others to act on campaigns? If so, and you have a flair for campaigning, we'd love to hear from you. Headquartered on Edge Hill, Jesuit Missions is the international mission and development organisation of the Jesuits in Britain. The role is paid at circa £35,000 per annum. For further information and to apply before Sunday 2 November, please visit jesuitmissions.org.uk/vacancies.

12.30pm for 1.00pm
Friday 24 October
St John's Lunchtime Concert

Simon Neill and Robert Mingay-Smith (piano duet) perform Schubert, Mozart, and Saint-Saëns for four-hands at St John the Baptist (Spencer Hill, SW19 4NZ). Entry is free, with refreshments from 12.30pm and a retiring collection to support St John's Music Fund.

Celebrants this Sunday

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| 6.30pm (Sat) | Fr Peter Mudu Frank |
| 8.00am | Fr Andrew Coy |
| 10.00am | Fr Edwin Raj |
| 12 noon | Fr Peter Mudu Frank |
| 5.00pm | Fr Edwin Raj |
| 8.00pm | Fr Peter Mudu Frank |

We remember in our prayers

Those who have died recently

Jean Murphy • Mary Black • Rosalie Elwes

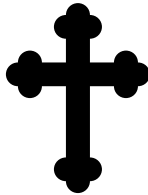
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Betty Radevsky • Stephen Eaton • Margaret McNerney
Sister Dorothy Wilcock • Thomas Pilkington
Elizabeth Duffy • Leonard Laundry
Arul Peters • Peter Ambo

Those who are sick

Corné Rossouw • Finley Kennedy • Samar Staussi
Maria Tinker • Emily Grey • Eileen Norris • Electa Almeida
Karolina Masica • Mark Capra • Teresa Escalona
Simon Potter • Angela White • Peter Gent
Margaret Brauer • Karoline Wilhelm-Brown
Valeria Kucharsky • Debbie Gargan • Patricia Codd
Hilary Brazier • Ethan Costa Peruzzo • Thelma Lobo

Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either your name or the names of your relatives and friends should appear in our sick list. For data protection reasons, individuals must explicitly agree for their names to be mentioned in our newsletter.



Exposition

Wednesdays and Fridays
10.30am – 12 noon and
5.25pm – 6.25pm

First Mondays and Fridays
of the month
7.00pm – 8.00pm

Reconciliation

Mondays to Saturdays
6.00pm – 6.20pm

Saturdays
10.30am – 11.30am

Hospital contacts

If you or a member of your family are admitted to a local hospital, please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.

St George's: Fr Peter Littleton (020 8725 3069
or 020 8672 1255)

Epsom and St Helier: Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000)

Kingston: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

Your generosity helps to fund our parish's wide range of liturgical, spiritual, and cultural activities.

To donate, scan the QR code or visit
sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/donate.
Thank you.



Weekday Mass Intentions

Saturday 11 October • of Our Lady

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| 10.00am | Mary Anne Gannon (RIP) |
| 1.00pm | Wedding of Mark Skelin and Victoria Mance |
| 6.30pm | Kevin O'Brien (RIP) |

Monday 13 October • S Edward the Confessor, King

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| 8.00am | Sisters [41 Murray Road, SW19 4PD] |
| 10.00am | Joanne & Mario De Sa |
| 6.30pm | Maria Tran & Toussaint D'Orsanne (RIP) |

Tuesday 14 October • Our Lady of the Rosary

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| 10.00am | Margaret McKerney (RIP) |
| 6.30pm | Mary Hoey (RIP) |

Wednesday 15 October • S Teresa of Jesus, V D

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| 10.00am | Pam Smith (RIP) |
| 6.30pm | Kevin Ledger (RIP) |

Thursday 16 October • S Margaret Mary Alacoque, V

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| 10.00am | Fr Michael O'Halloran (RIP) |
| 6.30pm | John Joyce (RIP) |

Friday 17 October • S Ignatius of Antioch, B M

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| 10.00am | Mary Anne Gannon (RIP) |
| 6.30pm | Cat & Ger (Recently Married) |

Saturday 18 October • S Luke, Ev

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| 10.00am | Tom Phillips (Birthday) |
| 12 noon | Wedding of Ayodeji Olonilma and Magdalen Christie |
| 6.30pm | Mary Vaughan-Neil (RIP) |

Music at the 12 noon Mass

Introit: *Si iniquitates observaveris* (S. Wesley)

Kyrie/Gloria: (459)/(460) • **Sanctus:** (433)

Offertory motet: Sing unto the Lord (C. Tye)

Communion motet: Deliver us, O Lord our God (A. Batten)

Communion hymn: (81) Bless the Lord, my soul

Organ: Sonata in G (First Movement) (E. Elgar)

Music at the 5.00pm Mass

Scan the QR code or visit
sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/5pm



Parish services and contacts

Parish Office

020 8946 0305

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9.00am – 4.00pm

Monday – Friday

Executive Assistant

Thelma D'Costa

Caretaker

George McLennan

Please contact the Parish Office for all enquiries, hall bookings, baptisms, first Sacraments, marriages, and funerals. Please email any notices for the weekly newsletter to wimbledonnewsletter@rcaos.org.uk by Tuesday evening.

Please remember always to register your car when using the church car park (except Sundays). Registration tablets are available at the church entrance, the presbytery reception, and the hall entrances.