

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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PLEASE ASK YOUR MP TO VOTE AGAINST THE ABORTION BILL

On Tuesday 23 October 2018 Diana Johnson MP is bringing forward a Ten Minute Rule Bill to the House of Commons. She is seeking to introduce one of the most extreme abortion regimes in the world right across England, Wales and Northern Ireland. While Ten Minute Rule Bills rarely become law and the vote will not be binding on the Government, it is vital that as many MPs as possible vote against this radical proposal to stop it gaining momentum in Parliament. You can help by urgently writing to your MP asking them to attend the debate on Tuesday and encouraging them to vote against this radical bill. This only takes two minutes on the Right to Life website: <https://righttolife.org.uk/take-action/>

BINGO NIGHT

The Parish Social Committee would like to thank Talma and David Noulton for organising an entertaining and enjoyable evening of Bingo last week. Many thanks also to those who came and supported this event and raised £71.00 for Jane and Chris Devereux's charity, The Nomntu Project.

EPSOM & DISTRICT IRISH ASSOCIATION are holding their next dance at the Rhodrons Club, Rhodrons Avenue, Chessington KT9 1BA (tel 020 8397 2683) on **Friday 26 October**. Dancing from 8.30—11.30pm, featuring Eugene Doonan, with local parking, a raffle and licensed bar. Tickets £5 on the door.

MOTHERS PRAYERS

You are warmly invited to a Mothers Prayers Talk 'There is Hope for Your Children' on **Saturday 3 November** at St John the Baptist Church Hall, Dale Road, Purley CR8 2EF, starting with Mass at 10.00am. Further details can be found on the notice board in the front porch of the church.

HEAD TEACHER VACANCY—COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL, Upper Shirley Road, Croydon CR9 5AS. To apply please visit website: www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk

DEPUTY HEAD TEACHER VACANCY—LALEHAM LEA SCHOOL, 29 Peaks Hill, Purley CR8 3JJ. Contact Mr Loveland for an application pack and further details—sbm@lalehamlea.co.uk or 020 8660 3351.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

Details of guided walks in London in October and November, which may be of interest to parishioners, can be found in the front porch of the church or at www.catholichistorywalks.com or contact chwalkslondon@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER

21 October 2018

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Parish Diary:

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| Fri 26 Oct | St Christopher's Craft Circle 10.30am—12.30pm |
| Wed 31 Oct | St Christopher's Craft Circle 7.00—9.00pm |
| Fri 2 Nov | EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT for one hour after 9.00am Mass |
| Sun 4 Nov | 10.00am Mass with Children's and Young People's Participation |
| Weekly Wed | Toddler Group 9.45—11.15am (term time) |
| Fri | Coffee in the hall after 9.00am Mass |
| Sun 10.00am Mass: | Children's Liturgy Refreshments in the hall after Mass |

21 October 2018 TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

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| Sat | 20 | 1800 | James Hawker RIP Anniversary (Hawker Family) |
| Sun | 21 | 0830 | Philip Dyson RIP Anniversary (Jim & Kitty Dyson) |
| | | 1000 | People of the Parish |
| | | 1200 | Deceased & Living Members of St Christopher’s Catholic Cycling Club—Old Members Association |
| Mon | 22 | 1000 | Stephen Slattery RIP (Mary Kirwan & Family) |
| Tue | 23 | 0900 | Wellbeing of Elizabeth Stokes |
| Wed | 24 | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Thu | 25 | 1230 | FUNERAL MASS: Pasquale Divito RIP |
| Fri | 26 | 0900 | James & Kathleen Byrne RIP Anniversary (Philomena Culbert & Family) |
| Sat | 27 | 1030-1100) 1700-1730) | Sacrament of Reconciliation |

28 October 2018 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

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| Sat | 27 | 1800 | Anthony Kelly RIP Anniversary |
| Sun | 28 | 0830 | People of the Parish |
| | | 1000 | John Patrick Carey RIP Anniversary (Evelyn Carey) |
| | | 1200 | Jane Macfarlane RIP |
| | | 1400 | BAPTISMS: Tony Alexander Brown Ella Eileen Mulcaire-Willingham |

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| LAST SUNDAY | Attendance | 547 | Annual Mission Appeal |
| | Plate | £ 507.03 | Plate |
| | Gift Aid | £ 605.96 | Gift Aid |
| | | £ 1,112.99 | £ 674.46 |

Thank you for your offerings.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Pasquale Divito, whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Thursday 25 October at 12.30pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Jill Atkin, Peter Barry, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Pat Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Patrick Gill, Sean Healy, Umberto Inostroza, Margaret Jones, Patrick Kennedy, Indira Louis, Michael McKenna, Pearl McLeod, Michael Moores, Ivan Pedropillai, Leslie Pinto, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Nan Waldron, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter, Nickii Wright and one other parishioner.

Ivan Pedropillai would like to thank all those who have prayed for his recovery.

THIS SUNDAY IS WORLD MISSION DAY when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his official charity for overseas mission. This collection goes in its entirety to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Parish Gift Aid donors may wish to use one of their spare envelopes, writing 'Missio' clearly on the front.

WELCOME to members of the St Christopher’s Catholic Cycling Club Old Members Association, who are joining us at the 12.00 Mass this Sunday.

A THANK YOU

During the last 22 years, Tony Keating has been Parish Treasurer and has supervised the upkeep and improvement of our buildings—both internally and externally.

He will continue to be Parish Treasurer but he has decided to relinquish his other role.

I wish to express our gratitude to him for the superb way he has managed the upkeep and improvement of our buildings during the last 22 years.

The following are the projects and improvements he has supervised:-

A new roof and lightning conductors.

The replacement, with replicas, of stained glass windows that were lost during the extension of the church.

The installation of stained glass windows in the church extension.

The redecoration of the church interior.

The remodelling of the toilet area.

Drainage and surfacing works in the car park.

Damp proofing and treatment in the church.

The refurbishment of the kitchen.

The refurbishment of the storeroom.

The installation of a loft ladder.

A new garage, redecoration and general maintenance of the Presbytery.

He has also instigated and supervised many smaller items of maintenance and repair.

Because of the time and care which Tony has devoted to the task, the facilities, fabric and appearance of our buildings are much improved and in good order.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.