

MISSIO RED BOXES

Your donations through the Red Box make a huge difference to the lives of hundreds of thousands of people around the world.

Missio's APF and the Mill Hill Missionaries divide all of the money collected through the Red Boxes. The APF share is distributed to build churches, train Church leaders and support communities of faith, as part of its mandate to promote the worldwide mission of the Church. The Mill Hill share supports the Mill Hill Society, enabling it to train and maintain abroad its priests, brothers and lay associates and to support their overseas work.

We are very grateful to Joyce Brown and Margaret McGrath who have administered the red boxes at St Christopher's for many years. They are now stepping down and if we are to continue supporting Missio through the red boxes, we will need volunteers to come forward to collect in the boxes, empty them, and count and bank the money. If you would be willing to help, or would like to know more about what is involved, please speak to Vivienne in the parish office.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGES?

Catholic Marriage Care's centre for Croydon and the surrounding area is looking for enthusiastic volunteer **Presenter/Facilitators** to run marriage preparation courses (training is provided), **Qualified Relationship Counsellors** (who hold a recognised couples counselling qualification) and **Chaperone/Receptionists** to meet and greet clients who come for counselling. For more information or to apply, please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

CLERK TO THE GOVERNING BODY

The Governors of St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls, Pound Street, Carshalton are seeking to appoint a Clerk to the Governing Body for August 2017. Further details and an application form are available by emailing recruitment@stphils.org.uk or contacting or via the school website: www.stphils.org.uk or contacting Marsha Adams on 020 8642 2025 ext 202.

SUMMER ACCOMMODATION IN LONDON - ALLEN HALL

Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (inc breakfast). Website: www.allenhall.org.uk Email: allenhall@rcdow.org.uk Telephone: 020 7349 5600 (option 0)

NEWCOMERS TO THE PARISH are always very welcome and are invited to take an 'Are you new to our parish?' leaflet from the front porch of the church and complete and return the enclosed form.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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Diocesan Website: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk*

NEWSLETTER

23 July 2017

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

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| July/August | Installation of the new hall kitchen
The kitchen will be out of use for the next few weeks |
| Mon 31 Jul—
Tue 15 Aug inc | Parish Office Closed |
| Fri 4 Aug | Please note: There will be <u>no</u> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass today |
| Mon 7 Aug—
Fri 11 Aug inc | No Weekday Mass
(Fr Bernard is taking a short break) |

23 July 2017		SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
Sat	22 1800	Nora McDonagh RIP (Sarah Ball)
Sun	23 0830	Teresa & Michael Lyons RIP Anniversary (Lyons Family)
		1000 People of the Parish
		1200 Joseph & Kathleen Clare RIP Anniversary (Mike Clare)
Mon	24 1000	Kathleen Bennett RIP (Mary Kennedy)
Tue	25 0900	Saint James, Apostle, Feast SCNCF
Wed	26	<i>No Mass</i>
Thu	27 0900	Private Intention
Fri	28 0900	Margaret & Desmond Whitty—Wedding Anniversary (Breda Ford)
Sat	29 1030-1100) 1700-1730)	Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 July 2017		SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
Sat	29 1800	Molly Holley RIP Anniversary (Holley Family)
Sun	30 0830	People of the Parish
		1000 Mary Quigley RIP (Gielty Family)
		1200 Margaret Quinlevin RIP (Veronica & Gerald Barry)
		1400 BAPTISMS: Euan Arthur Rumney Ava-Grace Deborah Smyth
		1500 Delilah Alexandra Tomlin
		1800 CHALDEAN CATHOLIC RITE MASS (Iraqi Community)

LAST SUNDAY	Attendance	524
	Plate	£ 476.59
	Gift Aid	£ 621.25
		£ 1,097.84

Thank you for your offerings.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Mary Stone, who resided at Broadlands Nursing Home, and remember in your prayers her family, especially her son Brian, at this time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Patrick Allen, Michael Burke, Daisy Bushnell, Pat Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Francis Ellis, Bob Green, Pat Hanoman, Sean Healy, Anne Kellett, Patrick Kennedy, Pauli Koskimies, Peter Mann, Michael McKenna, Pearl McLeod, Michael Moores, Stella Paxton, Leslie Pinto, Betty Steward, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Nan Waldron, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter and Nickii Wright.

CONFIRMATION—9 NOVEMBER 2017

An invitation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is extended to adults and young people of the parish who will be in Year 8, or above, in September. Young people should consider carefully the advice offered by their parents; however, the decision to be Confirmed must be made by the person concerned. If you wish to be Confirmed, please take one of the Confirmation leaflets from the back of the church and complete and return the application form to the parish office by **Sunday 30 July 2017**.

ALTAR SERVERS

The altar serving rota has finished but altar servers are welcome to serve at any Mass during the summer holidays.

If you do not wish to be on the new rota or would like to serve at a different Mass in September, please inform Vivienne in the parish office.

If you would like to be an altar server and have received your First Communion, please ask Fr Bernard for an application form.

LONDON TO PARIS CYCLE RIDE IN AID OF ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE

St Raphael's costs £5m pa to run, or £13.7k per day, of which only 20% (£1m) is government funded. Peter Mann was one of a team of 10 who tackled the circa 307 miles from London to Parish last week in aid of St Raphael's. Peter cycled in memory of his late sister in law, Mae Rogan, who was cared for and died in the Hospice. Peter met the cost of the trip himself so every pound raised benefits the hospice. If you would like to, you can still sponsor him at: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/petermann4>

EPSOM & DISTRICT IRISH ASSOCIATION are holding their next dance at the Rhodrons Club, Rhodrons Avenue, Chessington KT9 1BA (phone 0208 397 2683) on **Friday 28 July**. Dancing from 8.30pm—11.30pm featuring Mary & New Counties with local parking, a raffle and licensed bar. Tickets £5.00 on the door. All profits go to charity.

CHURCH CLEANING

Once again we are short of helpers to clean the church. If you would be willing to join a small team for an hour or so after the 9.00am Mass on a Thursday or Friday morning once every six weeks, please speak to Vivienne in the parish office, who can tell you more about what is involved.

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.