



Sunday 25th January 2026

NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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As we walk through the darker days of winter, the Word of God reminds us that “the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light” (Isaiah 9:2). This light is not merely brightness around us, **but Christ dwelling within us guiding, strengthening, and renewing us.** When we gather as a community for prayer, celebration, and shared fellowship, that light becomes visible. Faith is not lived in isolation; it is nourished when we come together, walk together, and support one another as one parish family.

On **Saturday, 31st January, at 10:00 a.m.**, St Ann's Catholic Church, Kingston Hill will be hosting a **Deanery-level Retreat for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.** This will be a valuable time of prayer, reflection, and renewal for those entrusted with these sacred ministries.

On 1st Feb. Sunday, we will celebrate our Winter Celebration at Holy Cross Preparatory School. **Please note that there will be no 10:30 a.m. Mass at St Ann's on that day.** Instead, everyone is invited to gather at 10:30 a.m.

It will be a joyful day of prayer, community, and togetherness. If you would like to support us in any way through practical help, organisation, or hospitality please do make yourself known through the sign up sheets.

Let us continue to walk together in the light of Christ.

With prayers and blessings, **Fr James Raj (jamesraj@rcaos.org.uk)**

HYMNS FOR THE MASS

Entrance	80 – Bind us together	Mem. Acclamation	440c - Save us Saviour
Gloria	1011 - Glory Glory	Agnus Dei	466 - Lamb of God
Offertory	23 – All that I am	Communion	478 – Make me a channel 663 – Soul of my Saviour
Santus	439 - Holy Holy Holy	Recessional	300 – Immaculate Mary

Tea and Coffee after Sunday Mass

Everyone is invited to join us for tea and coffee in the church hall near the car park after Sunday Mass. This is a wonderful chance to connect, share, and get to know one another better. Kids can enjoy the Kids' Corner, a fun space to make new friends.

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 95: 1, 6: O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading

Isaiah 9:1b-4

In the former time the Lord brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 27(26):1. 4. 13-14. R/a

Response: The LORD is my light and my salvation.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? **R.**

There is one thing I ask of the LORD, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD, to enquire at his temple.' **R.**

I believe I shall see the LORD's goodness in the land of the living. Wait for the LORD; be strong; be stout-hearted, and wait for the LORD! **R.**

Second reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgement. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarrelling among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each one of you says, 'I follow Paul', or 'I follow Apollos', or 'I follow Cephas', or 'I follow Christ.' Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptised in the name of Paul? For Christ did not send me to baptise but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. **The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.**

"We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom
and healed every affliction among the people. Alleluia..

Gospel**Matthew 4:12-17**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles — the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

The Gospel of the Lord. All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.



"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony." Colossians 3:14



Winter Celebration at Holy Cross Prep School Campus

📍 **Address: Holy Cross Preparatory School, George Rd, Kingston upon Thames KT2 7NU**

As mentioned in our Annual Planner, we are excited to host a Winter Celebration and Mass at Holy Cross Preparatory School on Sunday, **1st February 2026**.

⌚ **10:30 AM** – Fun games for kids, couples, seniors, **followed by Holy Mass**.

🍽️ **Shared Meal** – Bring a dish to share and enjoy fellowship.

📌 **Please note:** There will be no Sunday Mass at St. Ann's Church on Feb 1st

We encourage all to join us at Holy Cross Prep School campus for this joyful celebration. This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect as a community before the start of the Lenten season, similar to our summer outdoor days.

- ◆ Sign-up forms are available at the back of the church and in the hall.
- ◆ **If you would like to bring a dish, contribute food items, or volunteer, please provide your details on the sign-up sheet available at the back of the church or in the tea area at the hall.**

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION – RETREAT AT ST ANN'S

We will be hosting a Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Retreat on Friday, 31st January, from 10:00 am, followed by Holy Mass at 12:00 noon.

Programme for the Day

10:00 – 10:40 a.m. | First Session

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Church
Readers – Hall

10:40 – 11:00 a.m. | Tea Break

11:00 – 11:40 a.m. | Second Session
Readers – Church

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Hall

11:45 a.m. | Adoration (Church)

12:00 noon | Holy Mass (together)

12:30 p.m. | Light Refreshments

Resource Persons

Readers: Rev Sr Margaret (Holy Cross Congregation, New Malden)

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Rev Fr Bonaventure

Rev Fr Geoffrey



Journeying in Faith Through Scripture, Tradition, and Story



This year, our parish formation team invites us into a deeper journey of faith - not only **learning about the Church, but listening, reflecting, and growing together**. **Inspired by Mary who sat at the feet of Jesus and listened (Luke 10:39)**, we will explore our faith through Sacred Scripture, the living Tradition of the Church, films, shared dialogue, and prayerful conversation.

Through **Bible study, movie evenings, faith conversations, and reflections on Church traditions**, we hope to move from information to formation - **from knowing about God to encountering Him more deeply in daily life**. All are warmly welcome to take part in this journey throughout the year. Tea, coffee, and light refreshments will be available.

SECOND TUESDAYS' SPIRITUAL EVENING

As part of our Journeying in Faith – **through Scripture, Tradition, and Story**, we will hold Spiritual Evenings **on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30 p.m., except April and August**. These evenings are open to everyone and offer **a gentle space for Scripture, Church teaching, reflection, dialogue, and occasionally film**. The evenings will be led by **Celia, Fr James, and Sr Ursula**.

Confirmed Dates

- **Tuesday, 10th February – Biblical Women: Their lives and lessons**
- Tuesday, 10th March – Spiritual Evening
- Tuesday, 12th May – Movie Evening Film



Across the year, **three films** are included as part of the reflection.

Some examples of films that may be used include:

- Jesus of Nazareth – reflecting on the words and silence of Jesus
- The Mission – mercy, conversion, and discipleship
- Of Gods and Men – vocation, courage, and faithful witness



Details of themes and films will be shared closer to each date.



THIRD FRIDAYS' BIBLE STUDY

Following many requests and deep reflections, we will begin a Bible Study Session held on the **3rd Fridays of each month, from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. led by Fr James**. All are most welcome to join as we grow together in Scripture and faith.

The first Bible Study will take place on 23rd January 2026 at 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm.

Well-being

ST ANN'S CAMPUS

A SPACE FOR HARMONY OF
BODY, MIND, AND SPIRIT



St Ann's Campus Well-being: A space for harmony of body, mind, and spirit

OUR HOLISTIC APPROACH



60+ Club

A place of support, fun, joy, and companionship.

Wednesdays
10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Parish Hall



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Meditation, Breath & Yoga Exercise

Christian meditation, breath work for focus and renewal, & guided movements to support mobility and well-being.

Wednesdays 6 pm - 7 pm



YOUTH MEETING

14TH JANUARY AT 10.30 AM

The next Youth Group meeting will take place on Saturday, 14th February 2026 at 4.30 pm. The meeting will be held in the priest's house meeting room and will be headed by Celia. This is a valuable opportunity, and all young people are warmly encouraged to attend, as it will support their personal and spiritual development.

FAMILY MASS

22ND FEBRAURY AT 10.30 AM

We will have our Family Mass on Sunday, 22nd February at 10.30 am. All altar servers are requested to come to the sacristy 15 minutes earlier. Let us come together in prayer and thanksgiving as one parish family.

“Where charity and love are, God is there.” Ubi Caritas (cf. 1 John 4:16)

ST ANN'S ACTIVITIES JAN & FEB 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT
26/01/2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion season
31/01/2026	10 am to 12.30 pm	Deanery Level Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Retreat at St Ann's
01/02/2026	10.30 am Sun	WINTER CELEBRATION AND MASS AT HOLY CROSS PREP SCHOOL CAMPUS
09/02/2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion - Reconciliation
10/02/2026	7.30 pm Tue	Spiritual Evening: Biblical Women
13/02/2026	5.30 PM Fri	RCIA session
14/02/2026	4.30 pm	Youth Group Meeting
15/02/2026	10.30 am	SUNDAY MASS - RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE COMMITMENT
18/02/2026	10.00 am 7.00 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS
20/02/2026	7.00 PM Fri	Way of the Cross after Mass
20/02/2026	5.30 pm	Bible Study
22/02/2026	10.30 am Sun	Family Mass (Altar Serving)
23/02/2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion season
27/02/2026	5.30 PM Fri	RCIA session - Saints
<i>Wednesdays</i>	<i>10.45 am/6 pm</i>	<i>60+ Club / Yoga & Meditation</i>
<i>Second Tuesday</i>	<i>7.30 pm</i>	<i>Spiritual Evening</i>
<i>Second Saturday</i>	<i>4.30 pm</i>	<i>Youth Group Meeting (11-14 yrs)</i>
<i>Third Fridays</i>	<i>7.30 pm</i>	<i>Bible Study</i>
<i>Fourth Sunday</i>	<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Family Mass (No Catechism)</i>

"Love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12

ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS

Role	25th January	1st February	8th February
1st Reading	Alin	Shamintha Jayatilaka	Ana V Gonzalez
Psalm	Yasmin D'Souza	Duncan Katungu	Gisela B Lewis
2nd Reading	Augustin Shaju	Lithin Zacharias	Benita Rajmohan
Bidding Prayer	Martin Gilhooky	Christo	Christiane Beim

ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention	Celebration
Sunday 25/01	10.30 am	Rita and Angela W/B	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday 26/01	10 am	Maire and Paul Dodds W/B	St Timothy & Titus
Tuesday 27/01	7.00 pm	Victor Ramanan Int.	Ordinary Time
Wednesday 28/01	10 am	Beatrice Isichei RIP	St Thomas Aquinas
Thursday 29/01		No Mass	
Friday 30/01	7.00 pm	Intention Available	Ordinary Time
Saturday 31/01	12 Noon	Kingston Deanery	Pilgrims Mass
	6 pm	Phil King RIP	Vigil Mass
Sunday 01/02	10.30 am	Jose Diaz B/D	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Donate - St Ann's

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FOR ST ANN'S CHURCH OFFERING

Account Name: RCAS Kingston Hill

Account Number: 79124429

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Thank you for being part of our St. Ann's family.

Let's pray for one another and for the growth of our parish family.