



Sunday 1st March 2026

# NEWSLETTER

2nd Sunday of Lent

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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus,

As we continue our Lenten journey, the readings of these weeks remind us that faith is always a movement - a journey of trust. Like Abraham, we are called to step forward even when we do not see the full picture. Like the disciples on the mountain, we are strengthened by moments of grace so that we may walk faithfully through ordinary life. Lent invites us not to stand still, but to grow - to move closer to Christ with renewed commitment and deeper prayer.

Last week, our RCIA candidates attended **the Rite of Election at the Cathedral**. It was a truly inspiring and uplifting moment. From our own parish, 11 members are preparing to become Catholic. This is a great blessing for us. The Church is growing, our diocese is growing, and our parish is alive with faith. Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to all who attended and supported them in this journey.

The Way of the Cross continues every Friday during Lent after 7.00 pm mass - you are most welcome to join. Please follow the parish calendar for the full timetable of dates and activities during lent and also make use of the Lenten and way of the cross booklets at the back of the Church.

We are also in the process of updating our Readers' rota for the coming year. If you would like to be a reader at Mass, or if you know someone who would be suitable and willing, please let Sr Ursula know. The new list will run for one year, and your participation would be greatly appreciated. May this Lent continue to be a time of grace, renewal, and steady growth in faith for each of us.

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

HYMNS FOR THE MASS			
<b>Entrance</b>	<b>285 – Here I am, Lord</b>	<b>Mem. Acclamation</b>	<b>440c - Save us Saviour</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>799 – Whatsoever you do</b>	<b>Communion</b>	<b>40 – Amazing grace 478 – Make me a channel</b>
<b>Santus</b>	<b>439 - Holy Holy Holy</b>	<b>Recessional</b>	<b>859 – As I kneel before you</b>

*“Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.” Luke 4:1-2*

## 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 26: 8-9: Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face.  
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.**

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First reading

**Genesis 12:1-4a**

In those days: The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

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

#### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 33(32):4-5. 18-19. 20, 22. R5b**

**Response: May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.**

The word of the LORD is upright, and all his works to be trusted. The LORD loves justice and right, and his merciful love fills the earth.. **R.**

Yes, the LORD's eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their soul from death, to keep them alive in famine.' **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the LORD. He is our help and our shield. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD. **R.**

#### Second reading

**2 Timothy 1:8b-10**

Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

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#### Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father.

From a bright cloud, the Father's voice was heard:

'This is my beloved Son, listen to him'.

Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father.

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:13

**Gospel****Matthew 17:1-9**

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.' When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, 'Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.'

**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.



**Way of the Cross at St Ann's**



**Every Friday Mass will be followed by the Way of the Cross.** We invite you to join as a family, **especially young families**, to bring children and help them grow in the Lenten journey. You can collect the lenten booklet as well the way of the cross booklet for your personal use. Let us walk together in this Lenten season with prayer, sacrifice, and service!

For parish updates, access to recent homilies, details about upcoming events, hall hire, and various parish activities, please visit our parish website: [www.stannskingstonhill.org.uk](http://www.stannskingstonhill.org.uk) You can also scan the QR code displayed at the back of the church or in this newsletter to go directly to the site.



*"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart." Romans 10:8*

## KEY DATES FOR LENT, HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER 2026

### LENT 2026

- **Stations of the Cross** – Every Friday at 7:20 PM (after 7:00 PM Mass)

### HOLY WEEK 2026

- **MOVIE EVENING - 10TH MARCH AT 7.30 PM: PASSION OF THE CHRIST**
- **Palm Sunday** – 29th March (10:30 AM Procession & Mass)
- **Lenten Reconciliation Service** – 31<sup>st</sup> March at 6.00 pm
- **Maundy Thursday** – 2nd April (7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of the Feet)
- **Good Friday- 3rd April**
  - **2:15 PM** – Outdoor Way of the Cross
  - **3:00 PM** – Solemn Passion Liturgy
- **Holy Saturday** – Morning Prayer at 10 am



### EASTER 2026

- **Easter Vigil** – 4th April (8:00 PM followed by refreshments)
- **Easter Sunday** – 5th April (10:30 AM Mass followed by refreshments)



Rite of Election at Cathedral



# Well-being

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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



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**Wednesdays**  
**10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**  
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guided movements to support  
mobility and well-being.

**Wednesdays 6 pm - 7 pm**



### YOUTH MEETING

**14TH MARCH AT 4.30 PM**

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.

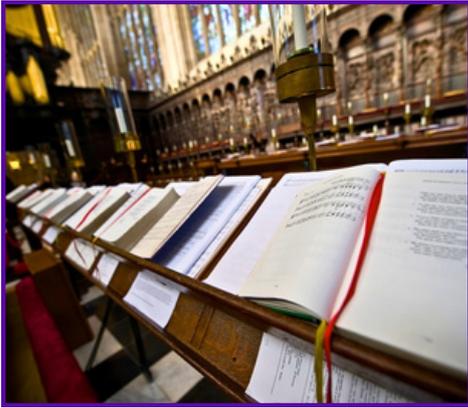
### FAMILY MASS

**22ND MARCH 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.

*"One does not live on bread alone." Luke 4:4*

# ST ANN'S CHURCH NEWS AND UPDATES



## Join Our Choir!

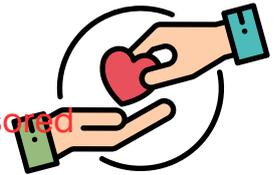
We are growing as a Parish Faith Family, and we need **more choir members to enrich our liturgy**. If you have a passion for singing, we warmly invite you to join the choir and contribute to the beauty of our celebrations. A heartfelt thank you to all current choir members for your dedication and service.

## Lenten and Easter Sponsorship Opportunities

During Lent and Easter, several essential items are purchased for the church. If you would like to sponsor any of these items, please scan the QR code provided to make a contribution.



- **Easter Candle – £85 - sponsored**
- **Altar Candles (24) – £93 x2 sponsored**
- Palms for Palm Sunday – £100
- Bread & Wine for Mass (3 months) – £100
- Washing of the Feet (12 Members' Gifts) – £120



**Your generosity is deeply appreciated!**

## MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION – MARCH 15

On Sunday, March 15, we celebrate Mother's Day at Sunday Mass. We invite all mothers and grandmothers to attend and receive a special token of appreciation from the church. Let us come together to thank God for the gift of motherhood!



## STANDING ORDER AND GIFT AID FORM

Lent is a sacred time of reflection, generosity, and renewed commitment. As part of our Lenten journey, we invite parishioners to consider supporting the life and mission of the parish through **regular giving by Standing Order and, where eligible, Gift Aid**. Standing Orders provide the parish with **a stable and reliable income**, allowing us to plan responsibly, maintain our buildings, support pastoral activities, and continue serving both our parish family and the wider community throughout the year.

The forms are available at the back of the church. Please make use of it.

## ST ANN'S ACTIVITIES FEB & APR 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT
06/03/2026	7.00 PM Fri	Way of the Cross after Mass
06/03/2026	5.30 PM Fri	Hall Core Committee Meeting
09/03/2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion season
10/03/2026	7.30 PM Tue	Movie Evening: Passion of Christ
13/03/2026	7.00 PM Fri	Way of the Cross after Mass
14/03/2026	4.30 PM Sat	Young People Meeting
15/03/2026	10.30 AM Sun	Mothers Day Mass
17/03/2026	7.00 PM Tue	St Patrick's Day Mass
20/03/2026	7.00 PM Fri	Way of the Cross after Mass
23/03/2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion season
27/03/2026	7.00 PM Fri	Way of the Cross after Mass
29/03/2026	10.30 AM Sun	Palm Sunday Mass
31/03/2026	6.00 pm Tue	Lenten Reconciliation Service
02/04/2026	7.00 pm Thur	Maundy Thursday Mass
03/04/2026	2.15 pm	Outdoor Way of the Cross
03/04/2026	3.00 pm	Good Friday Liturgy
<i>Wednesdays</i>	<i>10.45 am/6 pm</i>	<i>60+ Club / Yoga &amp; 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>

"The Lord heard my voice when I cried to Him." Psalm 91:15

**ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS**

Role	1 <sup>st</sup> March	8 <sup>th</sup> March	15 <sup>th</sup> March
1st Reading	Bernard Brenninkmeijer	Disona Dominic	Sr Ursula Eberhardt
Psalm	Nimasha Yusuf	Vivian Thatcher	Caterina Keyrouz
2nd Reading	Daniel Mokwena	Lourdes Fuentes	Donald
Bidding Prayer	Christobel Al Hachache	Chidinma Igwilo	Romola Cardoza

**ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS**

Date	Time	Intention	Celebration
Sunday 01/03	10.30 am	John & Clare McEvoy Int.	2nd Sunday of Lent
Monday 02/03	10 am	Monica Agyemang family	2nd Week of Lent
Tuesday 03/03	7.00 pm	Arthur Lawrence RIP	2nd Week of Lent
Wednesday 04/03	10 am	Jamie Donoghue W/B	St Casimir
Thursday 05/03	<b>No Mass</b>		
Friday 06/03	7.00 pm	Gererd Madden W/B	2nd Week of Lent
Saturday 07/03	12 Noon	Max Cockings RIP	Pilgrims Mass
	6 pm	Betty O'Meara RIP	Vigil Mass
Sunday 08/03	10.30 am	Thomas Ferncombe RIP	3rd Sunday of Lent

Loose Collection: £ 203.75



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**FOR ST ANN'S CHURCH OFFERING**

Account Name: RCAS Kingston Hill

Account Number: 79124429

Sort Code: 60-50-01, Bank: NatWest

Contactless Collection: £ 413.00

&amp; Standing Order

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.