



Sunday 15th March 2026
NEWSLETTER

Laetare Sunday
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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus,

In the middle of our Lenten journey, the Church gives us Laetare Sunday - a gentle reminder that the path of repentance is also a path of hope. Even while we walk through the desert of Lent, the light of Easter is already beginning to appear on the horizon. Christ, who opens the eyes of our hearts, invites us to renew our trust in Him and to continue our journey with joy and confidence.

On this Mother's Day, we offer our heartfelt gratitude to all mothers for their love, sacrifices, patience, and quiet strength. Mothers carry a unique vocation of nurturing life and offering care in countless unseen ways. We thank God for their presence in our families and in our parish community, and we pray that the Lord blesses them abundantly for all they do. **Our Stations of the Cross continue every Friday during Lent after the 7.00 pm Mass**, and you are warmly invited to join us as we walk prayerfully with the Lord on His journey to Calvary.

This week we will celebrate **the Feast of St Patrick on Tuesday at 7.00 pm**, and everyone is most welcome to take part in this special Mass.

We also extend our warm congratulations to Una McCormack on her 60th birthday and to Krystina Gorden Zgorska on her 70th birthday. May the Lord bless them with continued health, peace, and joy.

Thank you to everyone for your presence, prayer, and support in the life of our parish.

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

HYMNS FOR THE MASS			
Entrance	398 - Love Divine all Loves	Mem. Acclamation	440c - Save us Saviour
Offertory	799 - Whatsoever you do	Communion	706 - The Lord's my She 799 - Whatsoever you do
Santus	439 - Holy Holy Holy	Recessional	263 - Holy Virgin by God's

Altar Flowers Dedication: Today's altar flowers are sponsored by family of Nan family in loving memory of Nan Brenninkmeijer on the occasion of her Month's Mind. May her soul rest in peace.



Entrance Antiphon: Is 66: 10-11: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

In those days: The LORD said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the LORD's anointed is before him.' But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen these.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.' And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, 'Arise, anoint him, for this is he.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. **The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1

Response: The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me; he revives my soul. **R.**

He guides me along the right path, for the sake of his name. Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death, no evil would I fear, for you are with me. Your crook and your staff will give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a table before me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. In the LORD's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending. **R.**

Second reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

Brothers and Sisters: At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true,

"You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord." Ephesians 5:8

and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.' **The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation **John 8:12: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus. I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.**
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.

Gospel

John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

At that time: As Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, 'Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'It is he.' Others said, 'No, but he is like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, 'He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.' Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.' But others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?' And there was a division among them. So they said again to the blind man, 'What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?' He said, 'He is a prophet.' They answered him, 'You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?' And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' He answered, 'And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?' Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.' He said, 'Lord, I believe', and he worshipped him.

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.

"Human looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

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** – 31st 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)



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 You can also scan the QR code displayed at the back of the church or in this newsletter to go directly to the site.



“Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.” Psalm 23:4

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



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Wednesdays
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mobility and well-being.

Wednesdays 6 pm - 7 pm



Journeying in Faith Through Scripture, Tradition, and Story



Our parish invites everyone to take part in a gentle journey of faith this year. Inspired by Mary who “sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to his teaching” (Luke 10:39), these gatherings offer time to reflect on Sacred Scripture, the living Tradition of the Church, and the stories that shape our faith. Through Bible study, film reflections, shared conversation, and prayer, we hope to move from simply learning about God to encountering Him more deeply in everyday life. Tea, coffee, and light refreshments will be available.

Third Fridays - Bible Study (7:30 pm – 8:30 pm) Led by Fr James – **17th April 2026**

Second Tuesdays - Spiritual Evenings (7:30 pm) – **12th May – Biblical Women: Their lives and lessons (2)**



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.

YOUTH MEETING

11TH APRIL AT 4.30 PM

The next Youth Group meeting will take place on Saturday, 11th April 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.

ST ANN'S PARISH NEWS AND UPDATES

Easter Offering Envelopes for Priests



Easter envelopes are now available at the back of the church. Your offering is a personal gift to the priest, as priests do not receive a regular salary but have a basic monthly stipend (£152). In addition, priests may receive: Mass stipends (£10 per intentioned Mass), Stole fees for sacraments such as baptisms or funerals, when offered. Thank you for your continued kindness and care.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH THROUGH REGULAR GIVING

You can support St Ann's by setting up a **Standing Order** for regular contributions. This helps us plan and sustain the life and mission of our parish. If you are a UK taxpayer, please also consider **signing up for Gift Aid**. Through Gift Aid, **the parish receives an additional 25p for every £1 you give** – at no extra cost to you. Standing Order and Gift Aid forms are available in the church or can be accessed via the QR code below.



BAPTISM AT ST ANN'S



If you would like to baptise your child in the Catholic faith, you are most welcome. **Baptisms at St Ann's usually take place on Saturdays after the 12 noon Mass**. Please scan the QR code to access the Baptism Application Form. Once you have completed the initial application, parish office will be in touch to guide you through the next steps. We look forward to accompanying your family on this joyful journey of faith.

ST ANN'S ACTIVITIES FEB & APR 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT
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
04/04/2026	10.00 am	Holy Saturday Morning Prayer
04/04/2026	8.00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
05/04/2026	10.30 am	Easter Mass
11/04/2026	4.30 pm	Youth Meeting
12/04/2026	10.30 am	Divine Mercy Sunday
<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>

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

ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS

Role	15 th March	22nd March	29 th March
1st Reading	Volunteer	Sr Ursula Eberhardt	Chris Flint
Psalm	Volunteer	Caterina Keyrouz	Samantha Keegan
2nd Reading	Volunteer	Donald	Aaron Yusuf
Bidding Prayer	Romola Cardoza	Romola Cardoza	Jonathan Al Hachache

ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention	Celebration
Sunday 15/03	10.30 am	Nan Brenninkmeijer RIP	Laetare Sunday
Monday 16/03	10 am	Intention Available	4th Week of Lent
Tuesday 17/03	7.00 pm	Una McCormack B/D	St Patrick
Wednesday 18/03	10 am	Gabino Varques RIP	4th Week of Lent
Thursday 19/03	No Mass		
Friday 20/03	7.00 pm	Intention Available	4th Week of Lent
Saturday 21/03	---	RETREAT	NO MASS
	6 pm	Phil King RIP	Vigil Mass
Sunday 22/03	10.30 am	Mary MacCormack RIP	5th Sunday of Lent



Donate - St Ann's

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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

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& 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.