



Sunday 17 May 2026

NEWSLETTER

7th Sunday of Easter

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My dear parish family,

As we continue our journey between the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost, we are reminded that Christ entrusted His mission to ordinary people like us. He ascended not to abandon the world, but to allow His love, compassion, and presence to continue through His disciples. Every act of kindness, every quiet service, every willingness to help another person becomes a living witness to the Gospel.

Confirmation application forms are now available for **young people currently in Year 8 and above**. We warmly encourage parents and grandparents to support and encourage children who wish to continue their faith journey through the Sacrament of Confirmation. We also invite parishioners who may feel called to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Preparation sessions will be arranged, and the induction will take place on **Sunday, 21st June 2026**.

A heartfelt thank you to **the Cappagh Group** for their generous and genuine support to St Ann's parish, especially for the beautiful new steps. The work has been carried out with **great professionalism, cleanliness, and remarkable quality**. We deeply appreciate their kindness and continued support to the parish community.

I would also like to sincerely thank the **new volunteers who have stepped forward to support the parish in sacristy and secretarial ministries esp. Anne, Melita, Isabel and Jane**. Your generosity and willingness to serve are a great blessing to our parish family. Thank you for sharing your time and talents so generously.

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

GRATITUDE FROM SR URSULA

Dear Children and family, You gave me such a lovely surprise last Sunday with your beautiful card and flowers. Your kind words really touched my heart and I want to thank each one of you for giving me so much joy and love. Keep growing in love and care for others.

With my love and thanks, **Sr. Ursula**



HYMNS FOR THE MASS			
Entrance	37: Alleluia Sing to Jesus	Mem. Acclamation	440c - Save us Saviour
Gloria	1011 - Glory Glory	Agnus Dei	466 - Lamb of God
Offertory	90: Blessed Be God	Communion	72: Be Still for the Presence 663: Soul of my Saviour
Sanctus	439 - Holy Holy Holy	Recessional	859: As I Kneel Before You

Tea and Coffee after Sunday Mass

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

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 26: 7-9 O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading

Acts 1:12-14

After Jesus was taken up into heaven the Apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers and sisters.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 27(26):1. 4. 7-8a. R13

Response: I believe I shall see the LORD'S goodness in the land of the living.

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.**

O LORD, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer me. Of you my heart has spoken, 'Seek his face.' **R.**

Come and hear, all who fear God; I will tell what he did for my soul. Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer, nor withhold from me his merciful love. **R.**

Second reading**1 Peter 4:13-16**

Beloved: Rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evildoer, or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.

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

Gospel Acclamation: **John 14:18**

I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord.

I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Gospel**John 17:1-11a**

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. 'I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.'

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.

THANK YOU TO CAPPAGH GROUP OF COMPANIES**CAPPAGH**

We express our sincere gratitude to **the Cappagh Group of Companies** for their generous support to St Ann's Church. A special word of appreciation for the excellent work carried out on the new steps in the front of the Church. **The work has been completed with genuine care, professionalism, cleanliness, and remarkable attention to quality and detail.** The steps are looking beautiful and are already enhancing the surroundings of our parish campus.

TEA AT MARYMOUNT

We extend our sincere thanks to the Year 8 students of Marymount International School for warmly inviting members of our parish community for a delightful afternoon of tea, games, and fellowship. The event was beautifully organised and thoughtfully prepared by the students and the Marymount administration. It was **heartening to see the joyful interaction between our parish members and the students, creating a lovely atmosphere of friendship, care, and community spirit.** We are deeply grateful to everyone who participated and helped make the gathering such a meaningful and enjoyable occasion.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – TEA & COFFEE TEAM & CHURCH CLEANING

As our parish community continues to grow, we are looking for additional volunteers to support **the Tea and Coffee ministry after Masses and parish gatherings** and also for **Friday afternoon Church cleaning for an Hour**. Sister Ursula and the current team would greatly appreciate more helping hands.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES APPLICATION FORM

Confirmation application forms are now available. Young people currently in **Year 8 and above are welcome to apply**. Parents and grandparents are kindly encouraged to let eligible children know about the programme and support them in joining this important step in their faith journey.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – APPLICATION FORM

We warmly invite parishioners who may feel called to serve as Extraordinary Ministers. This ministry includes: Assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion during Mass, Taking Holy Communion to the sick and housebound (selected) **Those who wish to join will receive preparation sessions beforehand, and the formal induction will take place on Sunday, 21st June.**



APPRECIATION FOR OUR NEW VOLUNTEER SECRETARIAL TEAM

Last week I mentioned the need of **volunteer secretarial team** to support the growing needs of the parish. I **was deeply touched by the generous response from parishioners who stepped forward immediately**. I genuinely feel blessed and proud to belong to such a caring and generous parish community.

I would like to sincerely thank: **Anne Sebastian, Jane (Saturday Sacristian), Isabel, Melita** Anne Sebastian will assist with the main parish secretarial responsibilities including sacramental records, logistics, telephone calls, and administration. Isabel will assist particularly with children-related parish administration and communication. Melita will help with newsletter-related work, website and parish communications. We are truly grateful for their willingness to serve the parish family. Thank you so much.

Church Synodal Team Meeting – Sunday, 14th June at 3:00 pm

Finance Committee Meeting – Sunday, 21st June at 3:00 pm

Summer Garden Party - Sunday 28th June after 10.30 am mass

ST ANN'S ACTIVITIES APRIL - JUNE 2026

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesdays	10.45 am/6 pm	60+ Club / Yoga & Meditation
Second Tuesday	7.30 pm	Spiritual Evening
Second Saturday	4.30 pm	Youth Group Meeting (11-14 yrs)
Third Fridays	7.30 pm	Bible Study
Fourth Sunday	10.30 am	Family Mass (No Catechism)
24 May 2026	10.30 am Sun	Family Mass (No Catechism)
30 May 2026 & 31 May 2026	Saturday & Sunday	Visitation of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue (NPVS) of Our Lady of Fatima & Relics of Saints Francisco & Jacinta
1 June 2026	5.30 pm Mon	First Communion season - Parents & Children Session
7 June 2026	12.00 pm	First Holy Communion Celebration (Parents, Children & Friends)
9 June 2026	7.30 pm Tue	Spiritual Evening by Patricia
13 June 2026	4.30 pm	Youth Meeting
14 June 2026	3.00 pm	Parish Synodal Team Meeting
21 June 2026	3.00 pm	Parish Finance Team Meeting
28 JUNE 2026	10.30 AM	SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

EDUCATIONAL TRUST OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN

Prospect House School on Putney Hill is a wonderful local co-educational independent day school. The Prospect House School Education Trust has been established by parents of the school to **offer free bursaries to children aged 7 or 8, who will be entering either Year 3 or Year 4 in September 2026.** The school is seeking academically strong children from families who may not otherwise be able to afford independent education.

If you feel your child may qualify, please visit: Prospect House School Educational Trust
Alternatively, you may contact **Oliver Hudson, Chair of the Trust and a member of our parish community, on 07921 336316 for further information.**



FAMILY MASS

24TH MAY AT 10.30 AM

We will have our Family Mass on Sunday, 24th May 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

13TH JUNE AT 4.30 PM

The next Youth Group meeting will take place on Saturday, 13th June 2026 at 4.30pm. 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.

VISIT OF THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, KINGSTON HILL

SATURDAY 30TH MAY – SUNDAY 31ST MAY 2026

Saturday, 30th May 2026

- 11:25 a.m. – Procession and Enthronement of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue
- 12:00 noon – Solemn Holy Mass with the Prayer of Consecration of the Parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 1:20 p.m. – Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco
- 2:30 p.m. – Holy Hour with Confessions
- 3:30 p.m. – Benediction
- 3:40 p.m. – Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 4:20 p.m. – Talk: Fatima – Promise of Salvation and Peace
- 5:35 p.m. – Enrolment and Investiture of the Brown Scapular
- 6:00 p.m. – Vigil Holy Mass
- 6:50 p.m. – Final Veneration of the Relics

Sunday, 31st May 2026

- 10:30 a.m. – Sunday Holy Mass
- 11:30 a.m. – Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco
- 11:50 a.m. – Conclusion of the Visitation

All are warmly welcome to join this special time of prayer, devotion, and blessing through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima.



ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS

Role	17th May	24th May	31st May
1st Reading	Alin Simon	Elisa Fuentes	Sruthi Tharakan
Psalm	Trevor Mehtar	Nicci Brenninkmeyer	Gervin Hudson
2nd Reading	James Al-Hachache	Catherine Amuden	Samson P
Bidding Prayer	Lourdes Fuentes	Margaret Aceger	Nimasha Yusuf

ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention	Celebration
Sunday 17/05	10.30 am	Intention Available	7th Sunday of Easter
Monday 18/05	10 am	Alen McLean W/B	St John I
Tuesday 19/05	7.00 pm	Victor Ramanan Int.	St Dunstan
Wednesday 20/05	10 am	Intention available	St Bernardine of Siena
Thursday 21/05	Day Off - No Mass		
Friday 22/05	7.00 pm	Intention Available	St Rita of Cascia
Saturday 23/05	12 Noon	Max Cocking RIP	Pilgrims Mass
	6 pm	Kathy Lawrence W/B	Vigil Mass
Sunday 24/05	10.30 am	Deborah Susan Ronane RIP Maria Brenninkmeijer RIP	Pentecost Sunday

Loose Collection: £ 296.63



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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.