



Sunday 4 Oct 2026

NEWSLETTER

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's Gospel invites us to reflect on a simple but important question: **Who is the owner of the vineyard? The answer is God.** The vineyard represents much more than land. It is our life, our world, our families, our community and the whole of creation. Everything has been entrusted to us. We are not the owners; we are the caretakers. The Psalmist reminds us: **"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it."** Psalm 24:1. Our responsibility, therefore, is to care well for what has been placed into our hands and, one day, to return it to God having made it fruitful and beautiful.

This weekend we also celebrate our **Pets' Blessing**. It is a lovely reminder that our community is not made up only of human beings. **We share this world with every living creature. Our pets give us companionship, affection and, very often, quiet comfort.** Caring for them also teaches us **responsibility, gentleness and respect for life.** May we grow as a community that cares - for one another, for the lonely, for our animals, for our environment and for everything God has entrusted to us.

Our parish hall project is also progressing very well, and I am very grateful for the encouragement and support we continue to receive. As we move forward, if you have **any ideas for fundraising or grants or sponsors**, please speak to me or one of the committee members. May we always remember: the vineyard belongs to God; for a little while, He has entrusted it to us. With every blessing,

Fr James Raj, Parish Priest (jamesraj@rcaos.org.uk)

HYMNS FOR THE MASS

Entrance	706 - The Lord's My She	Acclamation	440c - Save us Saviour.
Gloria	1011 - Glory Glory	Agnus Dei	466 - Lamb of God.
Offertory	302 - In Bread We Bring	Communion	478 - Make me a channel
Sanctus	439 - Holy Holy Holy	Recessional	859 - As I kneel before

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**First reading****Isaiah 5:1-7**

Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it?

When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briars and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

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

Responsorial Psalm**Ps 80(79):9, 12. 13-14. 15-16.**

R: The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. It stretched out its branches to the sea; to the River it stretched out its shoots. **R**

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by the way. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. **R**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore; look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the stock your right hand has planted, the son you have claimed for yourself. **R**

And we shall never forsake you again; give us life that we may call upon your name. Bring us back, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved. **R**

Second reading**Philippians 4:6-9**

Brothers and Sisters: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise: think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practise these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia I chose you out of the world, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide. **Alleluia, alleluia**

Gospel**Matthew 21:33-43**

At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance." And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.' **The Gospel of the Lord. All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

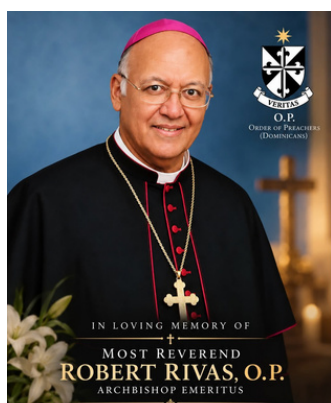
Everyone is invited to join us for tea and coffee after Sunday Mass. This is a wonderful chance to connect, share, and get to know one another better.

Kids can enjoy the Kids' Corner, a fun space to make new friends.

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.

PETS' BLESSING SUNDAY – SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER

Loving and merciful Lord, you created all living creatures and saw that they were good. We thank you for these animals who share our homes and our lives, who bring us companionship, joy and affection. Bless these pets and bless all those who care for them. Keep them safe from harm. Grant them health, peace and happiness. Through them, teach us to be gentle, to care for all your creation, and to recognise the beauty of every living creature. May we always remember that the earth and all that lives upon it are gifts entrusted to our care. And may these animals, who so often walk quietly beside us, continue to be a blessing to us. We ask this blessing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



ARCHBISHOP ROBERT RIVAS, O.P. - RIP

We are saddened by the death of Archbishop Robert Rivas, O.P., who visited us last year and became part of our parish family at St Ann's. We remember his presence among us with affection and gratitude. We offer our heartfelt condolences to his family, the Dominican community and all who mourn his loss.

May his soul rest in eternal peace. Amen.

THANK YOU, YASMIN AND FLAVIAN

We thank Yasmin and Flavian for sharing the joy of their recent pilgrimage to Lourdes. Their public witness of faith was very inspiring. We are especially grateful that they remembered St Ann's in their prayers and lit candles for our parish community. May Our Lady continue to guide and bless them both.



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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 – **16th Oct 2026**

Second Tuesdays - Spiritual Evenings (7:30 pm) – **13th October – Biblical Women:**
Their lives and lessons by Celia

MASS INTENTIONS AND SUNDAY FLOWERS

Having a **Mass offered with intention** is a beautiful way to give thanks, remember loved ones and entrust our needs to God. As a parish family, we warmly welcome the opportunity to pray with you and share in your special occasions.

- **Mass intentions:** Birthdays, wedding and death anniversaries, thanksgiving, First Holy Communicants, the sick, expectant mothers and any personal intention.
- Mass offering: **Usually £10, but you are always welcome to request a Mass without an offering.**
- Sunday flowers: Mark a special occasion with a £50 donation - £40 for flowers and £10 as a Mass offering.
- **How to book:** Complete an envelope at the back of the church and hand it to Fr James, or request a Mass online by scanning the QR code or email kingstonhill@rcaos.org.uk
- **Plan ahead:** For anniversaries and planned celebrations, please book at least six months in advance, where possible to get the right date.
- **Annual remembrance:** Please indicate if you would like your intention remembered every year, so a date can be arranged.



PARISH HALL PROJECT – PLANNING UPDATE

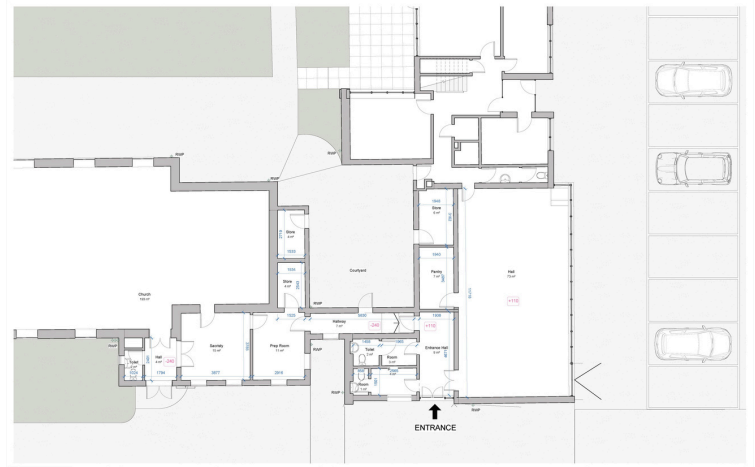
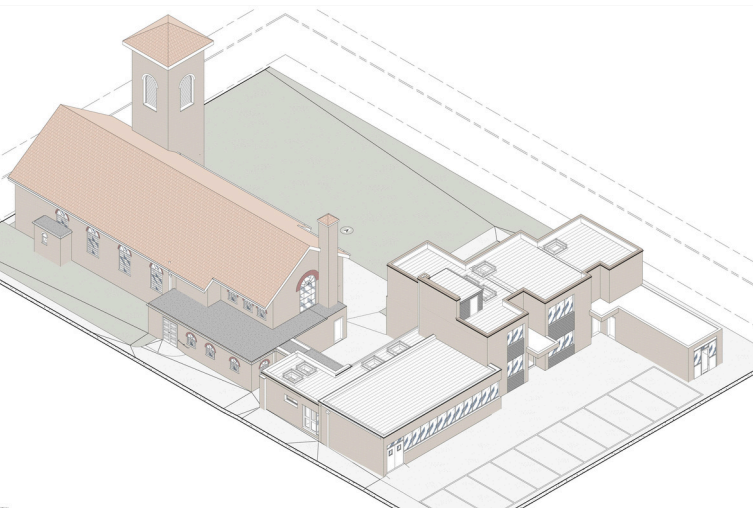
We are delighted to share that our Parish Hall Renewal and Extension Project has now reached the planning permission stage. The application has been submitted to Kingston Council, neighbouring properties have received their consultation letters, and the full plans are now available on the Council's website.

Planning Application: **26/01632/FUL**

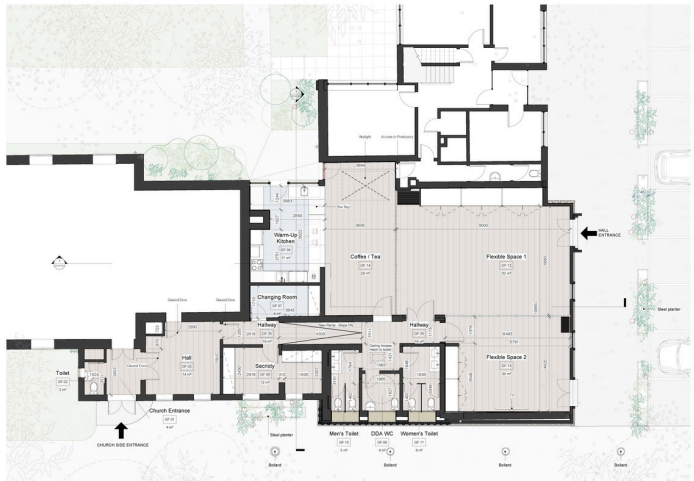
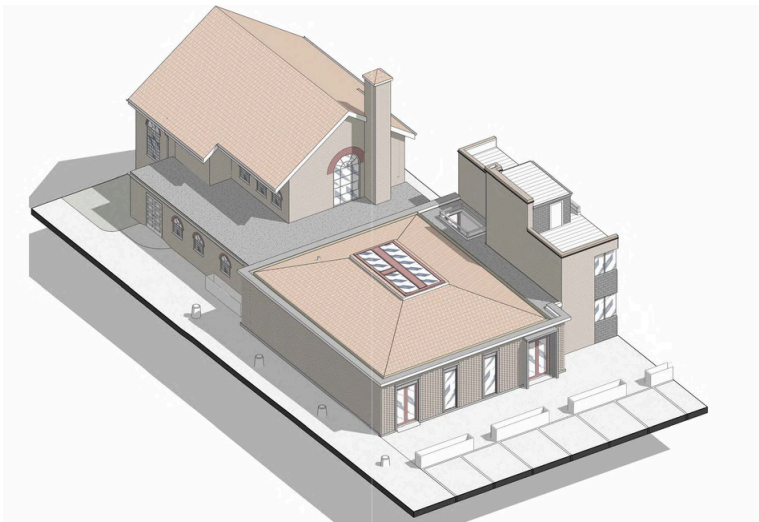


Please scan the QR code to view the application and further details. On the following pages, you can see images of our present hall and the proposed new design, giving a clearer picture of what we hope to achieve. If you would like to know more, support the project, or speak with me about the plans, you are always very welcome.

St Ann's Present Hall



St Ann's New Hall



ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS

Role	4th Oct	11th Oct	18th Oct
1st Reading	Duncan Katungu	John Mutaasa	Jorcha Massey
Psalm	Yasmin D'Souza	Ana Gonzalez	Christabel Al Hachache
2nd Reading	Consolation Wilson	Benita Rajmohan	Zara Hasson
Bidding Prayer	Shamintha Jayatilaka	Beatrice Beim	Dahlia Abi-Karam

ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention	Celebration
Sunday 04/10	10.30 am	Gabino Vazquez RIP Pall Jonsson RIP B/D	27th Sunday
Monday 05/10	10.00 am	Archbishop Robert Rivas RIP	St Faustina
Tuesday 06/10	7 pm	James Logue RIP	St Bruno
Wednesday 07/10	10.00 am	Intention Available	Our Lady of Rosary
Thursday 08/10	Day Off - No Mass		
Friday 09/10	7.00 pm	Anthony Salvador D'Souza RIP	St John Henry
Saturday 10/10	12 Noon	Intention Available	Ordinary Time
	6 pm	Max Cockings RIP	Vigil Mass
Sunday 11/10	10.30 am	Intention Available	28th Sunday



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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.