

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH NORBURY



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Sunday 14th September

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Saturday 13th September	6.15pm	Today's second collection will be for the Catholic Education Service (CES)	Margaret Towey RIP
Sunday 14th September	8.30am		The Holy souls
	10am		Roger Ashman RIP
	11.30am		Family Choir
	4pm		James Darmody RIP
	5pm		Benediction
			The Holy Souls

TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday 15th September	7.30am 10am	Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)	People of the Parish Gerry Gresand RIP
Tuesday 16th September	7.30am 10am	Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (Memorial)	Gilly Fernandes (Anniversary) RIP Evie McCarthy (Birthday)
Wednesday 17th September	7.30am 10am	(Feria)	Thanksgiving – Monica & Teopista Wellbeing of Michael Cullinane
Thursday 18th September	7.30am 10am	(Feria)	The Holy Souls Thanksgiving – Rita Bethune
Friday 19th September	7.30am 10am	(Feria)	Ellis (Foundation Mass) The Order of The Knights of St Columba
Saturday 20th September	10am	Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest and Paul Chŏng Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)	November Deceased List

Sunday 21st September

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (PAGE 140)

Saturday 20th September	6.15pm	There will be a second collection for the Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (Home Mission) The Annual Mass Count shall take place over the next four weekends.	Michael McCready (12th Anniversary) RIP
Sunday 21st September	8.30am		People of the Parish Free Coffee Morning
	10am		Pietro Mobile RIP Free Coffee Morning
	11.30am		Sheila Johnson RIP Free Coffee Morning
	4pm		Benediction
	5pm		The Holy Souls

Normal Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass Times	Weekdays Mass	Confession	Adoration & Benediction	Rosary
Saturday 6.15pm (Vigil)	Monday to Friday 7.30am & 10am	Saturday after 10am Mass then from 5pm to 6pm	Monday to Thursday & Saturday 9.30am Friday after 10am Mass until 10pm	Monday to Thursday & Saturday after 10am Mass
Sunday 8.30am; 10am; 11.30am & 5pm Benediction 4pm	Saturday 10am			

APPRECIATION: We thank Father Tobias Ongaria SJ, Father Benedict Omondi SJ, Father David Ngetich SJ, Father Aloysious Lubega SJ and Father Christopher Ngolele SJ from the local Jesuit Communities for supplying over the summer break. We wish them all the best in their studies.

MASS COVERAGE TODAY: We welcome Fr. Augustine Kinnane, who will be celebrating the 8.30am & 10am Masses. We thank him for his kindness.

THANK YOU: The confirmation group 2025 would like to thank all the parents and volunteers who participated or helped in some other way. They were able to raise £1,383.00, which was distributed between three charities: Caritas Southwark, St Vincent de Paul (SVP) – St Bartholomew's Norbury and Oasis Community Hub Waterloo.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2026 – REGISTRATION INFORMATION: The Rite of Confirmation will take place at **12:00 noon on Sunday 14th June 2026**. **Registration for the Confirmation Preparation Programme** will open on **Sunday 5th October 2025** and close on **Friday 31st October 2025**. An **introductory meeting** for all candidates, parents, and guardians will be held on **Thursday 11th December 2025**. **Please note:** ☒ **Online registration** is required and ☒ **Attendance at the introductory meeting** is mandatory to enrol in the programme.

GRATITUDE: We would like to thank all the parishioners who donated some amazing gifts towards the quiz night, and we welcome more! May the grace of God bless you abundantly.



A PLEA FROM THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE: As you may be aware, the Social Committee has several exciting events planned for the coming months. We look forward to welcoming parishioners and friends to these events. To help support these events, we kindly ask for **raffle prize donations**. If you have any unwanted **gifts, bottles of wine, or spirits** that you would be happy to donate,

please drop them off at the parish office at your convenience. **A quick reminder:** Our Quiz Night will take place on **Saturday 20th September 2025 from 7.30pm in the Church Hall**. Please take a flyer from the church porch for more details. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and continued support. **Raffle tickets on sale after all masses – cost per strip £2.00.**

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE – FINAL DATES FOR 2025: The **final Baptism Preparation Course for 2025** will take place on: **Wednesdays, 17th & 24th September 2025 from 8pm – 9pm in the Church Retro Chapel**. **Important Notes: Both sessions are mandatory.** You **must sign up** if you haven't attended a course in the **past three (3) years**. To begin the baptism process, please collect a form titled **"Request for Baptism at St Bartholomew's Catholic Church"** from the **Church's Main Porch**, complete it, and return it to the **Parish Office**. A **baptism date may be chosen after completing the course**.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT: Requiem Mass for **Terry Folorunso will be on Thursday, 25th September 2025, at 12.30pm** and then at Croydon Cemetery, Mitcham at 2pm. Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

POLYPHONY CHOIR: The Polyphony Choir resumes practices on Tuesday 16th September at 20:00 in the gallery (please enter through the side door). It's a great time to join them as they start a new year and begin a term preparing the music for Christmas!

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, STREATHAM: If you wish to apply for a **reception place for your child for September 2026**, we are delighted to invite you to our Open Mornings on the following dates:

- **Tuesday 1st October 2025**
- **Wednesday 15th October 2025**
- **Wednesday 5th November 2025**
- **Wednesday 19th November 2025**
- **Wednesday 26th November 2025**

These mornings will give you the opportunity to tour our school, meet staff, and learn more about what we offer. To book a place on one of our school tours, please refer to the website below:

<https://www.standrewsrc.lambeth.sch.uk/AdmissionsReception/>

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE (CES): Acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support Catholic education. They have a strong and positive working relationship with the British and Welsh Governments, sharing the aims of high academic standards for all and increased parental choice. Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools. There are over 2000 Catholic schools, academies and colleges in England educating over 800,000 pupils. The Catholic Church and the Church of England together provide one-third of all the schools in the country. The CES is the chief negotiating and advisory body on matters affecting all aspects of Catholic education, and it also provides financial assistance for school transport in rural areas.

RECENT COLLECTIONS 7TH & 8TH SEPTEMBER 2025:
Gift Aid: £215.20, Non-Gift Aid: £675.5, **Basket: £890.73**

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