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EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SATURDAY	13TH	18:00	Fifteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	14TH	08:30	Fifteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Jesus
SUNDAY	14TH	10:00	Fifteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Philomena & Family
SUNDAY	14TH	12:00	Fifteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Obin Evariste & George RIP
SUNDAY	14TH	18:00	Fifteenth Sunday	Solemnity	David Tiehi
MONDAY	15TH	10:00	Our Lady of Sorrows	Memorial	Elizabeth De Roubin RIP
TUESDAY	16TH	10:00	Saints Cornelius & Cyprian	Memorial	Our Lady of Tears
WEDNESDAY	17TH	10:00	St Robert Bellarmine	Memorial	Our Lady of Sorrows
THURSDAY	18TH	10:00	St Edith of Kemsing	Memorial	Queen Elizabeth II RIP
FRIDAY	19TH	10:00	St Theodore of Canterbury	Memorial	
SATURDAY	20TH	10:00	SS A Kim Tae-gŏn & P Chong He-Sang	Memorial	Jesus the Redeemer

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM MASS

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY EVENINGS: 5PM - 5:40PM



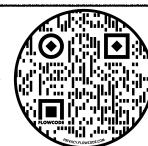
We pray for Marianna Ryan, Anne Marie Heslin, Joyce Hall, Martin Curry and Lorraine Harling who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Doreen Tonna, Antoni Zapert, Frederick Rouse, Joseph Jean Pierre and Maria Nawara. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls - and the souls of all the faithful departed - through the mercy of God - rest in peace. Amen.

From Pope Leo's sermon at the canonisation of St Pier Giorgio Frassatti and St Carlo Acutis (Rome, Sunday 7th September 2025): "Both Pier Giorgio and Carlo cultivated their love for God and for their brothers and sisters through simple acts, available to everyone: daily Mass, prayer, and especially Eucharistic Adoration. Carlo used to say: "In front of the sun, you get a tan. In front of the Eucharist, you become a saint!" And again: "Sadness is looking at yourself; happiness is looking at God. Conversion is nothing more than shifting your gaze from below to above; a simple movement of the eyes is enough." Another essential practice for them was frequent Confession. Carlo wrote: "The only thing we really have to fear is sin," and he marvelled because — in his own words — "people are so concerned with the beauty of their bodies and do not care about the beauty of their souls." Finally, both had a great devotion to the saints and to the Virgin Mary, and they practiced charity generously. Pier Giorgio said: "Around the poor and the sick, I see a light that we do not have". He called charity "the foundation of our religion" and, like Carlo, he practiced it above all through small, concrete gestures, often hidden, living what Pope Francis called "a holiness found in our next-door neighbours". Even when illness struck them and cut short their young lives, not even this stopped them nor prevented them from loving and offering themselves to God, blessing him and praying to him for themselves and for everyone. One day Pier Giorgio said: 'The day of my death will be the most beautiful day of my life'... Moreover, Carlo, who was even younger than Pier Giorgio, loved to say that heaven has always been waiting for us, and that to love tomorrow is to give the best of our fruit today... Dear friends, Saints Pier Giorgio Frassatti and Carlo Acutis are an invitation to all of us, especially young people, not to squander our lives, but to direct them upwards and make them masterpieces. They encourage us with their words: "Not I, but God," as Carlo used to say. And Pier Giorgio: "If you have God at the centre of all your actions, then you will reach the end." This is the simple but winning formula of their holiness. It is also the type of witness we are called to follow, in order to enjoy life to the full and meet the Lord in the feast of heaven."

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PARISH NEWS

WELCOME FATHER GODFREY OGWANG: It is a great joy to welcome Father Godfrey among us for his first Sunday in the parish. Father Godfrey comes from the Diocese of Lira in Uganda and is getting used to life in his new home. He looks forward to meeting you all and we are blessed to have him here.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY & NEXT SUNDAY: This Sunday we are invited to support the Catholic Education Service as it works to manage and support Catholic Schools within England and Wales. Next Sunday is Home Mission Sunday on which we are invited to support the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis which works to promote the spread of the Gospel within our diocese.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Our programme to prepare adults who wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church begins next month each week on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm (during the school term). If you are interested in joining the programme please do call (02081501150) or email (brixtonhill@rcaos.org.uk) to arrange a meeting with me.

SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP BEGINS ON SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER AT 4PM: Our Youth Group is a great opportunity for your child to grow in faith and friendship and have fun. It will resume on Sunday 21st September at 4pm in the Church Hall. Please complete [this form](#) for your child to attend.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION / CONFIRMATION PROGRAMMES: Details about forthcoming preparatory parents' sessions for children in Year 3 and Year 8 will be available in next week's Newsletter.

CAFOD PROVIDING HELP IN GAZA: CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem is currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza. You can find out more about how you can make a difference at www.cafod.org.uk. Let us continue to pray for peace.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: All our parish volunteers need to do safeguard training. For those who did not attend training last Autumn (either online or in person with Anne Rodger) or online since then, there will be two opportunities to attend on Thursday 9th October 10:30am and Saturday 18th October 10:30am in the Church Hall. The session will last 1 hour. If you would prefer to do the training online at a time that suits you, Anne can send you details. Please [click here](#) to register for training or email Anne Rodger for details of online training at: brixtonhillsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk.

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE: This day long course is offered by the Archdiocese for free to couples. Courses will take place in October (Catford) and November (Petts Wood). More info [here](#).

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS / SECONDARY SCHOOL FORM COLLECTION: If you are requesting a Certificate of Catholic Practice for a school application you need to complete a form for the parish by clicking [here](#). Please follow the instructions within the online form. For those applying for Secondary Schools: if your form is submitted by Monday 22nd September you can collect your completed form on Friday 26th September (Corpus Christi parents - School Reception / Others - Priests' House 8am-8pm). If submitted after 25th September, you can collect on Wednesday 15th October. The Certificate of Catholic Practice form can be found by clicking [here](#).