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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME SATURDAY VIGIL Queen Elizabeth II RIP **28TH** 18:00 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday** Solemnity 08:30 **SUNDAY 29TH Twenty-Sixth Sunday** Solemnity Pro Populo SUNDAY 29тн 10:00 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday** Solemnity Members of the Bailey & Ryan Families **SUNDAY 29**TH 12:00 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday** Solemnity Mahoua Kamara **SUNDAY** 29тн 18:00 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday Solemnity MONDAY** 30TH 10:00 St Jerome Memorial **TUESDAY** 10:00 St Thérèse Memorial 1st **WEDNESDAY** 10:00 Holy Guardian Angels Memorial 2_{ND} **THURSDAY** 3rd 10:00 Feria Flavio Alvares RIP **FRIDAY** St Francis of Assisi Memorial **4**TH 10:00 **SATURDAY** 5тн 10:00 St Faustina Kowalska Memorial

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 5:40PM [HALL] TEA & COFFEE: AFTER 10AM MASS [THURS & SUN]



We pray for those who have died. We pray for John Haughey who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time including Aiden Wall, Michael Devine, Christine Musaala, George Reed, Theresa Francelia Rollock and Roy Hutchinson. May their souls - and the souls of the faithful departed through God's mercy - rest in peace.

I'm writing these words having returned from Bishop Thomas Grant School where we were visited by Bishop Philip Moger who came to celebrate the Mass for the 65th anniversary of the school's establishment. There were pupils representing every year group, past pupils, staff, clergy, governors and supporters of the school. It was a great occasion at which the students demonstrated so many gifts and I was particularly proud of the altar servers whom I trained and who assisted at the altar with such dignity. This morning the children of Corpus Christi primary school gathered and - in the same way - contributed to the liturgy with great grace and care. It was a day to be inspired by the faith and the action of others and this was a theme that Bishop Philip chose in his address. He spoke of how St Vincent de Paul - whose feast day it was - made a difference by his decision to include God within his life on earth. This motivated the saint's enthusiasm to help others. Bishop Philip reminded us that - in helping others - we are not always immediately aware of the effect. Sometimes we may feel nothing and get discouraged and despondent; we may doubt if we play a particularly important role. To think this and believe it to be true is, however, a temptation of the Devil who seeks to frustrate the will of God that we become His saints by always choosing to love like His Son; without concern for self. Whenever we love like this it has an effect which we may not know in this life. As Bishop Philip said, the effect may be known in a different country. All we know is that our trying to love as God loves is what matters most!

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PARISH NEWS

CAFOD APPEAL: Next Sunday for the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development.

ARE YOU A GRAPHIC DESIGNER? I'd be very grateful to hear from you! brixtonhill@rcaos.org.uk

HAVING A MASS SAID FOR SOMEONE: The most powerful prayer we can unite ourselves with on earth is the Mass because it is the prayer of Jesus offering Himself to the Father. Masses are offered for particular intentions by the priest - for the living or the dead - and are announced before each Mass and written in the Newsletter. The offerings form a significant part of a priest's annual income. Mass intention envelopes are available in the porch and we have many free intentions.

<u>URGENT:</u> HAVE YOU THOUGHT OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We will gather <u>from Wednesday 16th October</u> until June - exploring the Catholic faith together. Our course will look at Faith Believed - the Creed, Faith Celebrated - the Sacraments and Liturgy, Faith Lived - the moral life and Faith Prayed - the Our Father and prayer. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Dr Ann Holder - our programme coordinator - via email: <u>brixtonhillrcia@rcaos.org.uk</u>.

SCRIPTURE COURSE RESUMES: We continue to deepen our understanding of the meaning of the Old Testament reflecting again on the tales contained within 1 Kings 12:22 and 2 Kings in preparation for our next video lecture and discussion on **Tuesday 8th October** at 7:30pm.

SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP CONTINUES NEXT WEEKEND - 6TH OCTOBER!: Our Youth Group for Year 6, 7 and 8 (pre-Confirmation) re-commenced last Sunday and was a great success! With faith formation, food, fun, prayer and the opportunity to make new friends it's a great way for your child to develop in the light of God's love. Sister Kumari continues to run *Craft Corner* too so make sure to sign up your child by clicking on this link. Please pray for all our young people!

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINES: All parents need to complete the Application for a Priest's Reference Form (available on the parish website) and then submit the Certificates of Catholic Practice to be signed in one envelope through The Priests' House letterbox.

<u>If submitted by Monday 30th September</u>, you can collect forms on **Friday 4th October [AM/PM]** <u>If submitted after 30th September</u>, you can collect forms on **Wednesday 16th October [AM/PM]**

Please only drop off the forms that need to be signed by the priest rather than the whole application and ensure you complete the top section with your child's details.

SENIORS' EXERCISE GROUP: Our Seniors' exercise group takes place every fortnight on Mondays from 10:30am in the Church Hall. Please see the noticeboard for dates and details.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2025: I am very grateful to those who are volunteering to coordinate our programmes and catechise our children this year. Our courses for those in year 3 (First Holy Communion) and year 8 (Confirmation) begin with parents' sessions on Thursday 7th and Tuesday 12th November at 7pm. Attendance at both sessions is required in order to enrol your child. First Holy Communion sessions will be on Saturdays (4:45-5:45pm) and Confirmation sessions will be on Friday evenings (6:30-7:30pm) in term time only from January.