



Ordinariate and Parish Church

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*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26th September 2021

In the gospel reading today, we hear that anyone who is not against Christ is for him. We are often exclusive in believing that Christ acts through us alone. There are many good people through whom the spirit works even though they do not call themselves Christians. This should be an encouragement to us to live out our Christian lives to the full.



Harvest Thanksgiving is this week with a collection of funds and stuff for the Manna Centre. Please bring your gifts to the table at the front. There's a list overleaf.

The Manna Centre supports any who need help, especially those who are homeless. Please keep them and their work in your prayers this week.

Practical help needed at the Manna Centre who require help from 08.30-11.00 and 11.30-13.30. Could you volunteer some or all weekdays? For info email email@mannasociety.org.uk

Office workers and the lunch time Mass. If you have a message-board, please advertise the lunch-time Mass. We'll review the time at Christmas. Is 12.35 the best time?

Assisted Suicide Bill is currently before the British Parliament. The Bishops have again asked us to pray, contact and inform those in Parliament to preserve Human Life and defeat this Bill. More info here.

Bible Timeline Course on understanding the Bible from start to finish. A free on-line course with Mauro Iannicelli, starting Wed 29th Sept with eight sessions, 19.00 - 20.40
Info & Registration: comeandsee.org

Mass Intentions can be made on line -
[/request-mass-intention](http://request-mass-intention)

Our St Joseph's school are having a whole school Mass on Wednesday this week at 10am in Church, for the beginning of the new term. Parents are especially invited!

Safeguarding application and DBS clearance are being processed. Thank you to those who have responded to the role application. The next stage is identity checks. Our SG rep has suggested a workshop. An email will come soon listing which papers to gather.

What is *Some Definite Service*? The Archbishop and the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis have developed a vision and fresh model for supporting parishes as we seek to become a 'missionary and evangelising archdiocese'. Want to get involved?
aee.rcaos.org.uk/sds

Season of Creation continues till 4th Oct. Pope Francis asks us to pray for creation.

Synod 2023 is an initiative of Pope Francis for a Church working towards '*Communion, Participation, Mission*'. More to follow soon.

Scaffolding around the Church, and Organ parts piling at the back of Church create more and more dust!

Cleaning Church has got a little out of the usual routine. Any volunteers?



The Archangels.

What Is An Angel? "From infancy to death human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession. 'Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life.' Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God" (CCC. 336). Pope St Gregory the Great distinguishes between angels and archangels: "Those who deliver messages of lesser importance are called angels; and those who proclaim messages of supreme importance are called archangels."

The Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, are Archangels. Though we cannot know of all the many times these magnificent spirits and powerful allies have entered into history to accomplish God's will, protecting us, driving away demons, and bearing forth messages of God's providential plan of salvation, some of their specific actions are recorded in Sacred Scripture, and, in each case, we obtain a glimpse into their ardent love for God, intently focused wills and formidable intellects.

"Who Is Like God"

As we read in Scripture, it was St Michael who long ago led the battle against Satan: "Then war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels battled against the dragon. Although the dragon and his angels fought back, they were overpowered and lost their place in heaven. The huge dragon, the ancient serpent known as the devil or Satan, the seducer of the whole world, was driven out; he was hurled down to earth and his minions with him" (Rev 12:7-9).

The name Michael means "who is like God." St Michael's will is focused, immovable, and entirely driven toward accomplishing goodness: he is a protector of souls, and wields his unrelenting sword of righteous justice

against the poisonous and vindictive aspirations of the one who is known as a liar from the beginning. During a visit to the Sanctuary of Saint Michael the Archangel, the Pope Saint John Paul II said, "The battle against the devil . . . is the principal task of Saint Michael the archangel."

"God Is My Strength"

Gabriel means "God is my strength." As we read in the second antiphon of the Office of Readings, the angel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah and said, "Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall name him John" (see Lk 1:13). Thus St Gabriel announced the coming of John the Baptist, the greatest prophet of the Most High, who would go before the Lord to prepare his way. It was St Gabriel who was sent from God to Nazareth, "to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, . . . and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, 'Hail, favoured one! The Lord is with you'" (Lk 1:27-28).

"God Is My Health"

Raphael means "God is my health." St Raphael is one of seven angels "who enter and serve before the Glory of the Lord" (Tob 12:15). The meaning of Raphael's name reflects the fact that he touched Tobit's eyes in order to heal them of blindness.

When Tobit and his son Tobiah were discussing how they should repay St Raphael for all that he had done for them, "Raphael called the two men aside privately and said to them: 'Thank God! Give him the praise and the glory. Before all the living, acknowledge the many good things he has done for you, by blessing and extolling his name in song. Before all men, honour and proclaim God's deeds, and do not be slack in praising him'" (Tobit 12:6).

Their Feast day is Wednesday this week.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



MANNA DAY CENTRE



Harvest Festival list 2021

Needs in order of priority

(Most important items in bold type)

FOOD

Sugar
Powdered Milk
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Vegetables (Tinned)
Pasta Sauces
Breakfast cereals
Rice
Meat (Tinned)

Tinned Food

Fish
Baked Beans
Soup
Hot Dogs
Fruit
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats
Stewed steak

Non-Tinned Food

Curry Sauces
Porridge oats
Pasta
Spaghetti
Tomato sauce
Jelly
Cooking oil
Biscuits

DRINKS

Coffee
Dilutable drinks
Tea

TOILETRIES

Bodywash
Soap
Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Shampoo
Disposable razors

MEN'S CLOTHING

Jeans
Jogging bottoms
Trainers
Underwear

MISCELLANEOUS

Smartphone
(Working 2nd hand phone)
Oyster cards
(Unregistered preferably)



This is an invitation for us, as Catholics, to 'walk together' and that every member of the Church may speak, and so help those in authority to work, with discernment, for the building up of the Church.

The Synod Office in Rome has produced a comprehensive process which encompasses the stated aim of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, that the Church in today's world should have a vision of *missionary communion* orientated to *evangelisation*. More info coming soon, [link here](#)

Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Open Days
Tuesday 2nd November 14.00– 15.30
Thursday 4th November 09.30–11.00

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The next programme commences with a weekend
21st – 24th October 2021

For more information
01 495 3536
(Complete confidentiality assured.)

This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
This Sunday 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	09.30 11.00	Muriel & Alfred Parishioners
<i>Mon 27th St Vincent de Paul</i>		
<i>Tue 28th (St Wenceslaus)</i>	12.35	Francesca & Andrea
<i>Wed 29th Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, the Archangels</i>	10.00 12.35	<i>St Joseph's School</i> In thanksgiving for a marriage
<i>Thurs 30th St Jerome</i>	12.35	Genevieve Groves ✕
<i>Fri 1st St Thérèse of the Child Jesus</i>	12.35	Michael <i>poorly</i>
<i>Sat 2nd Guardian Angels</i>	10.00† 15.30	Walsingham Lavinia <i>being baptised</i>
Next Sunday 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	09.30 11.00	Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Genesis 2:18-24 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-6

Sacrament of Confession. Tuesday - Friday 12.00-12.30

Evensong 4.00pm, & Benediction, 1st Sunday
6.00pm, Thursday *tbc*

† **Mass in the Ordinate Use** of the Roman Rite

Safeguarding. The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

Holy Father's Intention for October: *Missionary Disciples*

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel. .

For your prayers:

In formation: for Ministry, Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes)

Those who are Sick: Mary, David, Fr Brian, Neville, Geraldine

Recently Departed: Terry Donnelly *priest*

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