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The parish office should be your first port of call for any enquiries including arrangements for all sacraments (e.g. baptisms, weddings, funerals). Please email Karin Rattray, the Parish Secretary, at parishoffice@stagathaschurch.org.uk or call on 020 8546 4633. The office is open from 9.30am to 2.00pm Monday to Friday. Could you please limit telephone calls outside these hours to emergencies only.

**SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2018 – THIRTEENTH SUNDAY (B)
FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES THIS WEEK**

Saturday 30 th	
9.30am	-
6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 1 st	
9.00am	-
10.30am	Holy Souls
6.30pm	May McCambridge RIP
Monday 2 nd	
9.30am	Rev. Bob Beresford Birthday Thanksgiving
Tuesday 3 rd	St Thomas, Apostle, feast
9.30am	-
Wednesday 4 th	
9.30am	Special Intention For the country of Venezuela
Thursday 5 th	
9.30am	Raymond Soloman RIP
Friday 6 th	
9.30am	Holy Souls
Saturday 7 th	
9.30am	-
6.30pm	Natalino Evangelista RIP

Confessions: Saturday 10.00-10.30am, 18.00-18.15pm and at call
Exposition: Saturday 10.00-10.30am
Baptisms: By previous arrangement on Sundays at 12.30pm.
Marriages: Six months' notice required - Diocesan rule

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Pat Appleby, John Sewter, Christina Ward, Bill & Mary Kerrigan, Tess Bird, Clare Horgan. *Due to the new data protection rules we are unable to have names on the sick list unless we have written permission from the person to publicise their names. Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives and friends want to be mentioned in our sick list.*

ANNIVERSARIES

Eileen Barber, Joan & Sean O'Connor, Yvonne Thompson, Louis Boribond, Mary Ann Duckett, Adele Morganti, Mary Ellen Lewis, Mother Rita, Hannah McIsaac, Horace Rice, Paul Cantoni, Margaret Mary Elliott, Vanda Warne, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Navin, Eliza Judge, Edward Keating, Mary Flaherty, Raymond Solomon, Margaret Purser, Gladys Webley, Henry McFarland, Elizabeth Pask, Richard Duckett, James McDonnell, Vincent Bruce McCall, Jane Readon, Jessica Lilian Morgan, Sidney George Charles White, Frederick Norman, Irene Coll, Ian McIntyre.

+++ **May they rest in Peace** +++

OFFERINGS

The retiring collection for last weekend was for **A Day for Life**. Next weekend's retiring collection will be for **The Apostleship of the Sea**.

First collection	Gift Aid	£686.65	Loose	£289.76
Retiring Collection	Gift Aid	£38.50	Loose	£63.32
TOTAL		£1078.23		

POWER TO RESTORE; A REFLECTION OF PSALM 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

Today's gospel relates two stories which show the power of Jesus to save a life that was wasting away and even restore life to the girl who had died. The first reading tells us that death was not God' doing and that God takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. The psalm is a very explicit response to this God who rescues and restores. *O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.* The heading over the psalm in the Bible associates it with the dedication of the temple after it had been desecrated by foreign invaders *'...you have not let my enemies rejoice over me.'* The psalmist reflects on the way that our problems may seem to have no way out when we are going through them, but divine intervention can change everything in no time at all. *'His anger lasts a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.'* We live at a time when many people have lost the larger picture of life: life has become a meaningless succession of disassociated moments. As a result, they do not think with a timescale that allows darkness wait until dawn. The resurrection of Jesus was the greatest act of rescue. It gives Christianity an essentially optimistic mentality. Faith enables one to reach out and touch the Lord who rescues and restores. *'For me you have changed my mourning into dancing.'*

Important Upcoming Dates

Thursday 12 th July	St Agatha's School Year 6 Production
Sunday 14 th July	Baptism Preparation Class
Wednesday 18 th July	Parish Men's Group
Thursday 19 th July	St Agatha's School Year 6 Leavers Mass
Friday 20 th July	St Agatha's School End of year Mass

AUDIT OF CHURCH KEYS / NEW CHURCH KEYS

We are continuing with an audit of who holds keys to the church and presbytery and we have now had several locks changed. We will do our best to provide new keys to anyone who opens or closes the church or has a need for a key. Could you please contact the parish secretary as soon as possible if you hold any keys or to request the new keys.

DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), was introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new legislation. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish secretary.

GIFT AID SCHEME

The new gift aid envelopes are available; it is now URGENT that you contact the Parish Secretary if you are part of the scheme and have not collected your envelopes; even if you no longer need them please.

Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.
~ Martin Luther King.

HAVE A BLESSED AND PEACEFUL WEEK!

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation – Registered Incorporated Charity Number 1173050

St Agatha's Ladies Group

Attention Ladies in the parish! We are looking to form a new group just for the Ladies from September. This group will be for all the busy ladies of the Parish who want to take a break during the month and enjoy activities with others. There will be no commitment! Simply join us for the events that fit your schedule and interest. Thank you to those who have already been in touch, please keep your ideas coming. We will hold an initial meeting in September to discuss all ideas and a schedule. If you would be interested in joining, please contact the Parish Secretary with your details and any tips and ideas!

Sacramental Preparation

The next baptism preparation class will be on **Sunday 14th July 2018, at 2pm**, in the cloister. Please contact the parish secretary to book your place. If you are considering your child's baptism within the next few months, please complete an application form and join us for this class; we will not be holding another class until September 2018. Parents must attend a Baptism preparation class before receiving a date for your child's baptism. Godparents are also encouraged and welcome to attend the class. The Baptism preparation class is for the adults only; it is our experience that parents get more out of the sessions if they are not easily distracted.

Alive Publishing — The Loose Change Parish Bucket Initiative.

We still have the red large plastic bucket in the church porch to give you an opportunity to put any loose change in. This is a nationwide programme to raise money in support of Prisoners and Missionaries. Through everyone's generosity they are able to send Bible Alive, Bibles, books and other resources which encourage and support them in their faith and ministry.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions envelopes are available in the church entrance. When requesting a Mass, please clearly indicate the intention and whether the Mass is for the deceased, the sick or for another intention. Masses can sometimes be booked several weeks in advance so if you have a particular date or time on which you want the Mass, it is very important that you let the parish office know well ahead of time. We cannot guarantee a requested date when submitting Mass Intentions. If no date is specified or a date requested is not available, the Mass Intention will be assigned to the next open date. If you require confirmation of a Mass time and date, please ensure you provide your contact details.

Accommodation Needed

Primary school teacher and parishioner of St Agatha's, seeks a privately owned one bedroom flat for rent, in the following areas: Kingston, Richmond, Putney, New Malden, Norbiton, Coombe, Sheen, Ham, Roehampton. If you have any relevant information, please can you kindly contact Maria at; maria_peters21@hotmail.com.

London SW Catholic Young Adults

London SW Catholic Young Adults is a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242. Our next social evening is on Saturday, 7th July from 7.30pm at The Junction, Clapham Junction SW11 1SA.

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 17th September 2018. £649.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight from Gatwick with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Please contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.



SUMMER CAMP 2018

Boys' Camp 8 -13 years old | Girls' Camp 9 -12 years old



The SVP St John Bosco Camp provides an exciting, activity-packed week long overnight camping holiday in the Essex countryside.





COST
£145
(Suggested donation)
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DATES OF CAMP
Boys' Camp Wk1
21 July – 28 July
Boys' Camp Wk2
28 July – 4 August
Girls' Camp
4 Aug – 11 August






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“Summertime 2018”

Altar Servers Summer Break

Tuesday 7th –
Friday 10th August

Woldingham, Surrey

A few days for boy and girl servers aged 10- 15 of the Southwark Diocese

Meet in a holiday atmosphere

Activities include talks, discussions, prayer, daily Mass, as well as sport, Chessington World of Adventures, Swimming, Laser Elite.



Cost £145
Cost for week covers:
All board and lodging
Laser Elite
Chessington
Swimming

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Ask your parish priest or sacristan for an application form,
or contact Fr. Stephen, or download from
stanselm01.wordpress.com

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK
ANNUAL DAY FOR RELIGIOUS WITH ARCHBISHOP PETER

AYLESFORD PRIORY
FRIDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2018
10.30AM – 3.30PM

‘LOVE BADE ME WELCOME’

PRAYING WITH PAINTINGS AND POETRY WITH
SISTER MAGDALEN LAWLER SND

Please see the church noticeboard for a booking form.