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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](mailto: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 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 – TWELTH SUNDAY (B)  
FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES THIS WEEK**

Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
9.30am	-
6.30pm	Marie Ann Xiberras
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Nativity of John the Baptist, solemnity
9.00am	Tina Piccirillo RIP
10.30am	People of the Parish Special Intention for the Parishes GCSE & A Level Students
6.30pm	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	Special Intention For the country of Venezuela
11am	Requiem Mass Joan Gallagher RIP
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	-
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	Private Intention
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	St Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, memorial
9.30am	-
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles, solemnity
9.30am	Whole School Mass
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	
9.30am	-
6.30pm	People of the Parish
Confessions:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am, 18.00-18.15pm and at call
Exposition:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am

**Important Upcoming Dates**

Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Agatha's School Summer Fair
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Baptism Preparation Class

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Pat Appleby, John Sewter, Christina Ward.

*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**

Cornelius Sheehy, Lilian Elizabeth Murray, Sirio Fiaschi, Yvonne Gawthope, Dennis Sweeney, Jane Egan, Peter Bolger, Brendan Patrick Hogan, Margaret Creely, Ellen Williams, John Owens, Paul Canton, Edwin Charles Clarke, Fredrick James Ricks, Fr. John Coleman, Mary Francis Cherry, Sister Lucy Staunton, Mary Gentry, Thomas Egan, Margaret King, John McCarthy, Charles Rabbitts, Maureen Patricia McArdle, Mary Farrelly, Hugh Glenn, Amelia Van Den Bosch, Maud Medhurst, Joseph Rocca, Gerald Appleby, Eileen Barber, Joan & Sean O'Connor.

+++ May they rest in Peace +++

**OFFERINGS**

The retiring collection for last weekend was for **Missionary Sisters Servants of the Holy Spirit**. The retiring collection for this weekend is for **Day for Life**.

**GIFT AID SCHEME**

**The new gift aid envelopes are available; it is now imperative that the envelopes are collected within the next week; please contact the Parish Secretary as soon as possible to discuss collection or delivery.**

**REFLECTION**

The extraordinary events surrounding the birth of John the Baptist indicate his extortionary calling. Yet, each of the persons in the story had to play their part correctly. Zachariah was disbelieving and therefore was struck dumb, but now upon his and Elizabeth's insistence the child was named John. This means that now Zachariah believed and obeyed the words of the angel. John also kept a low profile until it was time for him to be revealed to Israel. The neighbours and kinsfolk were witnesses to the miracle of the restoration of speech and the prophetic utterance of Zachariah. In God's plan, He has assigned a role to each of us. As His plan gets revealed, a faithful cooperation on our part brings about great good not only for us individually, but also for the community – the body of Christ. But the problem is that often we, like Zachariah, want proofs and confirmations. Nevertheless, the Lord is patient with us.

**DAY FOR LIFE 2018**

This year the Day for Life focuses on all those who are suffering or have survived human trafficking and modern slavery. As Pope Francis has said, "The trade in human beings violates the God given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters, and constitutes a true crime against humanity." Many people do not have life to the full because they are traded as objects and not recognised as persons. They have fallen victim to the scourge of human trafficking and modern slavery which are an assault on a person's innate human dignity. Contributions will go toward the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, as well as projects which work to protect life at every stage and condition. Further information is available on [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org) and in the leaflets available from the back of the Church.

**AUDIT OF CHURCH KEYS / NEW CHURCH KEYS**

We are undertaking 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.

**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. 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

### APF Red Boxes

It is time for the red APF money boxes to come in for the spring counting. If you have an APF box, please bring it to Mass next weekend and leave it on top of the bookcase where the hymn books are kept at the right hand side (as you look at the altar). Boxes that have been emptied are placed on the left hand bookcase ready for collection. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR NAME IS WRITTEN ON THE LABEL AT THE BASE OF THE BOX. In the past, some boxes have been handed in with no names on the base, so we don't know who to return it to! Please let Francesca Gilbert know on phone no. 07813 777408 if you have delivered a box back to the church but have not received it back.

### 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](mailto: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.

**THEOLOGY TAP**  
QUENCH YOUR SPIRITUAL THIRST

\*NEW\* MONTHLY FAITH TALKS

St Raphael's Church in Kingston/Surbiton has launched a new monthly event: "Theology on Tap. Talks on topics related to the Catholic faith will be delivered by a range of speakers from within and outside the Parish. Quench your spiritual thirst with friends in the church hall (Alexander House) over a glass of wine or other refreshment. **The next event will be from 6pm-8pm on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June when Fr. Julian, who as well as being resident in the parish, lectures in church history at St John's Seminary, Womersley**

All are welcome to attend. Donations will be invited each month to cover costs. Details of future events will be announced in due course and will aim to be scheduled for the last Sunday in each month. Please save the dates!



**SATURDAY 30 JUNE, 2PM-5PM**

**ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL  
SUMMER FAIR**

\* HUMAN TABLE FOOTBALL \* OBSTACLE COURSE \*  
\* TOTAL WIPEOUT \* PENALTY SHOOTOUT \*  
\* SWING RIDE \* EXPERIMENT STATION \*

\* BUBBLE STATION \* BOUNCY CASTLE \* BAR \* BBQ \*  
\* RAFFLE \* BOTTLE TO BOLA \* LOLLIPOP TREE \*

WWW.JUMBLEEE.CO.UK/SUMMERFAIR2018

ENTRY ON THE GATE:  
ADULTS £1, CHILDREN 50P

## "Summertime 2018"

Altar Servers  
Summer Break

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> –  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> 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  
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Swimming

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