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Newsletter for the week commencing 25th September 2025

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY (C)

Confession Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30am - 11am. He is also happy to visit those who are not able to come to church.

Children's Liturgy Children's Liturgy at the 10am Mass is on the first Sunday of every month. All children who have not made their First Holy Communion are welcome to attend. The next lesson with Lorraine is Sunday, September 7th.

Parish WhatsApp Our parish has a WhatsApp group. We will post parish events including social events, special occasions and requests for help in the parish as well as general parish news. If you would like to join, please get in touch with Fr Behr.

Father Behr writes:

Dear Parishioners

Tuesday 23 September is the feast day of St Padre Pio. Padre Pio is one of the most well known and loved saints of recent times.

For fifty years he bore the Stigmata and was renowned as a confessor and spiritual director.

Padre Pio also had the gift of sharing the Catholic faith with a depth and simplicity which touched the hearts of many people. 'Pray, hope and don't worry' is a great summary of the attitude every Christian should have when faced with the challenges of life. Padre Pio was canonized by Pope St. John Paul II on June 16, 2002.

There will be a coffee morning with Bible study after the 10am Mass on Tuesday.

Congratulations to Charlie Downs and Elena Westby who will be received into full Communion with the Church this Sunday 21 September at the 10am Mass. Bishop Paul Hendricks is coming to Confirm Charlie and Elena.

The front four pews in our church will be reserved for family and friends of Charlie and Elena.

Fr Behr

Your Prayers are asked for:

Recently deceased: Colette Ortner RIP, Philippa Carter (Nick Carter's mother) RIP, Bridget Josephine King RIP

Those ill or infirm: Sophie, Lady Wyn McWilliams, Michael Payne, Josie Payne, Roger Styles, Mary Basher, Paul Lane, Mara McDermot, Ailish Cantwell (Jones), Joe Adams, Ellie Lawrence, Patricia Hook, Pat Holland and all those who are unwell and in need of our prayers.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: John Cregan, Hugh Blake, Dorothy Whiting, Juliet O'Hea, Christine Carney, Terence Price, Tony Russel and Angela Drummond-Brady,

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Briege Josephine King RIP. The funeral service is on Monday 22 September at 11am.

Masses and services for the week (20th – 28th September), Feasts and Mass intentions.		
Saturday 20th September The Blessed Virgin Mary St Andrew Kim Tae-gun, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs	6pm Vigil Mass <i>Philippa Carter RIP</i>	Reader: Lorraine
Sunday 21st September TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY (C)	10am Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass	Reader: Frances
Monday 22nd September Feria	9.30am Mass <i>Briege King RIP</i> 11am Funeral service for of Briege King RIP	
Tuesday 23rd September St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio),	10am Mass <i>Intentions of Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart</i>	

Priest	
Wednesday 24th September Our Lady of Walsingham	No Service
Thursday 25th September Feria	9am Adoration 10am Mass <i>Donor's Intention</i>
Friday 26th September Sts Cosmos & Damian, Martyrs	10am Mass <i>Private Intention (Margaret)</i> Adoration 10.30 – 11.30am
Saturday 27th September St Vincent de Paul, Priest	6pm Vigil Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Reader: James
Sunday 28th September TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (C)	10am Mass <i>James Hepburne-Scott RIP</i> Reader: Kathy 12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass
Flowers for 27th / 28th September - Pat	

Second collection for Catholic Evangelisation this weekend.

A message from the Newsletter Editor

From next week (end of September/the month of October) the newsletter will look different. Masses, Mass Intentions, anniversaries of death and readers/flower arrangers/cleaners will be listed for the whole month. So don't throw it away!

If there are any changes (e.g. if Fr Behr is called out or the time of Mass changes due to a funeral) they will be shown on our website (www.standrewstenterden.org) and you are encouraged to check before you leave home.

The style of the newsletter will evolve gradually over the next two or three months so bear with me!

Thank you.

Pat

Parish:

Events planned for 2025 - add these dates to your diary!

Saturday 15 November will see the return of our Advent Fair

Saturday 29 November we will host a 'Potluck Supper' to celebrate the feast day of St Andrew

Diocesan

A life changing opportunity!

Do you desire to know Jesus more intimately?

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark and beyond who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy.

The course will commence on 18 October 2025 and the cost will be £400 per year. The full cost of the course, payable over 2 years is £800. In addition, registration must be completed in advance and there is a non-refundable registration fee of £50. Further details can be found

here: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

Free online Sycamore course

Growing in Faith Together for married and engaged couples beginning on the **9th September at 8pm** (4 X 1 hour session over 4 weeks) Please contact mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

1. Diocesan: **Building a Better Marriage (BABM) – Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope**
2. To celebrate Jubilee 2025 one day Building a Better Marriage events will be held during 2025. The opportunity for married couples starts at 9.30am and finishes at 4.30pm and is free to attend. Participants have noted in their evaluations: It was so great being welcomed by the team! We really enjoyed the course and learnt so much to help our marriage. To join one of these days please contact Carole on 07983 524 727 or email: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

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4 October – Holy Cross, Catford

1 November – St James the Great, Petts Wood

General or National information:

CAFOD: Response in Gaza

Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. And with your ongoing support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. You can find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at cafod.org.uk. Thank you for backing our work through holding collections for our Family Fast Day appeals and for continuing to [pray for peace](#) in the Middle East.

As Cardinal Pizzaballa (Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem) says, "Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there - crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble, and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering."

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track. Call to find out more

www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make an informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information.