



SECOND COLLECTION FOR PRIEST TRAINING FUND- Sunday 26 the April 2026 is Good Shepherd Sunday – Support Our Future Priests

The priesthood has always been at the heart of the Church. This Good Shepherd Sunday, we pray for vocations and support the Priest Training Fund, which forms men for service across our parishes, schools, hospitals, and communities. We currently have 9 seminarians, each costing around £30,000 per year over six years of formation.

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BAPTISM: We congratulate and welcome into the family of the Church **SIDNEY IAN THORBURN** who will be Baptised on Sunday 26th April 2026

We wish him and his family the joy of the Holy Spirit

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026: The next lesson is on **Saturday 9th May 2026** at 9.30am.

MASS OF INSCRIPTION: Sunday 26th April 2026, is Mass of Inscription for all Confirmation Candidates. After Mass we invite all Parish Prayer Sponsors to the Parish hall for Morning tea.

CONFIRMATION MASS Friday 1st May 2026, 6pm is **Confirmation rehearsals**. All candidates, parents and Confirmation Sponsors to attend.

Saturday 2nd May 2026, Thirty -one Candidates will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish. The **Confirmation Mass** is at 11am. **Please note there is no Saturday 10am morning Mass on that day.**

PRE-LOVED FASHION SALE: Sunday 3rd May 2026, the choir is hosting a pre-loved fashion sale after both 9am and 11.30am Mass. There will be cakes and refreshments to buy on the day. All proceeds go towards the Church Maintenance.

MISSIO: Missio is the official Pope’s charity for World Mission. A huge thank you to all our MISSIO donors as we have raised £4269.06 for Missio in 2025. Thank you for your generosity and May God Bless you all.

JOURNEY IN FAITH: We warmly invite those adults seeking Baptism/Confirmation/Holy Communion to be part our Journey in Faith group. The weekly sessions involve learning about the Catholic faith and the truth and beauty of the Gospel. If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic, please call or email the Parish office. We would love to hear from you. Please email streathamrcia@rcaos.org.uk

ROSARY FOR LIFE. Archbishop John Wilson is calling on all of us to join him in praying the Rosary for Life this May (Month of Mary). Together, we will pray through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries, each one offered for the most vulnerable facing growing threats to life: unborn children at risk of abortion, victims of war and persecution, people with disabilities, and the elderly and vulnerable. For video, audio and written versions of the Rosary for Life, visit rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife. **Pray the Rosary. Encounter Christ. Defend life.**

BAPTISM AT ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH: Baptism is a Sacrament of faith, and the Church asks for a serious and loving commitment by the parents and godparents of a child to live the life of the Sacraments. Parents wishing to baptise their child at English Martyrs Church Streatham should be living in the parish for more than 6 months. If you belong to another parish you will need to obtain a letter of permission from your parish priest. If you are new to the Parish, you can get a letter from your previous parish to say that you are a practising Catholic. Baptisms to take place on the last Sunday of every month at 2pm. The date will be confirmed once the preparation course is completed. Please collect a Baptism pack from the parish office for registration at least four weeks before the preparation date.

ENGLISH MARTYR FOR THE WEEK IS BRIAN LACEY -Brian was a lay person, not a priest or a professed member of a religious order. He was arrested and imprisoned on a number of occasions through his life for “crimes” such as distributing letters and information to Catholics and was betrayed to the authorities by his own brother. For helping a priest, Montford Scott, In prison he suffered cruel torture in a bid to obtain information about those he had visited but he refused to provide this and was hanged for this. His story reminds us that not all those who know someone who is being persecuted will have the courage defend them. We pray to God to grant us the courage to do what is right, even when that is hard and even dangerous.

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Sunday 19th April 2026 Collection

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