

PARISH NEWS

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRISTI (CORPUS CHRISTI): Sunday 7th June 2026 is the Feast of the Corpus Christi. The Corpus Christi procession will take place after the 11.30am Mass. (After the post Communion prayer) This is a Catholic tradition where the Blessed Sacrament is carried through the streets to publicly proclaim the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It's a public expression of faith and worship, often held on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The procession will start from Church, Mitcham Lane towards Ambleside Avenue, Tooting Bec Gardens Road and then back to the Church. The procession will include:

- The priest carries the Blessed Sacrament, often in a monstrance, symbolizing the presence of Christ
- Participants will sing hymns and prayers, expressing their faith and adoration.

We would like to invite everyone to join in and especially all the Children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY COMMUNION: All Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic, please note 6/7th June 2026 weekend during Mass you will be invited to renew your commitment as an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister.

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



BAPTISM: We congratulate and welcome into the family of the Church HADASSAH AINA, JAYLEN HALL, MAXIMUS MIDGLEY AND ALUX CASTILLO who will be Baptised on Sunday 31ST May 2026

We wish them and their families the joy of the Holy Spirit

SACRAMENTS: BAPTISM – 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 practising in the parish for more than 6 months. Please email the Parish office for an information pack.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026: First Holy Communion **rehearsal** is on Saturday 6th June 2026 at 10.45am. First Holy Communion Mass is on Saturday 13th June 2026 at 11am.

MARRIAGE: You need to give 6months notice. Please email the Parish office to book an appointment to see the Parish Priest

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE, JULY 11TH, AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL. If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please email before 1st June 2026, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Contact us at mfise@rcaos.org.uk As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Clapham, Beckenham.

ENGLISH MARTYR THIS WEEK: LUKE KIRBY Luke Kirby was not born to a catholic family, but converted to Catholicism and was quickly ordained a priest. He joined the priesthood knowing that this was a very dangerous calling, under the reign of Queen Elizabeth I by whose spied he was betrayed, He was sadly subjected to an unusually cruel form of torture, even by the standards of the time, known as “the scavenger’s daughter” in which the victim’s head was forced to his knees and his body compressed, before he was killed by hanging on 30 May 1582. He was canonised as a saint in 1970.

PARISH DONATIONS: If you wish to make a payment direct to our Bank Account these are the details:

A/C Name: RCAS STREATHAM A/C: 23416386 S/C: 60-20-39

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SUNDAY COLLECTION: Sunday 24th May 2026
Loose Cash £579.77 Gift Aid Envelopes £115.00 Total £ 694.77

GIFT AID – Are you registered on the Parish Scheme as yet? If you are a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid is a great way to make your donations more valuable to the Church by an extra 25% at no extra cost to you! If you like to sign please email or fill a Gift Aid form from the Porch and hand it to the priest or the parish office.

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A/C Name: RCAS STREATHAM A/C: 23416416 S/C: 60-20-39
Thank you for your generosity.

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