

PARISH NEWS



BAPTISM: We congratulate and welcome into the family of the Church **ETTA MCNAIR AND MILA MCNAIR** who will be Baptised on Sunday 28th June 2026

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

ENGLISH MARTYRS YOUTH GROUP: We are excited to announce that we are launching our Parish Youth group after the Summer school holidays. Love to invite all youth age between 12yrs -16yrs gather to build meaningful friendships, discuss real-life topics, and grow together in faith.

Youth meeting will consist of Prayer & Worship, Catechism, Community service and building friendship Our Parish motto is "That they may all be one", based on the parish motto we strive to Love God, Love others. Serve all.

Our introduction meeting is on **Saturday 4th July 2026 at 5pm** in the Parish hall. After 6.30pm Mass a Welcome Pizza supper. Initial mission team would consist The Parish priest, Catechists, Parent Volunteers, and Guest Speakers. Our aim is to provide a safe and welcoming environment to all the youth to grow together in faith

Why don't you pop in and see what we can offer you and tell us your interest are? Parents to be present.

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

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.

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

ENGLISH MARTYR THIS WEEK: RICHARD LEIGH - Richard was from a wealthy family, and as a 5-year-old child, he was the subject of an arranged marriage to the daughter of a local family. That marriage was annulled because of his age and as a young adult he studied for the catholic priesthood in Rome. On his first return to England he was arrested and sent away in exile but he returned again, at a time when anti-Catholic sentiment was running high in England and he was arrested, imprisoned and sentenced to death by hanging at Tyburn. Richard refused to renounce his faith, despite knowing well the price he would pay and we can remember his commitment and bravery when we find ourselves called upon to stand up for what is right.

THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP: A missionary from Bethlehem, The Holy Land, will visit us once again on the weekend of 11th /12th July 2026 to briefly talk about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made out of Olive Wood to help and support the poor Christian families, any help you could give to them it will be highly appreciated"

THE FIVE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH: In the church porch there are leaflets of The Five Precepts of the Church for you to take home.

NEW ROTA: The parish liturgy rotas are available in the Sacred Heart Chapel. If you like to receive it by email, please inform the Parish office.

MASS ATTENDANCE: Mass attendance is needed if you are planning to apply for Catholic Primary or Secondary School. Also, for any of the Sacraments below.

SCHOOLS: Please note if you are applying for a Catholic Primary or Secondary school where you need to get a priest's reference, the attendance card will help the Parish Priest in filling the reference form Please note signing the Mass attendance from mid-year does not give a true account of your Catholic Practise.

SACRAMENT - If you would like your child to receive any of the Sacraments below use the Mass attendance card as it from now. Not Nearer the sacrament time for the following

· Baptism · First Holy Communion · Confirmation.

All sacraments should be received with great faith and eagerness because Christ instituted the sacraments to nourish Christian life. Coming regularly to Sunday Mass helps each and every one to grow in faith, not merely coming near to the Sacrament of preparation time.

Jesus described his entire life as a mission "to bear witness to the truth". We, too, should bear witness to the truth in our words and example, and teaching our children to do the same. Do not let your faith be a tick to the Mass attendance slip, let it be a gift of God which enables you to serve God in Spirit and in truth.

SECOND COLLECTION: Peter's Pence collection that was due this weekend will be collected 4/5th July.

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

REF: Offertory/ Your surname.... For Contactless Donation: Please use the Card Machines in the Church or or the QR Code The best way to support the parish is by standing order, you can use a Standing Order form from the Church porch or email the Parish office to get one

SUNDAY COLLECTION: Sunday 21st June 2026

Loose Cash £723.20 Gift Aid Envelopes £86.02 Total £809.22

DAY FOR LIFE £296.98, Father's Day Breakfast £293.00

Thank you to Patrina for cooking last Sunday's English Breakfast. Thank you to all who came and supported. All funds raised is for Church Maintenance.

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.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE: For the up keep of the Church Maintenance

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Thank you for your generosity



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