



ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK
ST THOMAS MORE RC CHURCH
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 Archdiocese of Southwark Registered Charity No 235468
PARISH OFFICE OPEN – WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS (9.30am to 3.30pm)



26th April 2026 – 4th Sunday of Easter (A)

1st Reading Acts 2: 14, 36-41 Responsorial Psalm 23(22): 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 2nd Reading 1 Peter 2: 20-25 John 10: 1-10

SECOND COLLECTION:

Priests Training Fund

NEXT: 17/05 – World Communications Sunday

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
Sat 25 th	5:00pm	
Sun 26 th	10:00am 5:30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 27 th	-	
Tue 28 th	10:00am	
Wed 29 th	10:00am	
Thu 30 th	10:00am	
Fri 1 st	12:15pm	Adoration after Mass Private Mass Intention – Chantal Ekeuh
Sat 2 nd	5:00pm	
Sun 3 rd	10:00am 5:30pm	People of the Parish

PASTORAL TEAM
PARISH PRIEST: Fr Donatus Anosike MSP
SECRETARY: Claire Skinner
PARISH COUNCIL: Teresa Ostridge
FINANCIAL: Brian Fissenden
MAINTENANCE: Ruth Trant
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tricia Durrant
LECTORS: Charles Unter
SACRISTAN: Paula Thornton

BAPTISMS
 Baptism class on Saturday 02/05/2026 @ 12 noon.
 BAPTISM – 23/05/2026

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
 Confession - Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm

NOTE: Baptism classes are held on the first Saturday of the month.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

We will be renewing this list every week. If you wish to be kept on it or would like to add someone, please contact the Office, Fr. Donatus or add the name to the Sick List in the porch.

We offer prayers for Claire Rhoovie; Witalis Szczesiul; Tony Battock (wishing him well with his ongoing treatment); Mary & Harry Fewtrell (wellbeing); Collette Hall; Fr. Adam Szczesiul; Darren & Fiona Evans and family (wellbeing); Dee Avery; Andy Allies; for all those in need together with their families and friends; all our housebound parishioners; all in our local hospitals, hospices and care homes; all caring for others in our Parish and community; all suffering in our country and world, especially in Ukraine, the Middle East and other troubled spots.

ANNIVERSARIES

Ursula Atkins; Irene Lovell; Lily Rudenko; David Rose; Leon Fanning; Shirley Wake; Joseph Massucci; Michael Sullivan; Richard Buehrlen; Ethel McIntyre; Brian Bell; Simon Maher; Baby Niamh Nolan; Anthony Underdown; Waclaw Burek; John Calloway; Anne Caffrey; Catherine Perrin; Annie Murphy.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – The next meeting is on Sunday 3rd May in the Stable Block.

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP Next meeting is on **Monday 4th May but in our own homes.** If you would like to attend, please contact Steph Blackburn on 07977 458970 or email steph@bbits.co.uk.

STANDING ORDER/DIRECT DEBIT
 Offerings can be made by envelope, direct debit or standing order:
NAME: RCAS WEST MALLING
NATWEST A/C NO: 00711675
SORT CODE: 55-81-07

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next children's class is on Monday 27th April from 5 – 6.30pm in the **Church.**

First Holy Communion Mass

10am on Sunday 17th May

PARISH CENTRAL COMMITTEE -

Next meeting is on **Thursday 21st May 2026** - 7pm.

YOUTH GROUP - Next meeting is

COLLECTIONS – 19th April 2026

Thank you for your offerings which amounted to: -

First Collection - £186.50

Second Collection - £

SAFEGUARDING

If you wish to report any safeguarding concerns, please contact one of our representatives: -

Carol Brooker – 07762 128935

Ian Whitehead – 07866 556096

Or email westmallingsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator - 0207 261 1606

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MALLING (Posters for all events in porch.)

Please see below details of forthcoming events across the Malling district: -




I AM MARK - a dramatized performance of the Gospel of St Mark by actor Stefan Smart will take place at 7pm on Saturday 25 April in Brookfield Junior School, Larkfield. Tickets are free - please do book in advance. Refreshments will be available - donations to help cover the cost of the event would be appreciated. For tickets email iammarkctim@gmail.com (Poster + flyers in porch.)

PRAYER FESTIVAL Saturday 30th May at the St Benedict's centre in West Malling with keynote speaker Canon Dr Neville Emslie, Director of Mission and Ministry, Canterbury Diocese. More details are on the poster in the porch or on their website <https://stbenedictscentre.org/>

PRIEST TRAINING FUND SECOND COLLECTION – THIS WEEKEND

Good Shepherd Sunday – Support Our Future Priests

The priesthood has always been at the heart of the Church. On 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. Your generosity helps make their calling possible.

-  Donate online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
-  Call: 020 7960 2504 (weekdays, 9am–5pm)
-  Or use the envelopes at the back of church

Leave a lasting legacy to the Church

Please consider remembering our church or the Priesthood in your Will. Find out more: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/leave-a-legacy. Thank you for your prayers and support.

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.

Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries invite all Red Box supporters and the wider Diocesan community to come together for two important events in 2026.

St Simon Stock Church, Bleakwood Rd, Walderslade, Kent ME5 0NF

When: Saturday 6 June at 11am

Join Fr Joseph Donkor (Missio Diocesan Director for Southwark) and the Mill Hill Missionaries for Mass, followed by lunch and sharing of mission work.

St Elizabeth of Portugal Roman Catholic Church, The Vineyard, Richmond TW10 6AQ

When: Saturday, 3rd October at 11am

Join us for this special World Mission month mass with Missio National Director, Fr Anthony Chantry MHM, and Fr Joseph Donkor.

Our Mission Masses are an opportunity to hear about how missionaries share the Gospel throughout the world and how we can be missionary disciples in our own parishes. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please email redbox@missio.org.uk or visit <https://missio.org.uk/mission-masses-and-events/> for further information.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE KENT

Retrouvaille MARRIAGE SUPPORT:

From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more: www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

Beginning Experience

WIDOWED, SEPARATED AND DIVORCED Weekend 8th to 10th May 2026 at Worth Abbey, West Sussex, RH1 4SB.

Beginning Experience is a peer ministry to the widowed, separated and divorced led by trained volunteers. Their work is carried out at

GIFT-AIDERS

Boxes and envelopes still awaiting collection in the porch.

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 let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than the middle of May**, 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 mflkent@rcaos.org.uk As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. West Malling.

**** Save The Date ****
Parish Summer Party
Saturday 11th July 2026

Artificial Intelligence & Evangelisation Conference

Our Lady of the Rosary, Blackfen, are holding a National Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Evangelisation to be held on Saturday 6th June, 9:30am – 4pm, at their parish. If you would like more information please visit <https://rcai.magnicharity.org> where you can find the itinerary for the day and purchase tickets £12.00 adult, £10 student. If you would like to get involved, or sponsor in part, please contact blackfen@rcaos.org.uk
See poster & flyers in porch for further info