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PARISH OFFICE OPEN – WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS (9.30am to 3.30pm)



5th July 2026 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1st Reading Zechariah 9: 9-10 **Responsorial Psalm** 145(144): 1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13c-14 **2nd Reading** Romans 8: 9, 11-13 Matthew 11: 25-30

SECOND COLLECTION: MSP Pension, Sick & Retired Priests Fund NEXT: 12/07 Sea Sunday (Stella Maris)

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
Sat 4 th	5:00pm	
Sun 5 th	10:00am 5:30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 6 th	-	
Tue 7 th	10:00am	
Wed 8 th	-	NO MASS TODAY
Thu 9 th	10:00am	
Fri 10 th	12:15pm	Adoration after Mass
Sat 11 th	5:00pm	
Sun 12 th	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
01/08/2026
@ 12 noon.

BAPTISM –

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 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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – The next meeting is on **Sunday 5th July** in the Stable Block.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please visit the website where you will find a link for the pre-registration form for the First Holy Communion Course for 2026/2027.

YOUTH GROUP – Next meeting is on **Sunday 12th July at 2pm** for their annual **"It's a Knockout"** Fun Day.

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP Next meeting is on **Monday 13th July at 11am** in the Church Porch. If you would like to attend, please contact Steph Blackburn on 07977 458970 or email steph@bbits.co.uk.

PARISH CENTRAL COMMITTEE

- Next meeting is on 24th September - 7pm.

ANNIVERSARIES

Reader William Wrenn; Teresa Gillivan; Sheila Davies; Dorothy Patrick; Michael York-Miller; Iris Brown; Danuta Jordan; Paul Hinton; Thomas O'Sullivan; Evelyn Furver; Connor Geary; Irene Lovell; Ellen Harkin; Raynah Martin; Michael Clark; Elizabeth Veglio, Arthur Holme.

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

CASH COLLECTIONS – 28th June 2026

Thank you for your offerings which amounted to: -

First Collection - £111.00

Second Collection - £133.77

(Peter's Pence)

Contactless Payments June £655.00

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We are looking for two volunteers to help with the First Holy Communion Programme starting in October. Preparation meetings will be held before the programme starts. Please contact Chantal or email the Parish office if you are interested, or put your name and contact details on the list in the porch.

Become a CAFOD Parish Volunteer

Want to make a real difference in the world? **We offer a flexible role** with full support, and you could:

- Read a **short, pre-prepared Family Fast Day appeal talk twice a year**
- Inviting others to prayer
- Raising awareness about international development

No experience needed—just a willing heart.

Get in touch at southwark@cafod.org.uk or call 07775704546 to find out more **and be part of something meaningful.**

NEXT WEEKEND – SECOND COLLECTION – SEA SUNDAY (STELLA MARIS)

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is Sunday 12th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

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

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

The Pop-In at Abbey View House, opposite St Mary's Abbey, is now continuing, with tea/coffee and a simple lunch, on Mondays from 11am to 1pm. All are welcome.

A message from Karen Webber Team leader 1st Kings Hill

Are you free on Monday evenings? Do you enjoy spending time with young people? Could you be part of the team at 1st Kings Hill Girls' Brigade? 1st Kings Hill Girls' Brigade meets on Monday evenings at Discovery School Kings Hill. This summer, three of our volunteers are stepping down after many years of faithful service. We are looking for some new leaders to join our brilliant team of 4 remaining volunteers, and particularly to take the lead on helping with planning and supporting badge work sessions. **Sadly, without someone to take on this exciting role, we may not be able to accommodate all our girls from September.** Full training and support will be provided. You can read more about the work of the Girls' Brigade [here](#). If you'd like to find out more, or if you might be interested in getting involved, please contact Karen on 1stkingshillgb@gmail.com. We'd be delighted to hear from you. Thank you - Karen Webber – Team Leader 1st Kings Hill

A message from Rev Naomi, Chaplain to 1st Larkfield Girls' Brigade:

Dear friends, I am delighted to share some good news from 1st Larkfield Girls' Brigade. As many of you will know, we have been having some serious conversations about the future of the Company, as three of our longstanding and highly dedicated volunteers will be stepping back this summer. I am very pleased to say that, at a meeting earlier this week, we were able to finalise staffing arrangements so that **1st Larkfield GB will continue to run in September 2026, including both the younger and older sections.** I am very grateful to our team of existing volunteers – Lisa, Cathy, Ali, Emily, Becca, Georgia, Niall and Tinu – and to our new volunteers who have generously answered our cry for help, Adrian and Vicky. Welcome! Now that we have a plan for September onwards, we would love to welcome some more girls, and some more volunteers to join our brilliant team. Please share the attached invitation widely, and invite anyone interested in joining to contact larkfieldgb@gmail.com.

Every blessing, Rev Naomi, Chaplain to 1st Larkfield GB

A Day With Mary is hosting an International Symposium from 29 July to 31 July 2026 at St Mary's Catholic Church, West Croydon Further information is available at www.adaywithmary.org/symposium (Poster in porch)

Parish Summer Party - Saturday 11th July 2026

Church Garden Party & BBQ

Join us for our annual Garden Party and BBQ on Saturday, 11th July, from 1pm to 5pm in the church back garden! For more information, please see the posters in the porch or grab an event leaflet also available in the porch.

How You Can Help:

- Raffle Donations: We are still gratefully accepting gifts and items to use as raffle prizes.
- Volunteers: We'll need extra hands to make the day a success, so please feel free to step up and help out on the day!

Raffle Tickets

- Tickets are available now in the porch for £1 each. You can purchase them using cash or via the Dona machine.
- The raffle draw will take place during the party, with all proceeds going directly toward our Church Fund.

We can't wait to see you all there for a fantastic afternoon!