

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
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One of the South Battersea Churches

Newsletter

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Our Diocesan Directory: www.rcaos.org.uk/directory.
The Catholic Church in England and Wales: www.cbcew.org.uk



Year B

Fifth Week of Easter

28 April – 5 May 2024

This Sunday, 28 April there will be a **Second Collection** at each Mass to support the **upkeep of our Cathedral Church of St George. He is the patron of our diocese and Cathedral.** By donating, you will not only help maintain our Mother Church, but also support its wonderful music tradition, youth and social outreach, as well as keeping it open daily for worship and prayer. Do pay the Cathedral a visit sometime, if you have not yet done so.

Holy Masses and Intentions for the coming week

Fifth Sunday of Easter	9am	Bernadette Austen's Intentions	
Sunday 28 April	11am	Holy Souls	
	6pm	All Parishioners	
Monday 29th	10am	Fr Arthur Webb RIP (F)	Saint Catherine of Siena
Tuesday 30th	9.30am	Deceased Parishioners	
Wednesday 1 May	No Mass		<i>Saint Joseph the Worker</i>
Thursday 2nd	9.30am	Mgr Fred Hynde RIP (F)	Saint Athanasius
	7.30pm	<i>Service of Reconciliation and Mercy: 'Holy Hour', Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions</i>	
Friday 3rd	9.30am	Denis Lant RIP	Saints Philip and James
Saturday 4th	11am	Confessions	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	9am	All Parishioners	
Sunday 5 May	11am		
	6pm		

Eastertime Evening of Reconciliation and Mercy - Next Thursday 2 May

We warmly invite you with your family and children to join us for another **Evening of Reconciliation and Mercy on Thursday 2 May at 7.30pm**. Come to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), and enjoy a moment of peace, prayer and music. **'Come back to me with all your heart'**. Provision will be made to care for your younger children while you receive the Sacrament of reconciliation. **If you came to our previous services, come again this time. If you enjoyed the experience, invite others to come with you. If you couldn't come before, come along this time.**

Diocesan Youth Events

Youth Day (10 – 14-year olds) at St George's Cathedral, Saturday 11 May from 11am. £5 per child (£8 per family), payable on the day (and including lunch and dinner). During the day there will be a range of opportunities,

from learning more about the Catholic faith through catechesis and adoration. to fun with friends through crafts and sport. All are welcome. For more information and to book, visit: [this web page](#).

Young Adult Events: St George's Cathedral hosts a monthly Young Adult Mass at 6:00 pm on the first Sunday of every month, followed by a social gathering (for those aged 18+). There are also weekly events and socials on Thursday evenings. Details can be found on the [RCAOS website](#), Facebook, and Instagram @stgeorgesya.

Flame 2025 Flame is the largest Catholic youth event in the UK, featuring guest speakers, award-winning musicians, praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and much more! The event is open to those from school year 9 to university age. The Archdiocese has purchased a block booking – book at www.tinyurl.com/flame25

Intentions for our Easter Prayer

Pray for Peace. Please pray fervently for a real and lasting ceasefire in the Holy Land, and a lasting peace with justice for all who live there – for an end to the the starvation, killing, wounding, and trauma of innocents, and the terrible and unnecessary destruction of people's homes and livelihoods in Gaza.

Pray also for peace with justice for Ukraine, and an end to Russia's violent and unjust war: for all who have died, been injured, or are bereaved; for Ukrainian refugees here and across Europe.

Pray for Peace in the many other troubled places across our world including: Afghanistan, Armenia and Azerbaijan, Cameroun, Chad, China, Colombia, Ethiopia, Haiti, Hong Kong, Mali, Myanmar, Nigeria, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Thailand, Yemen.... and so many other places where the innocent are caught up in the violent power struggles of others.

And for Christians who are facing persecution in so many parts of the world today, notably in India, Pakistan and Nigeria, and some countries in the Far East.

Pray for the Pope's Intention in April, for women: Let us pray for the role of women. We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world. Pray along with Pope Francis himself: just click on [the Pope Video](#).

Pray for our student parishioners who are preparing for important exams in the coming weeks.

Pray for the young children who will receive Holy Communion for the first time on 12 May.

And for our sick and housebound: Rosemary Awere, Ambrose Caldecott, Mario and Mariana Cassar, Rose Egan, George Giannoukakis, Henry Holtz, Lorna Jayamanne, Joy Joseph, Betty Kilkelly, Becky Kumoji, Pamela Meade, Giuseppe and Giuseppina Morreale, Lorna Phaure, Bernard and Iris Ramsey, Gus Twycross-Hills, and all other sick or housebound parishioners; and for parishioners' elderly parents and sick relatives.

Please Support your Parish Financially

Thank you for your donations last Sunday, and to support the Training of your future priests.

- **A GIFT-AIDED BANK STANDING ORDER is the most effective way to donate regularly.** Please ask us for details.
- **Always GIFT AID YOUR OFFERING please. Gift Aiding by UK taxpayers makes an indispensable contribution** for it adds 25% to your donations from tax you already pay.
- You can **GIFT AID ANY DONATION**, including Offerings for Masses, as long as you indicate your wish to do so: by using a special Gift Aid envelope and include your contact details (find them in the containers on the Church wall); and you can register your card donations for Gift Aid when using the Card Readers.
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 - Sort Code:** 50-21-01 Nat West, Clapham Junction Branch
 - Account Number:** 82117209
 - Account Name:** RCAS Battersea Altenburg Gardens
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- You can **DONATE DIRECTLY using the Parish JustGiving page** (also on our website); please Gift Aid any donation.
- We have a **'DONATE BUTTON' on our website** allowing you to donate directly. This, too, can be Gift-Aided.
- If you **SHOP ONLINE** and start out from our [Easyfundraising Page](#) you can raise donations for the parish from some 4700 online retailers *at no additional cost to you*.