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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK					
Saturday 8th February	Fifth Sunday of the Year C				
6.30pm	Liam and Julia Lynch RIP				
Sunday 9th February	Fifth Sunday of the Year C				
8.30am	Monica Linnett RIP				
10.00am	James Phillips RIP	Children's Liturgy			
11.30am	Linda Charker RIP				
Monday 10th February	Saint Scholastica, Virgin, Memorial.				
9.30am	George and Eliz Ellwood RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group			
Tuesday 11th February	Our Lady of Lourdes				
9.30am	Peter and Mary Seery RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass			
Wednesday 12th February	Feria				
9.30am	Bill, Cissie and Donald Haggett RIP	Coffee Morning			
Thursday 13th February	Feria				
9.30am	Rev. Robert Ellwood RIP				
Friday 14th February	Saint Valentine, Priest and Martyr.	10am-12noon Exposition of the			
9.30	Tony and Kristina Beak RIP	Blessed Sacrament			
Saturday 15th February	The Blessed Virgin Mary	8.45am Morning Prayer			
9.30 am	Peter Griffin RIP	9.00am Rosary			
12.30pm	Baptism Romeo Mark Fogarty				

Collection	2nd February 2025		
Cash	£545.46		
Gift Aid	£325		
Total	£870.46	Next collection	Clergy Support Fund
Monthly Standing Order	£4707		

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

Baptism preparation course for parents will now take place on the first Monday of every month at 7pm.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

PRAYER REQUESTS - If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR - For those who have died recently: Fred Baker, Bienvenido Gacayan Vallecer, John Francis Maloney, Kingson Onyebuchi Nmereole and those who are in poor health: Ella Duncan.

THE ROMERO ROSARY - Praying the Mysteries of Faith with Our Lady & St Oscar Romero by Archbishop John Wilson - Book Launch Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 6.30pm. Amigo Hall, adjacent to St George's Cathedral, Southwark, South London. Refreshments and Presentation by the Archbishop. Published by Pauline Books - ISBN: 9781904785866. Books available at www.PaulineUK.org

A DAY WITH MARY - Is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 1st March 2025 (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at https://www.adaywithmary.org/ or https://eventcatholic.com/

CLERGY SUPPORT FUND 2ND COLLECTION - 22ND and 23RD FEBRUARY

The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much. They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones. Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have done for parishes. You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible; please be generous with a gift to the Clergy Support Fund. Donate Online: https://rcaos.org.uk/donate/csf. Thank you for your generosity.

100 CLUB WINNERS

MONTH	£75	£50	£25	£10
DECEMBER	J. Brooker	M. Kadi	J. Martin	S. Trealy
JANUARY	S. Sadlier	N. Wells	C. Carr	E. Duncan

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to join our wonderful teams to help with the running of the Children's Liturgy group and the Wednesday morning coffee group. If interested, please email Catherine Culbert - cathculbert@gmail.com

ST. PETER CHANEL SCHOOL PRAYER GARDEN - The School are looking for volunteers to help create a prayer garden in the playground for children to visit for quiet reflection. They need volunteers and it would be helpful if you could bring your own cutting/gardening tools. See the poster on the notice board for details.

SIDCUP ROTARY CLUB - They are holding a quiz for the benefit of Mercy Ships (see link below) at Sidcup Sports Club on Friday 21st February 7pm. Tickets £10pp; bring your own nibbles; drinks to be purchased at the bar. Tickets from Arthur Maxted (email: arthurmaxted19@aol.com) www.mercyships.org.uk.

CALL FOR CATECHISTS - We are looking for a new catechist to help with our Confirmation program next year. If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information and an application form. Thank you!

PARISH FILM NIGHT - Our next film night is on Friday 14th February. Please come along and join fellow parishioners for a social evening. Arrive from 7pm for refreshments provided by us and film starts at 7.30. Please see poster at the back of the church for further details. Look forward to seeing you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10am SUNDAY MASS

The Children's Liturgy dates for the Spring term 2025 are as follows: March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th.

REPOSITORY - The Repository is open after the Sunday 8.30am Mass until 11.30am and during the Wednesday coffee mornings.

TRUSSELL FOODBANK THANK YOU - I wanted to say a big thank you to all the parishioners for the response to the recent monthly appeals for the local Foodbank. There has been a huge increase in donations from the parish, which is very much appreciated. Please do continue to use the Green Bins at the rear of the church for your weekly donations, which are being placed outside the church on a monthly basis to remind parishioners to donate if they feel able. Please remember that we are not able to accept fresh food donations. Should you want any further information then do not hesitate to contact me. Nick Wells 07986 348013 nickjohnwells@hotmail.com.

SAINT LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND - Donations can be made via our **new website** <u>www.stlcf.org.uk</u> or in an envelope marked SLCF donation, handed into the Parish office. Thank you for your support.

SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESE ROSARY PRAYER PROJECT - Everyone is warmly invited to join this Archdiocesewide prayer initiative, praying a decade of the Rosary each day for priests and parishes in their deanery.