



CATHOLIC PARISH OF  
**ST. ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL**  
*Newsletter*

Twenty Fifth Sunday

22nd September 2019

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## End of Summer Celebration

We are very much looking forward to the Boat trip next Saturday. Do you have your tickets yet?

Appropriately, this *farewell to summer* celebration will take place aboard a boat called the Queen Elizabeth. We don't want you to miss it so please take note of the following details:

**When?** Next Saturday, 28th September.

**Where?** The Queen Elizabeth will embark and disembark from the Pier, just next to the Gaucho Restaurant on the Riverside Towpath, Richmond.

**Time?** We begin boarding at 7.00pm and leave promptly at 7.15pm (if you are late you will have literally 'missed the boat'!).

**Ending?** The boat will arrive back for disembarkation at about 10.00pm.

**Food:** Your ticket price includes an onboard BBQ.

**Drink:** it also includes a complimentary drink as you arrive. Further drinks can be bought at the boat's cash only bar (no credit cards).

**Raffle:** we will have an onboard raffle and are inviting donations to be given as prizes. Bottles, chocolates, gift boxes and the like are all welcome. Thanks for your support.

We are very grateful to Mike Hough who has done all the hard work organising this event. Let's pray for fine weather!

In other news, this week we begin another **Alpha** series. As always we start with a

taster session. This gives us a chance to invite friends to "come and see" without any obligation to stay for the duration of the whole course.

It helps us to know approximately how many people are coming (because we start with a meal). On the next page there are details of how you can let us know via our parish website.

We hope that each of our parishioners will invite someone to Alpha here at St Elizabeth's. We also ask all of you to pray for all the leaders and participants: let's really storm heaven over the next few weeks!

As always, thank you for joining us at St Elizabeth's for Mass this weekend. It is good to have you here.

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## *Parish Life & News*

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### **Alpha**

#### *Whom will you invite?*

Our next season of Alpha begins on Tuesday 24th September with a “**Come & See**” session. This is a no-commitment taster session for anyone who would like to find out more about Alpha and whether or not they would find it helpful. There’s no pressure on anyone to come back again.

Alpha begins with a great meal at 7.00pm, after which there is a short presentation (about 20 minutes) followed by a chance for discussion. Simply for the purposes of catering it helps us have some idea of how many people are attending.

You can sign up through the link on the parish website:

[www.stelizabethschurch.org.uk/alpha](http://www.stelizabethschurch.org.uk/alpha)

### **Local History Walk:**

There will be another Catholic History Walk on Tuesday October 1st, starting 6.30pm at St Elizabeth's. Learn about Richmond's history: Tudors, trials, and a timely saint - the walk will finish at John Henry Newman's family home at Ham. All welcome. Suggested donation: £10. More info on [www.catholichistorywalks.com](http://www.catholichistorywalks.com).

### **Fancy a Cuppa?**

The COFFEE BAR in the crypt after the 9.30 Sunday Mass is recruiting. Our teams work on a rota of about every 5 to 6 weeks. They serve tea, coffee and soft drinks. The proceeds go to CAFOD. Above all, they provide a meeting point and social focus for all after the family Mass. Ask at the bar or contact: [alinejcook@hotmail.com](mailto:alinejcook@hotmail.com)

### **Prayers Please**

This month we have submitted an application for a grant for £25,000 to enable us develop our family ministries here in the parish which would be 75% of what we need to raise. Please pray that the application will be successful and that as a parish we will be able to raise the remaining 25%.

### **Songs of the Sea**

12th October 2019

St Mary's Parish Church, Twickenham, at 7.30pm. Elizabeth Benedetto (mezzo contralto) and Jon Booth (piano) present a programme of French and English romantic song inspired by waves and tides. Tickets available at: [www.jonbooth.co.uk](http://www.jonbooth.co.uk). John is our parish organist and we warmly recommend this concert to you.

### **Remember a Charity in Your Will Week**

**9th - 15th September 2019**

Your will can make a lasting difference to the Catholic community here in Richmond. Did you know that you can leave more than just money to your favourite charity? Your property and even your jewellery can be gifted. A gift to St Elizabeth's is also exempt from Inheritance Tax.

Please remember us in your will.

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### **Mother's Prayers**

A Mothers Prayers group will be held every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month (in term time) in the Crypt of the Church. The next meeting is this Friday 27 September. We gather from 9:00am, to begin prayer at 9:15am and to finish by 10:00am, which allows those who choose to attend the Friday 10am Mass. Mothers and children of all ages are welcome.

### **Parish Lunch Club**

Our next parish lunch club will be at 12.30pm on Tuesday 1st October in the crypt of the church. All welcome. Please invite your friends. A wonderful three course lunch is served for £7.50 with all proceeds going to SPEAR.

### **Catholic History Walks**

**'Thomas, Treason and Testimony'.  
Tuesday, 24th September, 6.30pm.**

The story of heroic St Thomas More, as we walk around his Chelsea Estate.

Meet at Holy Redeemer Church, Cheyne Row SW3 5HS. Nearest Tube: Sloane Square.

### **Bio-Ethics Talk**

On Tuesday 24th September at the Church of St Thomas Aquinas, Ham, Michael Wee from the Anscombe

Bioethics Centre in Oxford, will be giving a talk on the scientific approach to the ethics of human life both at the beginning of life and in old age.

This meeting is open to all – There is a Mass at 7 pm (Ordinariate Rite), Supper 7.30 pm (Free of charge – all welcome), Talk and discussion at 8 pm – finish by 9.15 pm.

### **School References**

It will soon be that time of year again! Please do NOT use Calendly (see below) for school references. Fr Stephen will set aside a number of evenings and a morning to sign references. Please remember that to give a reference **we need to have a record of your Mass attendance.** During term there are sign on slips available at all the Masses each weekend.

### **Natural Fertility Matters**

For more information about natural ways to achieve or space out pregnancy please visit: [www.naturalfertilitymatters.com](http://www.naturalfertilitymatters.com) or call Freda McMahon on 07887 676 923 for a free and confidential consultation. Natural Family Planning can also help women prone to miscarriages.

### **Making An Appointment with Fr Stephen**

#### ***Calendly - the online Diary***

The process is simple: just visit the website:

**<https://calendly.com/frstephenlangridge>**

There you will be able to see his availability up to twenty one days in advance and book either a fifteen or thirty minute appointment. There is also the option of booking an appointment to discuss a wedding.

## Thank You

Thank you for your offering last week which came to:

Gift Aid	£274.00
Non-Gift Aid	£676.59
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£950.59</b>

The second collection for the Bishops' Conference Home Mission appeal came to £204.32.

## Mass Attendance Last Week:

Sat. 5:30pm	103
Sun. 9.30am	128
Sun. 11.00am	87
Sun. 5.30pm	195
<b>Total:</b>	<b>513</b>

## Social Media



[stelizabethschurch.org.uk](http://stelizabethschurch.org.uk)

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## Mass Intentions this Week

### Saturday

5:30pm

### Sunday

9:30am

11:00am

5:30pm

### Monday

9.00am

### Tuesday

9.00am

### Wednesday

9.00am

### Thursday

7.00pm

### Friday

10:00am

### Saturday

5:30pm

### Sunday

9:30am

11:00am

5:30pm

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday

John Roderick Seagrave RIP

Fr Gregory Moore RIP

Pro Populo

Bridie O'Grady RIP

### St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Dec'd members of O'Brien Family

### Our Lady of Walsingham

Carl Booth RIP

### Feria

Michael O'Brien's Intentions

### Ss Cosmas & Damian

Fr Martin O'Brien RIP

### St Vincent de Paul

Fr Gerry O'Brien RIP

### Twenty-Sixth Sunday

Ernest Dureke RIP

Pro Populo

Dec'd members of O'Brien Family

Jack Lindley

### Please Pray for:

Margaret Moore, Judiel Valdez, Juliana Ditsche, Ava Borsley, Christopher Browne, Gaye Delanghe, Ben Horgan, Ella Dale, Stella Richards, Sha Smith, Anne Wilkinson, Peter Connor.

**Confessions:** After each weekday Mass and Saturdays 4.45pm-5.15pm.

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