



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 15TH OCTOBER 2023

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)
Fr Michael Etuka (Ass. Priest)
Fr Sylvester Oyeka, CSSp (Ass. Priest)
Fr James Yakubu, MSP (Ass. Priest)
Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon)
Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary)

SUNDAY READINGS

Parish Mass Book:
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Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY YEAR A. pp 140-143

LEGION OF MARY: Senior Presidium meeting takes place on Saturdays at 3:30pm in the Parish Room. **Junior Presidium** meeting takes place on Sundays after the 9:15am Mass in the Vailankanni Hall. New members are welcome.

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA PRAYER GROUP: Prayer meeting is held every Tuesday after the 10:00am Mass.

ST MARY'S PURGATORIAL GROUP: Prayer meeting is held every Thursday in the Parish Room at 7:30pm. Contact 07866831016.

OUR LADY OF REPARATION CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL GROUP: Charismatic Prayer meeting is held every Friday after the evening Mass.

CAR PARKING: If you park your car on our premises while visiting the church or the parish office Monday to Friday, you **MUST** register your car registration details in the electronic pad to avoid getting a parking penalty ticket.

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Sonny Sylvester D'Souza, Edward Fregedo, Kevin Quinn, Mavis Roach, and Sharon Samaru. May they rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal High Priest. **Amen**

KNOW YOUR FAITH: You are invited to our weekly Know Your Faith sessions holding on Mondays at the Parish Centre from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Feel free to come and spend time with other parishioners as we explore the Bible and Catechism.

THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL – VACANCIES

We are currently looking to appoint the following:
Chaplain (full-time, term time only)
Clerk to Governing Board (part-time) Please visit the school's website for more information. <https://www.johnfisherschool.org/our-school/career-opportunities>

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

World Apostolate of Fatima: 14/15 October

MISSIO: 21/22 October

NEW BEGINNINGS: For those who have suffered a divorce

PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00pm (Saturday);

8am, 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm, 3:00pm & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: 10am; 12:10pm & 6.45pm

Saturday: 10am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Wednesday 12:45pm – 6:30pm; Sat. 10:45am – 12noon; Sun. 4pm-5.30pm

CONFESSION: Saturdays 10:30-11:30am; 6pm – 6:45pm and at call.

ROSARY: 9.30am (Monday—Friday)

INFANT BAPTISM: Second & Fourth Saturdays of the month. This is strictly for infants as the designation goes. And parents of such babies must be practising Catholics, hence the need to show evidence of Catholic faith practice at the point of arranging the baby's baptism. Meet with a priest to obtain the application form during parish surgery times.

PLANNING TO GET MARRIED? If you are thinking of getting married at St Mary's it would be a good idea first to meet with one of the priests in the parish and discuss your requirements and the arrangements to be made. You need to give 6 months notice for your marriage so that all documentation and marriage preparation courses can be arranged. Look up for Parish Surgery days to discuss your plans with a priest.

PARISH SURGERY: For signing of school forms, seeing a priest to begin the process of getting married, planning for infant baptism, etc, visit the Parish Office **ONLY** on Tuesdays and Fridays: 9:00am to 12:30pm and 2:00pm to 4:30pm

PARISH CATECHETICAL PROGRAMME

FIRST COMMUNION: Registration for First communion 2024 has closed. Parents will receive email in the coming days with instructions concerning what comes next.

CONFIRMATION: Every Friday from 6 to 8pm.

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults preparatory session is held on Wednesdays in the parish hall from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. Are you or anyone you know interested in embarking on an active Christian faith journey, in making a return to faith, or needing to prepare for Confirmation as an adult? email us at rciacroydon@gmail.com or just come along to the parish hall on a Wednesday evening.

INFANT BAPTISM COURSE FOR PARENTS: First Thursday of the month at 7:30pm (by arrangement).

PRAYER MEETINGS

or separation or the death of their spouse, this Beginning Experience residential weekend will help provide healing. It's on October 13-15 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. For details ring Maura on 07795 498445 or email besoutho-fengland@gmail.com.

PROMOTING RACIAL AND CULTURAL INCLUSION IN OUR PARISHES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES: This seminar will take place at the Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Southwark, from 9:30am to 4.00pm on Saturday 28 October 2023. To register for the seminar use the link: <https://forms.microsoft.com/e/1G3Dvs124W>. Registration is free. For more information, please write to: racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

From 21st to 28th October 2023. Itinerary include Lourdes and Nevers. All travel by luxury air-conditioned coach. 1 night in Paris, 4 nights in Lourdes and 1 night in Nevers. Cost per person sharing is £650; Single room is £825. Contact Diane Brelu 07951194036.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We need adult Catholics to give their time and knowledge in guiding our children as we plan to begin our Sunday Children's Liturgy/Sunday School. Send a note to the parish email address which is on the front page of the newsletter to register your interest.

NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE (NVPS): We shall welcome to our parish the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the Relics of Saints Jacinta & Francisco this weekend 14-15 October 2022. Events would begin at 9:40am on Saturday 14th and last throughout the day to be concluded on Sunday with the 6pm Mass. Parishioners are invited to this rededication of our parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Those who wish to be invested with the Brown Scapular to please attend.

MISSIO RED BOXES: Please, take home one box per family, fill it up with all your spare coins and notes and hand it over to one of the priests in our parish. Donations from these boxes go towards supporting the work of the Church throughout the world.

APPEAL FOR THE HOMELESS: St Vincent de Paul society & Croydon Nightwatch hold a joint **APPEAL FOR THE HOMELESS.** Items needed are: Tea bags, soup tins (not packets) canned food, fruits, milk, vegetable, fish and meats, as well as shampoos and toothpastes. Collection dates are 14th and 21st October 2023 at St Mary's Church.



Hold on tightly to the ROSARY. Be very grateful to the Madonna because it was she who gave us Jesus. Love our Lady and make her loved; always recite the Rosary and recite it as often as possible.
- St Padre Pio

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL:

Nursery and Reception entry September 2024 closing date is 12th January 2024.

OPEN DAY (by appointment through the school office 020 8688 2891) on Tuesday 14th November 2023.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS:

Malcolm Fernando is organising Christmas Raffle in the Parish. The Raffle is to support youth training in the Parish as well as the Catholic Charities such as ACN, CAFOD,

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15th October: 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am Rosemonde Lane, RIP
9:15am Lucas, Ubaldina, Sylvia & Amon De Souza, RIP
10:45am Jake Llewellyn, RIP
12:15pm Pro Populo
3:00pm Mr & Mrs Ogunsola, RIP
6:00pm Pro Populo

Monday 16th October: ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, Feast

10:00am Cynthia Okafor: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Anne France, RIP
6:45pm Ema De Conceicao Rodrigues Jesus, RIP

Tuesday 17th October: ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, Mem.

10:00am Oscar Fernandes: In thanksgiving
12:10pm **FUNERAL:** Sonny D'Souza, RIP
6:45pm Dominic Burelle, RIP

Wednesday 18th October: ST LUKE, Evangelist, Feast

10:00am Joshua: 1st Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Edna Maria Joseph, RIP
6:45pm Souls in Purgatory

Thursday 19th October: Feria

10:00am Eslinda Pereira: Journey Mercies
12:10pm Maria Vaz, RIP
6:45pm Chidi Ezeh: Birthday thanksgiving

Friday 20th October: Feria

10:00am Rita D'Cruz, RIP
12:10pm Patricia Gunaratnam, RIP
6:45pm Holy Souls

Saturday 21st October: THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00am Deceased members of De Souza & Pinto Families, RIP
7:00pm Shirley Nash: In thanksgiving

MISSIO, Seminary Fund & Diocesan clergy Support Fund. He requests for volunteers to sell raffle tickets. They should contact him on 075 05 011 249

FEAST OF ST JUDE IN FAVERSHAM: October 28 & 29. Call 01795539214 or email shrineoffice@stjudeshrine.org.uk or visit www.stjudeshrine.org.uk for more information.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

14th to 15th October: Visit of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

26th October: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7:30pm

31st October: All Hallows Night starting with Mass at 7pm and with socials in the hall

1st November: All Saints Day: Masses at 8, 10, 12:10 & 7pm

2nd November: All Souls Day: Masses as on November 1

11th November: Parish Memorial Day starting with Mass at 10am and concluding with Visit to the Cemeteries.

14th November: 12:10pm Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy

18th November: Confirmation Mass by Canon Gerard Bradley at 7pm

27th November: Fr Patrick's 30th Anniversary Mass at 6:45pm followed by reception.

2nd December: A Day with Mary

13th December: Parish Xmas Dinner for the Seniors