



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH (ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) 25 JANUARY 2026

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)
Fr James Yakubu, MSP (Ass. Priest)
Fr Leszek Szadowski (Ass. Priest)
Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon)
Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary)
Robert Haddad (Lead Catechist)
Yen Vu (Parish Safeguarding Rep)

SUNDAY READINGS

Parish Mass Book:
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Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – A Pp 127-130

PARISH SCHEDULE

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

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

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

Saturday: 10am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday & Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 5:30pm – 6:30pm; Wednesday 12:45pm – 6:30pm; Sat. 10:45am – 12noon; Sun. 4pm–5.30pm

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

ROSARY: 9.30am (Monday–Friday)

VESPERS: Sunday 5:15pm & Wednesday 6:15pm

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: Every Saturday at 10:15am

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 night. The sessions resume from the 4th of February 2026.

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

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.

PRAYER MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY MEETINGS:

Senior Praesidium (Our Lady Morning Star) Saturdays at 3:30pm in the Parish Room.

Senior Praesidium (Our Lady Virgin Most Powerful) Sundays at 10:30am in the Parish Centre

Junior Praesidium 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.

THE LIFE ASCENDING GROUP: Meets in the Parish Room after 10am Mass on Wednesdays to grow in the love of God and each other.

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.

ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP: We welcome all young people to join our youth group for ages 12-18. We want to try and encourage more young people to take an active role in the church and have fun with others their age. There will be a range of activities such as movie nights, sports day and other activities which can be chosen by members. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month after 12:15 mass. For any extra information please email: stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com

THE KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA: Meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month at 8:00pm in the parish room

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift 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

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Stephen Chukwuma, Mary Madigan, Joyce De Souza, Roseline Ejaife, Richard Kalu, Eleanor Trier, Joan O'Connor, Remedios Parinas, Peter Kitara, Micheal Williams, Jobin Matthews, Tong Van Tran 'Michael', Constantino Godinho, Michael Eugene Maguire, Rajan Raman and Dr Maria Sy-Onwuka. May they rest in peace, Amen.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

02 February: Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-Elect Gerard Bradley. St George's Cathedral at 12:30pm. There shall be only 2 Masses here in the parish on that day: at **9:30am** and **6:45pm**. (NO 12:10pm Mass).

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY:

This Sunday, the Archdiocese appeals for a generous donation towards the repair of St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: 1 FEBRUARY

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:

PARISH GIVING: We are grateful for all you do to support the parish. Setting up a Standing Order is the most efficient way to make a donation to the parish without incurring fees. You can use the following details for one-off donations or set up a Standing Order: NatWest Bank; **Account Name: RCAS Croydon West. Account Number: 36004219 Sort Code: 60-50-01** If you are a taxpayer, you can **PLEASE** sign up for Gift-Aid at no extra cost to you.

GIFT AID GIVING For those of you who left your email details regarding Gift Aid giving and have not heard from the Parish Office, could you kindly email the office directly and the form will be sent. Not all email addresses were clear and may not have been delivered. croydonwest@rcaos.org.uk

TAP TO GIVE: Use the contactless terminals available in the church to donate. Just tap your card or phone to make a donation. Don't forget to sign up to Gift Aid. May God bless your generous hearts.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: The Life in the Spirit Seminar is here again! If you missed the last two, there is another opportunity for you to wake up from slumber and get active with the Fire of the Holy Spirit. 2026 Seminar will take place between 6 February and 17 April. Forms for registration are available at the back of the church. Fill and drop your form in the box also at the back of the church.

UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

LOURDES: 15 April - 19 April, 2026

DIVINE MERCY: 28 May - 02 June, 2026

FATIMA: 01 July - 06 July, 2026

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MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 25 January: 3rd Sunday in Ord. Time — Year A

8:00am	Oksana Fernandes: 21st Birthday T/G
9:15am	Maureen Onyenakasa, RIP
10:45am	For the Haran family
12:15pm	Pro Populo
3:00pm	Maria Sy-Onwuka, RIP
6:00pm	Kevin Staunton, RIP

Monday 26 January: Sts Timothy & Titus, Bishops

10:00am	Joyce De Souza, RIP
12:10pm	Ingrid Philomena Nurse, RIP
6:45pm	Megan Vaz - Wellbeing

Tuesday 27 January: Feria

10:00am	Antonio Joaquim Scarlet, RIP
12:10pm	The Intentions of the Keegan Family
6:45pm	Mettle & Jini Tomey, T/G

Wednesday 28 January: St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor

10:00am	Eslinda Pereira: T/G
12:10pm	Michael Tong Van Tran, RIP
6:45pm	Morteza Fazeli Niaki: Wellbeing

Thursday 29 January: Feria

10:00am	Holy Souls
12:10pm	Michael Tong Van Tran, RIP
6:45pm	Benedicta Olupitan: B/day & Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving

Friday 30 January: Feria

10:00am	Gabriel Omeiza Yakubu, RIP
12:10pm	Mary Madigan, RIP
6:45pm	Holy Souls

Saturday 31 January: ST JOHN BOSCO, Priest, Memorial

10:00am	Maureen Onyenakasa, RIP
7:00pm	Beatrice Sudsbury: Birthday T/G

CALLED TO BEAR FRUIT: Called to Bear Fruit consultation response published. Thank you to the thousands of people who took part in the Called to Bear Fruit consultation. We are grateful to you all for sharing so openly your hopes for the life of the Church in our Archdiocese. The consultation response, which includes 15 actions points for renewal, is available at rcaos.org.uk/calledtobearfruit and hardcopies have been sent to every parish. The consultation revealed a burning desire within our parishes to be missionary and evangelising disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, who work together to help people encounter His love. So, as we move forward on the next steps together, let's build up the Body of Christ in Southwark with faith and confidence, becoming ever more a community of missionary disciples filled with joy and hope for the future.