



# OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (YEAR A) 29 MARCH 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:  
Order of Mass: Page 6  
*Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION – A Pp 176-189*

just come along to the parish hall on a Wednesday night.

**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 ACTIVE YOUTH (SMAY):** We welcome all young people to join our youth group from ages 12-18. We want to try and encourage more young people to take an active role in the church, develop confidence, character, leadership skills, and a deeper relationship with God. There will be a range of activities such as movie nights, sports day and other activities which can be chosen by members. Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. For any extra information please

email: [stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com](mailto: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

### PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Mgr Philip Hoteyin, Fr. Padraig Faughnan, Rosaline Blake, Joan O'Connor, Remedios Parinas, Jobin Mat-

### 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

**CONFIRMATION:** Every Friday from 6:15 to 8:30pm

**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: [rciacroydon@gmail.com](mailto:rciacroydon@gmail.com) or

thews, Tong Van Tran, Constantino Godinho, Michael Eugene Maguire, Rajan Raman, Marisa Punzalan, Sriskantharajah Satheskumar, Beverly Williams, Adela Oakley, Catherine Grier and Christopher Raganayagam. May they rest in peace, Amen.

#### 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

**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.

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**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 if you are a taxpayer. May God bless your generous hearts.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR:** The Life in the Spirit Seminar is here again! It takes place every Friday evening after Mass from 6 February to 17 April. 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.

#### THE ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS

This popular annual event will take place at St George's Cathedral on July 11 at 3pm. Couples celebrating special anniversaries this year - their first, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later anniversary - are invited to apply for places. They will then receive a personal invitation to the Mass from Archbishop John Wilson and have an opportunity to renew their marriage vows. Apply to: [mflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk)

#### HOLY WEEK & EASTER

**Sunday 29th March: Palm Sunday:** Sunday Masses as usual

**Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st:** Normal Weekday programme

**Wednesday 1st April:** Mass at 9am ONLY. *Penitential Service and Confessions in the evening @6. Endeavour to use this opportunity of visiting priests to make us of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.*

**Thursday 2nd April: Mass of the Lord's Supper:** 5:30 & 7:30pm with Watching until Midnight

**Friday 3rd April: Passion Service @ 3pm**

**Saturday 4th April: Easter Vigil @8:30pm**

#### EASTER OFFERINGS:

Your Easter offerings are your personal gift to the Priests. Thank you ever so much for your generous giving. You may use the envelopes at the back of the church or the card machines, but please, gift-aid your donation if you are a taxpayer so the parish can benefit from returns from HMRC.

**SPECIAL APPEAL FOR GOOD FRIDAY:** Due to our limited

#### MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

##### Sunday 29 March: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: A

8:00am Inacio Xavier Fernandes: In thanksgiving  
9:15am Angelos & Jack: Healing & Wellbeing  
10:45am Joaquim Fernandes, RIP  
12:15pm Headley Davis, RIP & Alita Joan Baptist, RIP  
3:00pm Janet Ikeme, RIP  
6:00pm Missa Pro Populo

##### Monday 30 March: MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

10:0am Nam Ann Vu: Safe Operation/Healing  
12:10pm Wimalabaj Gunaratnam, RIP  
6:45pm In honour of St Martin de Porres

##### Tuesday 31 March: TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

10:00am Titus Fernandes, RIP  
12:10pm Holy Souls  
6:45pm Pam Hamilton: Thanksgiving

##### Wednesday 01 April: WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

9:00am Widad Haddad, RIP  
12:10pm NO MASS  
6:00pm PENITENTIAL SERVICE/CONFESSIONS

##### Thursday 02 April: MAUNDY THURSDAY

10:00am Office of Readings & Lauds  
5:30pm Priests of the Parish & Vocations  
7:30pm Adebukola Iloba: In thanksgiving

##### Friday 03 April: GOOD FRIDAY

9:00am Office of Readings & Lauds  
10:15am Children's Stations of the Cross  
3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion  
5:30pm Stations of the Cross in Malayalam  
7:00pm Stations of the Cross  
8:30pm Vigil of the Cross with Taize Music

##### Saturday 04 April: Feria

10:00am Office of Readings & Lauds  
11:00pm Blessing of Easter foods  
12:00pm RCIA Rehearsal  
1:30pm Altar Servers' Rehearsal  
8:30pm Easter Vigil of the Resurrection

##### Sunday 05 April: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

8:00am Priests of the Parish & Vocations  
9:15am Missa Pro Populo  
10:45am Angelica & Rosario Raccio-Byarugaba: In thanksgiving & Good Health  
12:15pm Charles Louis Quist, RIP (2nd Anniversary)  
Edna Santos, RIP  
3:00pm Eric Callus: 60th Birthday  
6:00pm Tamazine Anthony, RIP

##### Monday 06 April: Monday in the Octave of Easter

10:00am Joan O'Connor, RIP  
**NO OTHER MASSES ON THIS BANK HOLIDAY.  
CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED AFTER 10AM MASS.**

parking facilities, we kindly ask all parishioners who are able to travel by bus, train, tram, or on foot to please do so and avoid driving to church on Good Friday. This will help reserve the available parking spaces for our elderly parishioners and those with limited mobility.

Once the church reaches full capacity, there will be **no gathering at the doors**. Additional seating will be provided in the Parish Centre, where the celebration will be **livestreamed**, the **Veneration of the Cross** will take place, and **Holy Communion** will be distributed.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.