



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

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A) 26 APRIL 2026

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)
Fr James Yakubu, MSP (Ass. Priest)
Fr Leszek Szadowski (Ass. Priest)
Rev. 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. FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – A Pp 262-265

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 or

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

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: Marisa Punzalan, Srisantharajah Satheeskumar, Beverly Williams, Adela Oakley, Catherine Grier, Christopher Raganayagam,

Samuel Eliatamby, Rosaline Blake, Nunzio Di-Palma and Joseph Baah 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

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION:

25/26 April: PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION: The priesthood has always been at the heart of the Church.

This Good Shepherd Sunday, we pray for vocations and support the Priest Training Fund, which forms men for service across our parishes, schools hospitals and communities. We currently have 9 seminarians, each costing around £30,000 per year over six years of formation. Your generosity helps make this calling possible. You can donate online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF or Call: 02079602504 (weekdays 9am-5pm) or use the envelopes at the back of the church. You may also leave a lasting legacy to the Church by considering our church or the Priesthood in your Will.

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.

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.

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

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL: Pilgrimage to be led by Fr Patrick from 24 September to 1 October 2026. See fliers in the church or contact the Parish Office.

SOUTHWARK YOUTH DAY: Southwark next Youth Day is scheduled for Saturday 9th of May 2026 at The John Fisher School, Peaks Hill, Purley from 11am to 5pm. This is taking place very close to us. All young people and youth groups are encouraged to attend this gathering.

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA FEAST: The Feast of St Anthony of Padua comes up on Saturday 13th June 2026 with Holy Mass at 10am. Novena prayers for nine Tuesdays

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 26 April: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00am Joyce & Frank Harris, RIP
9:15am Hilario, Hermenegilda & Alvin De Souza, RIP
10:45am Rum & Mary Fleming, RIP
12:15pm Clarina Rodrigues: Birthday
3:00pm Missa Pro Populo
6:00pm Adela Oakey, RIP

Monday 27 April: Feria

10:00am Joseph Hennon, RIP
12:10pm Erutejiri Ibipeju Bosomo: Birthday thanksgiving
6:45pm Tamazine Anthony, RIP

Tuesday 28 April: Feria

10:00am Anthony Fernandes, RIP
12:10pm Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
6:45pm Auta Collaco, RIP

Wednesday 29 April: ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, Feast

10:00am Elizabeth Anthony: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Assunta Sacco, RIP
6:45pm Holy Souls

Thursday 30 April: Feria

10:00am FUNERAL: Nunzio Di Palma
12:10pm Glenis Bastian: Birthday thanksgiving
7:30pm Chete Iloba: In thanksgiving

Friday 01 May: ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

10:00am Noel Dantes, RIP
12:10pm THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND
4:00pm Rita Fyeface: 60th Birthday thanksgiving
6:45pm Eunice Barbosa: In thanksgiving

Saturday 02 May: ST ATHANASIUS, Memorial

10:00am Wesley Nash: Birthday thanksgiving
7:00pm Joyce De Souza, RIP

Sunday 03 May: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00am Priests of the Parish & Vocations
9:15am Ronald Haslam, RIP
10:45am Joan O'Connor RIP
12:15pm Rita Fyeface: Birthday thanksgiving
3:00pm Eric Walter Siluvaithasan
6:00pm Missa Pro Populo

leading to the feast day will be held after the 10am Mass on Tuesdays beginning from 14th April 2026. All are welcome to join in celebrating the noble Franciscan St Anthony.

LEGION OF MARY—EDEL QUINN PILGRIMAGE

Parishioners are warmly invited to join the Legion of Mary Annual Edel Quinn Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory on Saturday 9th May 2026. Travel will be from St Mary's, West Croydon, with a meeting time of 9:15am and departure at 9:30am, with the return journey at 4:30pm. Cost is £20 for adults, £10 for children under 16, and free for children under 5; all children attending must be accompanied by their parent(s). All are welcome, and please remember to bring a packed lunch. If you are interested in attending, please contact Fiorella on 07722041851. Payment is required to make a reservation.

'CALLED': An Evening on Vocation: Join us for Called, an inspiring evening for young adults aged 18-35 to explore and pray about your vocation: Date: Thursday 30 April. Time: 6:30pm @St George's Cathedral, London