



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

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A) 03 MAY 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:
Order of Mass: Page 6
Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – A Pp 265-268

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 Oakey, 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

Safeguarding Sunday 2026. Sunday 3 May is Safeguarding Sunday. In line with today's Gospel, we are called to protect, called to care, called to act. Safeguarding is not the work of a few; it is a shared responsibility.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

17.05.2026: World Communications Day

21.06.2026: Day for Life

28.06.2026: Peter's Pence

12.07.2026: Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)

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.

'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.

MISSION MASSES: Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries invite all Red Box supporters and the wider Diocesan community to

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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 Fyneface: Birthday thanksgiving
3:00pm Eric Walter Siluvaithasan
6:00pm Missa Pro Populo

Monday 04 May: THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, Feast

10:00am Noel Dantes, RIP; Angela Whipp, RIP & Peter Da Costa, RIP
12:10pm NO MASS
6:45pm NO MASS

Tuesday 05 May: Feria

10:00am Anne & Julian Xavier, RIP
12:10pm Forgott Sharon Mary Samaru & John Derek Smith, RIP
6:45pm Intentions of Amala De Souza

Wednesday 06 May: Feria

10:00am Dulcidon & Sapiencia Noronha, RIP
12:10pm Robert Ridgecook, RIP
6:45pm Intentions of Agnes Wambugu

Thursday 07 May: Feria

10:00am Joseph Baah, RIP
12:10pm Yvonne Hosie, RIP
7:30pm Sharon Bayley: Wellbeing

Friday 08 May: Feria

10:00am Intentions of Innocent
12:10pm Judith Paul, RIP
6:45pm Holy Souls

Saturday 09 May: Feria

10:00am Rumesh De Silva, RIP
1:00pm Innocent: In thanksgiving
7:00pm Silas Ugwuoke, RIP

Sunday 10 May: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00am Simon Cardoso & Family: In thanksgiving
9:15am Norma & Anthony DeCruz, RIP
10:45am Gavin, Vanessa, Rachel & Rebecca: Wellbeing
12:15pm Kathleen O'Toole: Wellbeing
3:00pm Sophia & Luca Small: In thanksgiving
6:00pm Fr Patrick Feyisetan: Thanksgiving & Wellbeing

come together for two important events in 2026.

@St Simon Stock Church, Bleakwood Rd, Walderslade, Kent ME5 0NF, on Saturday 6 June at 11am

@ St Elizabeth of Portugal Roman Catholic Church, The Vineyard, Richmond TW10 6AQ, on Saturday, 3rd October at 11am

Join Fr Joseph Donkor (Missio Diocesan Director for Southwark), the Missio National Director, Fr Anthony Chantry MHM and the Mill Hill Missionaries for Mass, followed by lunch.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 14th May: The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday 24th May: Pentecost Sunday

Sunday 31st May: Trinity Sunday

Sunday 7th June: The Body & Blood of Christ (**Corpus Christi Procession follows the 12:15pm Mass**)

Friday 12th June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Wednesday 24th June: The Birth of St John the Baptist

Sunday 28th June: Saints Peter & Paul

Sunday 19th July: Parish Cultural Day Celebration