



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A) 17 MAY 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. SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – A Pp 275-277

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: Adela Oakey, Catherine Grier, Christopher Raganayagam, Samuel Eliatamby, Rosaline Blake, Nunzio Di-Palma, Joseph Baah, Cyril Gomez, and Christine Connors May they rest in peace and rise in glory, 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

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

17.05.2026: World Communications Day: This collection supports the Catholic communications Network—the media office of the Bishops Conference of England & Wales.

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.

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 14th May: The Ascension of the Lord

Saturday 16th May & 30th May: First Communion Masses

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

SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 21 to 28 August 2026: Join Bishop Paul Hendricks and other faithful from across the diocese to pray at the Shrine of Our Lady in Lourdes from August 21 to 28. Details for booking travel and accommodation can be found at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/>.

For more information, please contact Canon Edward Perera (edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk) or Deacon John Fogarty (johnfogarty@rcaos.org.uk) or Bishop Paul Hendricks (paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk)

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE: The Divine Mercy Apostolate,

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 17 May: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00am Rebecca Hamilton: Birthday thanksgiving
9:15am Missa Pro Populo
10:45am Joanna & Monica Colaco; Birthday
12:15pm Anne France, RIP
3:00pm Lou Antoinette Botti: Birthday thanksgiving
6:00pm Celine Ibe-Deen: Thanksgiving for Safety

Monday 18 May: Feria

10:00am Edna Maria Jeyam, RIP
12:10pm FUNERAL: Christina Connors, RIP
6:45pm Priscilla Sans: Birthday thanksgiving

Tuesday 19 May: Feria

10:00am Hamilton Noronha, RIP
12:10pm Francis Xavier, RIP
6:45pm J.T. Kofi Duncan, RIP

Wednesday 20 May: Feria

10:00am FUNERAL: Solomon Cyril Gomes, RIP
12:10pm Gilbert Okany, RIP
6:45pm Ivan Notchev, RIP

Thursday 21 May: Feria

10:00am Patrick Taiwo Akanji, RIP
12:10pm Jacinta Noronha: thanksgiving & Wellbeing
Frances Collen: Wellbeing
6:45pm Poulouse, Theresia & Davis

Friday 22 May: ST RITA OF CASCIA

10:00am Hamilton Noronha, RIP
12:10pm Holy Souls
6:45pm Ida Moraes, RIP

Saturday 23 May: Feria

10:00am Bridget Meeks, RIP
7:00pm Emmanuel Ekwelen: Wellbeing

Sunday 24 May: PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00am Sally Jarrat, RIP
9:15am Victoria Griffin: Wellbeing
10:45am Fred Bonye: Thanksgiving
12:15pm Daphne Blades, RIP
3:00pm Missa Pro Populo
6:00pm In honour of Our Lady

London is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday 6th June 2026 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Recollection Day will include Holy Mass, Talk, Hour of Mercy with Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Tickets are £30 pp. Pls call Millie on 07957594646 for more information.

HYMN BOOKS & MASS BOOKS: We appeal to all parishioners to please check if copies of our Hymn & Mass books have accompanied them home uninvitedly. Please guide them back to church as they may miss their way unguided.

CORPUS CHRISTI SOLEMNITY

Sunday the 7th of June is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ. At the close of the 12:15pm Mass on that day we shall go out bearing the Most Holy Eucharist in procession with singing and praying of the Rosary, and following the same route as we did last year: out of the church through the glass door, turning right into Woburn road and right again into Tavistock road, to link to Bedford road and back to church via the forecourt for Benediction. Do make it a day with Jesus.