



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

PENTECOST SUNDAY (YEAR A) 24 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. PENTECOST SUNDAY – A Pp 280-287 (Vigil); 288-291

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,

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: Forms will come out in July for 2027

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 Programme will re-commence in August.

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

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:

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

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)

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.

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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

Monday 25 May: MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

10:00am Edna Maria Jeyam, RIP
No other Masses or programmes for today's Bank holiday

Tuesday 26 May: ST PHILIP NERI, Memorial

10:00am Steve Nyamekye: Birthday thanksgiving
Alanis Vanspall: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Hermes Noronha: Healing & Wellbeing
6:45pm Simon Moraes, RIP

Wednesday 27 May: DEDICATION OF OUR LADY OF REPARATION PARISH CHURCH, Solemnity

10:00am David Agbim, RIP; Ammini, RIP
12:10pm Clarence Edwrd Gomes, RIP
6:45pm In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Thursday 28 May: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, Feast

10:00am Cecilia Nyamekye: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Kiara Norris: Thanksgiving
6:45pm Aretha Williams: 1st Memorial Anniversary

Friday 29 May:

10:00am Breda, John & Julia Ann Drscoll, RIP
12:10pm Rosalita Pastura & Elsa Fernandes, RIP
6:45pm Holy Souls

Saturday 30 May: THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00am Angelo & Eugenia Mendes, RIP
7:00pm Matthew Notchev: 18th Birthday
Niall Vaithilingam: Thanksgiving & Wellbeing

Sunday 31 May: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00am Canon Joseph Collins: Birthday & Wellbeing
9:15am Remezia D'Souza, RIP
10:45am Nwokorobia Family Thanksgiving
12:15pm Mmasinachi Onyema: Thanksgiving & Dedication
3:00pm Rosa Arcentales, RIP; Arrel Lawrence D'Souza, RIP
6:00pm Missa Pro Populo

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.

PRIEST REASSIGNMENT:

Fr James Yakubu, MSP who has been with us for nearly 3 years has been appointed Chaplain of Kent University, Canterbury with effect from September 1, 2026. On your behalf, I thank Fr James for his ministry among us and wish him well in his new appointment. We shall set a date in the summer to appreciate him.

Fr Cruz Fernandez - from the Archdiocese of Goa & Daman - India has been appointed as 2nd Assistant Priest to our parish. We look forward to having him among us.