

OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 22ND OCTOBER 2023

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest) Fr Michael Etuka (Ass. Priest) Fr Sylvester Oyeka, CSSp (Ass. Priest) Fr James Yakubu, MSP (Ass. Priest) Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon) Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary) Robert Haddad (Lead Catechist) SUNDAY READINGS Parish Mass Book: Order of Mass: Page 6 Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY YEAR A. pp 143-146

PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00pm (Saturday); 8am, 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm, 3:00pm & 6:00pm WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: 10am; 12:10pm & 6.45pm Saturday: 10am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Wednesday 12:45pm – 6:30pm; Sat.10:45am –12noon; Sun. 4pm-5.30pm CONFESSION: Saturdays 10:30-11:30am; 6pm – 6:45pm and at call.

ROSARY: 9.30am (Monday—Friday)

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: Registration for First communion 2024 has closed. Parents will receive email in the coming days with instructions concerning what comes next.

CONFIRMATION: Every Friday from 6 to 8pm.

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 at <u>rciacroydon@gmail.com</u> or just come along to the parish hall on a Wednesday evening.

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

LEGION OF MARY: Senior Presidium meeting takes place on Saturdays at 3:30pm in the Parish Room. Junior **Presidium** meeting takes place 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. **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 CHARIS-MATIC RENEWAL GROUP: Charismatic Prayer meeting is held every Friday after the evening Mass.

CAR PARKING: If you park your car on our premises while visiting the church or the parish office Monday to Friday, you **MUST** register your car registration details in the electronic pad to avoid getting a parking penalty ticket.

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Sonny Sylvester D'Souza, Edward Fregedo, Kevin Quinn, Mavis Roach, and Sharon Samaru. May they rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts 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**

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.

THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL - VACANCIES

We are currently looking to appoint the following: Chaplain (full-time, term time only) Clerk to Governing Board (part-time) Please visit the school's website for more information. <u>https:</u> www.johnfisherschool.org/our-school/career-opportunities

PRAYER MEETINGS

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS: World Apostolate of Fatima: 14/15 October MISSIO: 21/22 October

NEW BEGINNINGS: For those who have suffered a divorce or separation or the death of their spouse, this Beginning Experience residential weekend will help provide healing. It's on October 13-15 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. For details ring Maura on 07795 498445 or email besouthofengland@gmail.com.

PROMOTING RACIAL AND CULTURAL INCLUSION IN OUR PAR-

ISHES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES: This seminar will take place at the Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Southwark, from 9:30am to 4.00pm on Saturday 28 October 2023. To register for the seminar, click on the above link: https:// forms.microsoft.com/e/1G3Dvs124W. Registration is free. For more information, please write to: racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We need adult Catholics to give their time and knowledge in guiding our children as we plan to begin our Sunday Children's Liturgy/Sunday School. Send a note to the parish email address which is on the front page of the newsletter to register your interest.



'Hold on tightly to the ROSARY. Be very grateful to the Madonna because it was she who gave us Jesus. Love our Lady and make her loved; always recite the Rosary and recite is as often as possible.' - St Padre Pio

MISSIO RED BOXES: Please, take home one box per family, fill it up with all your spare coins and notes and hand it over to one of the priests in our parish. Donations from these boxes go towards supporting the work of the Church throughout the world.

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL:

Nursery and Reception entry September 2024 closing date is 12th January 2024. **OPEN DAY** (by appointment through the school office 020 8688 2891) on Tuesday 14th November 2023.

CONFIRMATION 2023: Canon Gerard Bradley, Episcopal Vicar in charge of South West Pastoral Area of our diocese shall be here on Saturday 18th November to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our candidates. Please keep the candidates and their families in your prayer.

ALL HALLOWS NIGHT: On the eve of All Saints (Tuesday 31st October) we shall be celebrating ALL HALLOWS NIGHT with everyone in the parish especially our young ones. We would like our children to choose a Saint they want to represent and parents should help to get them dressed to Mass in the costume (habit) of the chosen Saint. After the Mass we shall have celebrations and socials in the hall.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS:

Malcolm Fernando is organising Christmas Raffle in the Parish. The Raffle is to support youth training in the Par ish as well as the Catholic Charities such as ACN, CAFOD, MISSIO, Seminary Fund & Diocesan clergy Support Fund. He requests for volunteers to sell raffle tickets. They should

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK TWENTY-NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 22nd October: 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am	Blessing Amaka: In thanksgiving
9:15am	Alexandre Antonio Medina, RIP
10:45am	Ann Chunga: In thanksgiving
12:15pm	Bernadette Simons, RIP
3:00pm	Pro Populo
6:00pm	Elizabeth Rosario: Birthday thanksgiving

Monday 23rd October: Feria

10:00am	Annette Ribeiro, RIP
12:10pm	Samuel Kwasi Yeboah, RIP
6:45pm	Francha Blackman, RIP

Tuesday 24th October: Feria

10:00am	Sonny D'Souza, RIP
12:10pm	Beatrice Onochie & family: Thanksgiving
6:45pm	Peter Golden Jnr, RIP

Wednesday 25th October: Feria

10:00am	Maria Pereira, RIP
12:10pm	Coralie Jones, RIP
6:45pm	Peter Golden Snr, RIF

Thursday 26th October: Feria

10:00am	Souls in Purgatory
12:10pm	Tessie O'Halloran: Birthday thanksgiving
6:45pm	Adeyinka Titilayo Bosomo: 75th Birthday thanksgiving

Friday 27th October: Feria

10:00am	Melanie Jeyaseelan: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm	Mary Coyne: Birthday thanksgiving
6:45pm	Holy Souls

Saturday 28th October: SS SIMON & JUDE, Apostles, Feast

10:00am	Angela Ozogolu: Birthday thanksgiving Adaeze Ezeh: Birthday thanksgiving
12:15pm	Zambia Independence Anniversary Mass
7:00pm	Bridget Theresa D'Souza, RIP

contact him on 075 05 011 249

FEAST OF ST JUDE IN FAVERSHAM: October 28 & 29. Call 01795539214 or email shrineoffice@stjudeshrine.org.uk or visit www.stjudeshrine.org.uk for more information.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

14th to 15th October: Visit of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

26th October: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7:30pm **31st October:** All Hallows Night starting with Mass at 7pm and with socials in the hall

1st November: All Saints Day: Masses at 8, 10, 12:10 & 7pm

2nd November: All Souls Day: Masses as on November 1 **11th November:** Parish Memorial Day starting with Mass at 10am and concluding with Visit to the Cemeteries.

14th November: 12:10pm Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy

18th November: Confirmation Mass by Canon Gerard Bradley at 7pm

27th November: Fr Patrick's 30th Anniversary Mass at 6:45pm followed by reception.

2nd December: A Day with Mary

13th December: Parish Xmas Dinner for the Seniors