



## OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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# PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 29TH 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. THIRTIETH SUNDAY YEAR A. pp 146-148*

### 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 [rciacroydon@gmail.com](mailto:rciacroydon@gmail.com) 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).

### PRAYER MEETINGS

**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 CHARISMATIC 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.

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

11/12 November: ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL  
25/26 November: CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES

**NOVEMBER DECEASED LIST:** In the month of November we remember especially our departed brothers and sisters, friends and relatives. There are Holy Souls envelopes at the entrance of the church. Enclose the list of names

in an envelope together with your offering and place the envelope in the Holy Souls box in front of the Altar. We shall place all the listed names on the Altar and say at least one Mass a day for those souls in the month of November and once a week throughout next year.

**ALL SAINTS DAY: Vigil Mass 31st October 6:45pm; 1st Nov Masses at 8am, 10am, 12:10pm and 6:45pm**

**ALL SOULS DAY: Masses at 8am, 10am, 12:10pm & 6:45pm**

**PARISH REMEMBRANCE DAY:** Saturday 11th November is Remembrance Day in our parish. Kindly send the name as well as framed picture of your loved one who died within the year to the parish office by Monday 6th November. There will be Memorial Mass at 11:00am on 12th November 2022. There will be no 10am Mass and Adoration that day. We shall visit the Mitcham Road Cemetery and Queen's Cemetery at 3pm on the same day.

#### **DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

South West Area Day of Recollection for Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion shall be held on Saturday 2nd December at St Boniface Church, 185 Mitcham Road Tooting. The day's programme will begin at 10am and finish with lunch at about 2:15pm

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL**

Coloma Convent girls' School is holding a Mass of Remembrance on Thursday 9th November at 2pm to remember all deceased Coloma students, staff & family members. Families of those who have died are warmly invited to attend this Mass at the school. Please RSVP [liturgy@coloma.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:liturgy@coloma.croydon.sch.uk) by 2nd November indicating the name of your loved one to be prayed for.

**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 Parish as well as the Catholic Charities such as ACN, CAFOD, MISSION, Seminary Fund & Diocesan clergy Support Fund.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

##### **THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

##### **Sunday 29th October: 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00am Vivian Sayers, RIP  
9:15am Joel & Francel: In thanksgiving  
10:45am Christopher Igbudu & family: Health & Wellbeing  
Aplone Gabriel Gomez: 94th Birthday thanksgiving  
12:15pm Precious Ozogolu: Birthday thanksgiving  
3:00pm Edilson Rodrigues: 21st Birthday thanksgiving  
6:00pm Pro Populo

##### **Monday 30th October: Feria**

10:00am Lucas, Ubaldina, Sylvia & Amon De Souza, RIP  
12:10pm Ugochukwu Okonkwo, RIP  
6:45pm Carol Moore, RIP

##### **Tuesday 31st October: Feria**

10:00am Hermann Gahuidi, RIP  
12:10pm Romilly Fenlon: Wellbeing  
**1ST MASS OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**  
6:45pm John Simons, RIP

##### **Wednesday 1st November: THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**

8:00am Pro Populo  
10:00am Tony Ogunsola: Birthday & Special Intention  
12:10pm Sonny De Souza, RIP  
7:00pm Fr John Leahy, RIP

##### **Thursday 2nd November: THE COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

8:00am Deceased Clergy of St Mary's Church  
10:00am Shane & Conrad Myers, RIP  
12:10pm The Souls in Purgatory  
7:00pm All the Faithful Departed

##### **Friday 3rd November: Feria**

10:00am Rosaline Cubagee: Birthday & Wellbeing  
12:10pm **FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**  
6:45pm Holy Souls

##### **Saturday 4th November: ST CHARLES BORROMEIO, Mem**

10:00am Timothy Yeboah: Wellbeing  
7:00pm Fr Thomas Moraes, RIP

He requests for volunteers to sell raffle tickets. They should contact him on 075 05 011 249

#### **MISSION CALENDAR SALE**

The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will be in our Parish to sell their Mission Calendar 2023 the week end of 4th/5th November. Having a Mission Calendar is a way of reminding ourselves all the year round of our duty to sustain the missions by our prayer and sacrifice. Please help the sisters generously.

#### **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

**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