



# OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B 27TH OCTOBER 2024

### PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)  
Fr Michael Etuka (Ass. Priest)  
Fr James Yakubu, MSP (Ass. Priest)  
Fr Matthew Donnelly (Ass. Priest)  
Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon)  
Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary)  
Robert Haddad (Lead Catechist)

### SUNDAY READINGS

Parish Mass Book:  
Order of Mass: Page 5  
*Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. 30th ORDINARY TIME: Pp. 149-151*

### 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.

**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 YOUTH GROUP:** We welcome all young people to join our youth group for ages 12-18. We want to try and encourage more young people to take an active role in the church and have fun with other their age. There will be a range of activities such as movie nights, sports day and other activities which can be chosen by members. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month after 12:15 mass. For any extra information please email: [stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com)

**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**

### PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

*We stand before you, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.*

*With you alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;*

*Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.*

*We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.*

*Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.*

*Let us find in you our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal life  
and not stray from the way of truth  
and what is right.*

*All this we ask of you,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever. Amen.*

### 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:** 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 2025 has begun. See details overleaf.

**CONFIRMATION:** Every Friday from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

**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 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.

### PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Jake Dicto, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Fr James Furlong, Maureen Murphy, Euphrajia Nunes, Melville Wheatley, Dawn Shirley Shaw, Aplone Gabriel Gomez, Thomas Kenneally. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

### SECOND COLLECTION:

**10th November: Archbishop's Appeal**

**17th November: PACT Collection**

**24th November: Catholic Youth Services**

### APPEAL FOR THE HOMELESS

St Vincent de Paul Society & Croydon Nightwatch are making an appeal for the homeless. Items needed urgently are as follows: Tea bags, Soup tins (not packets), canned foods, fruits, milk, vegetable, fish and meats. Also, shampoos and tooth-pastes are needed. Items should not be past their sell by date.

### ST MARY'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL:

Nursery and Reception entry September 2025 closing date is 10th January 2024. **OPEN DAY** (by appointment through the school office 020 8688 2891) on Tuesday 12th November 2024.

### DAY OF HEALING

We are all cordially invited to attend a Day of Healing taking place on Saturday 2nd November at St George's Cathedral, Lambeth Road SE1 6HR from 10:30am to 5pm. It will feature Mass, Prayers, Praise and Worship, Talks, Healing Ministration. Main Speaker – Fr. Columba Jordan CFR. Register for Free: [bit.ly/SouthwarkHealing24](https://bit.ly/SouthwarkHealing24) (Or just turn up on the day)

### ALL HALLOWS EVE

Following the success of last year's All Hallow's Eve event, Fr Patrick is pleased to once again invite the children of the parish and their parents, to celebrate this old Catholic tradition on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> of October beginning with Mass at 6:30pm, to be followed by refreshments and activities in the Parish Hall. Please come dressed as your favourite saint, angel or personage from the Bible.

**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.

**PARISH REMEMBRANCE DAY:** Saturday 16th 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 11th November. There will be Memorial Mass at 11:00am on 16th November 2024. There will be Adoration, Marian devotion, confessions from 9:30am to 10:45am on that day. We shall then visit the Mitcham Road Cemetery and Queen's Cemetery right after the Mass to bless the graves of our loved ones.

**OCTOBER DEVOTION:** October is a month dedicated to Our Lady and the praying of the Holy Rosary. Let us pray the rosary to seek for peace in our world.

**WEDNESDAY MASS AT THE CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL CHAPEL HOLDS AT 12NOON.**

**HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION:** The solemnity of All Saints is a holyday of obligation. Check upcoming parish events and Mass Intentions list for designated times for Masses on Thursday 1st November.

### MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday 27th October: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time -B

8:00am Melani Jeyaseelan: Birthday thanksgiving  
9:15am Maureen Onyenakasa, RIP  
10:45am Adejare Adebari: Birthday thanksgiving  
12:15pm Bill & June O'Keefe: 60th anniversary  
Liam Cronin, RIP (10th anniversary)  
3:00pm Kai Anabel Supuni: Birthday thanksgiving  
6:00pm Intentions of the Knights of St Columba

#### Monday 28th October: SS SIMON & JUDE, Feast

10:00am Missa Pro Populo  
12:10pm Con McClaughlin: Speedy Recovery  
6:45pm Adaeze Tecla Ezeh: Birthday thanksgiving

#### Tuesday 29th October: Feria

10:00am Edilson Rodrigues: Birthday thanksgiving  
12:10pm Bernadette Gallagher: Wellbeing  
6:45pm Remezia D'Souza, RIP

#### Wednesday 30th October: Feria

10:00am Martin Grier, RIP  
12:10pm Effie Nunes, RIP  
6:45pm Romanus Ezeh, RIP

#### Thursday 31st October: Feria

10:00am John Simons, RIP  
12:10pm Dominic Sajeevran, RIP

#### **VIGIL MASS OF ALL SAINTS**

6:30pm Devassia, RIP

#### Friday 1st November: ALL SAINTS, Solemnity

8:00am Missa Pro Populo  
10:00am Graham Blunden, RIP (10th anniversary)  
12:10pm **THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**  
6:45pm Nkechi & Dubem Onyia: Wellbeing

#### Saturday 2nd November: ALL SOULS

8:00am The Faithful Departed  
10:00am Sandra Headlam: Birthday thanksgiving  
12:10pm Shane & Conrad Myers & Glen Downs, RIP  
7:00pm Patricia Aduba: Wellbeing

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

**31st October:** All Hallows Night starting with Mass at 6:30pm and ending with activities 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

**12th November:** 12:10pm Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy.

**16th November:** Parish Memorial Day starting with Mass at 10am and concluding with Visit to the Cemeteries.

**30th November:** Confirmation by Canon Gerard Bradley at 7pm

**7th December:** A Day with Mary

**15th December:** Parish Christmas Dinner for the Seniors

### ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

The CBCEW website has been updated with a raft of resources which offer further information regarding the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. Please visit this link to access the updated resources which lay out the Catholic position on assisted suicide, and what you can do to stop its legalisation: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>