



## OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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# PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B) 3RD MARCH 2024

### 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 5  
*Please follow readings, responses and prayers in Parish Mass Book. 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT B. Pp 154-156*

**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: 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:

Anne Ng, Rose D'Souza, Lawrence Rasquinha, Theresa Langley, Headley Davis, Nathaniel Nwangwu, Janette Lynn Timilar, Ragil Gills and Ida Patrick. May they rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory.

**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**

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR:** Our Catholic Charismatic Renewal Group in conjunction with the Parish is organis-

### 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:** Every Saturday at 10:30am

**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 evening.

ing a LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR in preparation for Pentecost 2024. Join the seminar or pray for those who are willing to improve their Christian life and journey.

#### UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

There are still available spaces on the **Fatima pilgrimage** to be led by Fr Patrick from 26th June to 1st July 2024  
Contact Malcolm Fernando on 07505011249

There is also a **pilgrimage to Santiago & Fatima** from 8th June to 14th June 2024 (cost £850 sharing; £1000 single).  
Contact Diane 07951194036

**Archdiocese of Southwark Day Pilgrimage to the National Catholic Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, Norfolk as part of the 2024 Year of Prayer preparation for Jubilee 2025.**

Date is Saturday, 27th of April 2024. Coach leaves 6:30am from Outside Virgo Fidelis Church: 143 Central Hill, SE19 1RT. Returns 9pm. **£50** per person. Ring Fr James Clark to book: 0208 670 2777. Meals/Drinks not included

#### UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

17TH MARCH: POOR PARISHES

29TH MARCH: PAPAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES

#### LENTEN MASSES AT CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

There will be Mass in the Hospital Chapel at 12 noon on Monday 4th, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March.  
All are most welcome

#### INTERFAITH SERVICE OF PEACE & UNITY

An Interfaith service of Peace and unity will be held on March 7th from 6.30pm in the St Barnabas worship space at Croydon University hospital.

The service will be led by the Anglican Chaplain and the main focus will be prayers for peace. There will be readings from members of other faith groups but prayers will be led by the chaplain. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

#### ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

We welcome all young people to join our new youth group for ages 12-18. Next meeting comes up this Sunday after 12:15 mass in the Parish Centre. For any extra information please email [stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com)

#### DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

The next Youth Day for ages 10 to 14 will be at Richard Challoner School, New Malden on Saturday 9 March from 11:00 am to 5:30 pm. The day will include faith input from Fr Samuel Burke OP, Eucharistic Adoration and praise, sports, games, and pizza. For details and to book, please visit [www.tinyurl.com/scysyouthday](http://www.tinyurl.com/scysyouthday)

**Rediscover Your Marriage** – Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10s of 1000s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. The next programme commences with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024. Call or text 07887 296983 email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

#### MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

##### Sunday 3rd March: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

8:00am Priests of the Parish & Vocations  
9:15am Missa Pro Populo  
10:45am Philomena Dillon, RIP  
12:15pm Victoria & Steven Griffiths: 10th Wedding Anniversary thanksgiving  
3:00pm Avril Warren: Birthday thanksgiving  
6:00pm Sonny D'Souza, RIP

##### Monday 4th March: Feria

10:00am Piedade Da Costa, RIP  
12:10pm **FUNERAL:** Rose D'Souza, RIP  
6:45pm Paul Etuka & Holy Souls, RIP

##### Tuesday 5th March: Feria

10:00am **FUNERAL:** Lawrence Rasquinha, RIP  
12:10pm Richie Figo Fernandes  
6:45pm Samuel Raju, RIP

##### Wednesday 6th March: Feria

10:00am Claudette Joseph Gillett: Birthday T/G  
12:10pm Josephine Oluonye: Wellbeing & thanks giving for prayers answered  
6:45pm Clare Veronica Cunningham & Dominic William, RIP

##### Thursday 7th March: Feria

10:00am Fr Michael Etuka: In thanksgiving  
12:10pm Cournane Iris, RIP  
6:45pm Souls in Purgatory

##### Friday 8th March: Feria

10:00am Menino Jose D'Mello  
12:10pm Mary Chappell, RIP  
6:45pm Holy Souls

##### Saturday 9th March: Feria

10:00am Christine D'Lima, Daniel Nevin & Kim Kapper, RIP  
7:00pm Pamela Albert, RIP

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 6pm. Let us keep in mind that Fridays during Lent and Good Friday are days of penance and abstinence. Kindly save some money and provisions by doing those acts of penance and bring supply to the Foodbank.

**VACANCY@THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL** – We are currently looking to appoint a full-time **Finance Assistant**. Please visit the school's website for more information. <https://www.johnfisherschool.org/our-school/career-opportunities>

**VACANCY@LALEHAM LEA**, a Catholic Independent School in Purley, is looking for a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) to start as soon as possible. For more information and application forms please visit our school website - [www.lalehamlea.co.uk](http://www.lalehamlea.co.uk) or call 0208 660 3351.

**PRAY FOR OUR CATECHUMENS & CANDIDATES DOING THE FIRST SCRUTINY AT THE 12:15PM MASS THIS SUNDAY.**