



# OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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## PARISH NEWSLETTER

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) 11TH FEBRUARY 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. 6TH ORDINARY TIME B. Pp 137-139*

**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:

Theresa Langley, Juwan Pavalarajan Croos, Headley Davis, Nathaniel Nwangwu, Janet Lynn Cabanero Timillar, Patricia Gatland, Pearline Campbell, and Vilmah Bowling. 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 from 1015 -1145am.

**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.

ing a LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR in preparation for Pentecost 2024. Programme will commence on 17th February 2024. Registration forms are at the back of the Church for interested parishioners to fill and return.

#### UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

There are still available spaces on the following pilgrimages:  
Fatima: 26th June to 1st July 2024  
Lourdes: 5th to 9th June 2024  
Contact Malcolm Fernando on 07505011249

#### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

18TH FEBRUARY: CLERGY SUPPORT FUND  
25TH FEBRUARY: CAFOD FAST DAY COLLECTION  
17TH MARCH: POOR PARISHES

#### CLERGY SUPPORT FUND SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much. They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones. Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have one for parishes. You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible, find out how to donate to the Clergy Support Fund



at [www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF) or scan QR code. You can also donate via telephone office hours Mon-Fri **020 7960 2504** or by using the Clergy Support Fund envelopes available today at the back of Church. Please continue to keep our Priests in your prayers.

#### DEALING WITH DIVORCE?

People suffering from relationship breakdown are the focus of Restored Lives which runs non-denominational online and face-to-face courses to help adults and their children deal with the trauma of separation and divorce. Their next online course starts on January 22 – for details visit: <https://www.restoredlives.org>

#### ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

We welcome all young people to join our new 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. Next meeting February 18th on a Sunday after 12:15 mass. For any extra information please email [stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com)

**FOOD BANKS:** December and January can be very difficult months for many. Purley Food Hub writes: We delivered food for close to **6,000 meals** for Food Hub clients and their families during December – our most ever in a single month. We are therefore appealing in January for hot chocolate drink needing only water, cartons of long-life milk and non-dairy alternatives, jars of meat & fish paste, jars of honey and tinned tuna, packet or tinned potatoes and tinned sweetcorn, jars of tomato-based pasta sauce, tinned tomatoes and tinned vegetarian meals. Also two non-food items: shampoo and washing powder tablets/capsules. Several other Croydon foodbanks advertise their 'most wanted' items online. If you are able, please consider supporting a food bank close to you.

#### MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

##### Sunday 11th February: 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

8:00am Patricia Gatland, RIP  
9:15am Donor's Special Intention  
10:45am Ellen Coyle, RIP  
12:15pm Lourdes Da Cruz: Birthday thanksgiving  
3:00pm Patricia Gunaratnam, RIP  
6:00pm Two Miscarried Babies, RIP

##### Monday 12th February: Feria

10:00am Breed Driscoll, RIP  
12:10pm Sheila Kearney: Wellbeing  
6:45pm Charmaine Olupitan: Birthday thanksgiving

##### Tuesday 13th February: Feria

10:00am Ann Armstrong, RIP  
12:10pm A. Arulpragasam: In thanksgiving  
6:45pm Frs Patrick Feyisetan & Emmanuel Ahua

##### Wednesday 14th February: ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00am Pat & Ann Ryan, RIP  
10:00am Nwodo/Iwuoh family thanksgiving  
12:10pm Coral & Collin Jeremiah, RIP  
7:00pm Missa Pro Populo

##### Thursday 15th February: Feria

10:00am Charles Fleury, RIP  
12:10pm **FUNERAL: Headley Davis, RIP**  
6:45pm Souls in Purgatory/Conversion of the dying

##### Friday 16th February: Feria

10:00am Rum Flemming, RIP  
12:10pm Theresa Langley, RIP  
6:45pm Holy Souls

##### Saturday 17th February: Feria

10:00am Holy Souls  
7:00pm Dominic Soares, RIP

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** 14th February is Ash Wednesday. It is the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. There will be four Masses on that day at the following times: **8am; 10am; 12:10pm and 7pm.** Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent at 6pm. Let us keep in mind that Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Fridays during Lent are days of penance and abstinence. Save money and provisions from fasting and bring supply to the Food bank.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASS AT CUH

There will be Mass on ASH WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> February, in the Chapel at CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL at 12 noon. All are most welcome.

#### LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT MINISTRY

Invites you to a half-day Retreat of quiet Reflection at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Edge Hill, Wimbledon, SW19 4LU on Saturday 17th February 2024 from 10:30am-1:00pm. Details include Holy Rosary, Video Talk: By Sister Doctor Betty Nina MD/Physician of the Medical Sisters of St Josephs Kerala India, Discussion on Video Talk, Christian Meditation and Healing Prayers.