



## OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

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# PARISH NEWSLETTER

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

27TH FEBRUARY 2022

### PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)

Fr Celestine Ekwueme (Assistant Priest)

Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon)

Mr Frazer Bellfield (Seminarist)

Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary)

Robert Haddad (Lead Catechist)

### 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 – 6:00pm; Sat. 10:45am – 12noon; Sun. 4pm-5.45pm

**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

**PARISH SURGERY:** Every Tuesday and Friday: 9:00am to 12:30pm and 2:00pm to 4:30pm

### PARISH CATECHETICAL PROGRAMME

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Every Saturday at 10:15am.

**CONFIRMATION:** Every Friday at 6:00pm

**RCIA:** Every Wednesday 7:30pm to 9:00pm

**INFANT BAPTISM COURSE FOR PARENTS:** First Thursday of the month at 7:30pm.

**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 of 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.

**INFANT BAPTISM:** You must show evidence of Catholic faith practice to arrange to have your baby baptised. Meet with a priest to obtain the form during parish surgery times.

**OUR LADY OF REPARATION CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL GROUP MEETS IN THE CHURCH EVERY FRIDAY FROM 7:30PM.** Fr Celestine teaches on the topic: **Overcoming the Power of Darkness.**

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

**CLERGY SUPPORT FUND:** 26/27th February to provide care and support for priests in their retirement and old age, and at their time of ill health, after their lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, His church and His People.

**POOR PARISHES:** Next Sunday 6 March: To enable the Archbishop make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the diocese.

**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.

**POST-CONFIRMATION LIFE:** The parish is calling on young people (under 18) who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation to join our Post-Confirmation Group to begin to explore what it means to be a young Catholic in this day and age, using their own experiences to fuel their discussions and actions. We will be using the LIFE Post-Confirmation programme written by Danny Curtin, and Tom Caluori who will kindly join us for the first session, and support us through the programme.

The first of these sessions will take place on Tuesday 1st March, from 6.30 - 8.30pm, in the Parish Centre. We encourage all confirmed youths to come - it promises to be an enriching opportunity.

### A RETREAT FOR LENT

Make some space to develop your relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for our Diocesan 'retreat at home' called **Saving Grace**. All you have to do is sign up and then set aside what space you can for Saving Grace! Background information about the retreat can be found at: <https://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/savinggrace> And you can sign up to receive the materials directly here: [http://eepurl.com/hnK\\_Rz](http://eepurl.com/hnK_Rz)

**CROYDON CHURCHES FORUM:** For the last 10 years, in the run-up to Easter, Croydon Churches Forum has produced a prayer booklet which acts as a focus for unity and prayer. This year's 'Transform Croydon' prayer booklet runs from Wednesday 2nd March to Easter Day. And can be accessed on our parish website. You can also get a daily post on CCF Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/croydonchurchesforum](http://www.facebook.com/croydonchurchesforum)



**What is ADORATION?  
Why is it important that we revive adoration in our Parish?**

**Find out at Masses on the weekend of 26th/27th February.**

**Jesus invites you to spend some time in his presence in the Holy Eucharist. All you need is the readiness to give him your time and your heart.**

**PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Mary Byrne, Olga Chapman, Roger Fernandes, Anthony Noronha and Jerry Deefholts. 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**

**LENT 2022**

**2nd March: Ash Wednesday:**

Masses at 8am, 10am, 12:10pm, and 6:45pm

**LENTEN TALK, STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MASS** will be held every Friday beginning at 6pm. **TOPIC** for this Friday: *"Come back to me with all your heart."* - Joel 2:12-13

**FOOD BANK:** We implore every family to join in the **'One Bag of Provision per Family Campaign for Lent'** so that the hungry in our community may rejoice that we are Christians on the Way to Heaven. You may bring your support to Church whenever you are coming to Mass. May the Lord bless your generous hearts. Amen

**MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK  
Sunday 27th February. Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

- 8.00am Priests in our parish and vocation to the priesthood.
- 9:15am Sapiencia Noronha (RIP).
- 10:45am Pro Populo.
- 12:15pm Olga Chapman (RIP).
- 3:00pm Leonie Achurch (RIP).
- 6.00pm Agnes Charles (RIP).

**Monday 28th February. (Feria)**

- 10.00am Annie D'Souza (RIP).
- 12:10pm Rosemary Carmel Nabossa Byarugaba (RIP)
- 6:45pm Vera and Dolly Nash (RIP).

**Tuesday 1st March. SAINT DAVID (Feast)**

- 10:00am Daniel O'Regan (RIP). 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.
- 12:10pm Piedade Da Costa (RIP)
- 6:45pm Holy Souls.

**Wednesday 2nd March. ASH WEDNESDAY.**

- 8.00am Pro Populo
- 10.00am David Agbim, Birthday thanksgiving.
- 12:10pm Holy Souls
- 6:45pm Holy Souls.

**Thursday 3rd March. Weekday of Lent**

- 10:00pm Avril Warren, birthday thanksgiving.
- 12:10pm Holy Souls.
- 6:45pm Ruby D'Souza (RIP).

**Friday 4th March. Weekday of Lent**

- 10:00am Alphonse Nguyen (RIP).
- 12:10pm Holy Souls.
- 6:45 pm Holy Souls.

**Saturday 5th March. Weekday of Lent**

- 10:00am Josephine Fernandes (RIP).
- 7:00 pm Holy Souls.

**PRAYER ACTION FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE**

Pope Francis has designated Ash Wednesday this year as a day of prayer and fasting for Ukraine. Our Wednesday Adoration starting after the 12:10pm Mass and running till 6pm shall be dedicated to this prayer action. Also, Archbishop John Wilson has asked that we pray the rosary for peace on Ash Wednesday. Below is Archbishop Wilson's statement issued on Friday 25 February:

"The shocking news of the invasion of Ukraine is an outrage before God and all right-thinking nations and peoples. We stand in solidarity with Ukraine and unite in responding to the call of Pope Francis for a day of prayer and fasting this coming Ash Wednesday, 2 March. We will fall on our knees before Christ, the Prince of Peace, praying for an end to this act of warfare. We welcome anyone to join us in St George's Cathedral, Southwark for Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration to pray for peace. I also ask Catholics across the Archdiocese to please pray the rosary for peace on Ash Wednesday. God's plan for the world is peace, not disaster. We pray for Ukraine and her people, and for the world's leaders. No one wins in war. Everyone wins in peace.

"<https://youtu.be/Gao6yODsvhE>