



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) 19TH MAY 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. PENTECOST SUNDAY B. Pp 286-290

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.

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 or just come along to the parish hall on a Wednesday evening.

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. 9-Tuesday Novena began last Tuesday and continues every Tuesday till 11th June.

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: Life in the Spirit Seminar 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 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month after 12:15 mass. For any extra information please email: stmarycroydon.youthgroup@gmail.com

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Barry Hughes, Fr David Standley, Ida Moraes, Elijah Daniel Myers, Michael Griffin, Angela Whipp, Alda Almeida, Anne Pendry, John William Daniel, Alice Williams, Guiseppe Nigro, and Evelyn Verez. May they rest in peace and rise 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 whole-

heartedly 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**

WEEKLY MASSES AT CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

There is Mass in the Hospital Chapel at 12noon on Wednesdays. Do feel free to attend.

SACRED HEART PILGRIMAGE TO PARAY-LE-MONIAL

The parish is organising a pilgrimage in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to Paray-le-Monial and Ars in France from 15th to 19th of October 2024. Details include: return flights Gatwick-Lyon. £695 per person sharing; £795 single. Bookings to be received before 31st July 2024. Obtain your booking form from the Parish Office. See posters for other details.

ALTAR SERVERS: Forms are now available for new server applicants and training will commence in mid-May. Applicants must have received First Holy Communion. Servers are needed mostly for 7pm, 10:45am, 3pm and 6pm Masses.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAYS

There will be three First Communion Masses in the parish on the following days: 8th, 15th and 22nd of June starting each day at 3pm. Please, keep our 72 Holy Communion candidates and their families in your prayers.

PARISH GIVING

We are grateful for all you do to support the parish. Setting up a Standing Order is the most efficient way to make a donation to the parish without incurring fees. You can use the following details for one-off donations or set up a Standing Order: NatWest Bank;

Account Name: RCAS Croydon West.

Account Number: 36004219

Sort Code: 60-50-01

If you are a taxpayer, you can **PLEASE** sign up for Gift-Aid at no extra cost to you.

PRIESTLY ORDINATION You are all cordially invited to the Priestly ordination of Reverend Frazer Bellfield which is scheduled for Saturday the 20th of July 2024 at St George's Cathedral, Southwark at 12:30pm, and to his First Solemn Mass on Sunday 21st July at 12:30pm at St Theresa's Biggin Hill.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

This year's Corpus Christi procession shall be held on Sunday 2nd June at the end of the 12:15pm Mass. Let us come together to bear witness to the Body of Christ, the Food of Life. Members of the following committees of the PPC are invited to meet on Tuesday 21st at 7:15pm to fine-tune the planning of the procession: Liturgy, Catechesis/Evangelisation, Health & Safety and Welcome Committees.

TRIP TO ST JUDE, FAVERSHAM: A coach trip is being organized for the 1st of June. Charge per head is £17 payable to Tangy (07910877215). The coach will depart from St Mary's at 9am and leave Faversham at 4pm. Please, book in advance to avoid disappointment.

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 19th May: PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

8:00am David & Uche Agbim: Wellbeing
9:15am Anne Pendry, RIP
10:45am Przemyslaw Leprowski, RIP
12:15pm Uma & Mervyn Dias: 14th Wedding Anniversary
3:00pm Missa Pro Populo
6:00pm Ijeoma Genevieve Ewenike, RIP

Monday 20th May: MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH,

Feast

10:00am Helen Golden, RIP
12:10pm Peggy Gallagher, RIP
6:45pm Ivan Notchev, RIP

Tuesday 21st May: FERIA

10:00am Florence Akanji: In thanksgiving
12:10pm Anthony Paul: Wellbeing
6:45pm Lily Carma, RIP

Wednesday 22nd May: FERIA

10:00am Hamilton Noronha, RIP
12:10pm Sean Lynch: Wellbeing
6:45pm Holy Souls

Thursday 23rd May: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, Feast

10:00am Stephen Goodman: Wellbeing
12:10pm Fergus Orme: Wellbeing
6:45pm Souls in Purgatory

Friday 24th May: FERIA

10:00am Saha Family: Wellbeing
12:10pm Jason Varghese: Wellbeing
6:45pm Holy Souls

Saturday 25th May: ST BEDE THE VENERABLE, Memorial

10:00am Selwyn Lloyd Smart, RIP
12:15pm **WEDDING:** Jennifer Onah & Cliff Ekwem
7:00pm Thomas Pereira: Good health

STELLA MARIS: Catholic Maritime Charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is very grateful for this parish's prayer and financial support of its work on Sea Sunday last year. To report back on the use of those funds, it invites parishioners to join an **online update and thank you webinar on Tuesday 28th May from 7:30pm to 9:00pm**. You will hear about the impact of your generosity on the lives of seafarers, fishers, and their families over the last year. Its CEO and chaplains will share inspiring stories of how they have helped seafarers and fishers through your support. To register for this virtual event, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou2024

FR SYLVESTER OYEKA: We are grateful for the ministry of Fr Sylvester in our parish since September 2022. He will be leaving our parish at the end of July to take on another assignment with the Spiritans. The parish shall organise a 'thank you' for Fr Sylvester in the month of July.

FR MATTHEW DONNELLY

Fr Matthew Donnelly who currently works as Assistant Priest at Sacred Heart Parish, Edge-Hill, Wimbledon has been posted to our parish by the Archbishop as Assistant Priest. He will be joining us in September.