





1st March 2020- Year A – First Sunday in Lent

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| 70 Wellesley Road, Croydon CR0 2AR Tel: (020) 8688 1857 E-mail: croydonwest@rcaos.org.uk Website: www.saint-mary.org.uk Live internet Camera: 7am-10pm Church Opening Times: 7am-7pm | | Blessed Sacrament Adoration and Benediction <u>Wednesdays</u> 12.45pm to 6.15pm <u>First Fridays</u> 10.45am to 12 noon <u>Saturdays</u> 10.30am to 12 noon <u>Sundays</u> 4pm to 5.45pm | | Fr. Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest) Fr. Celestine Ekwueme (Assistant Priest) Revd. Vincent Morrison (Permanent Deacon) | |
| Confession times <u>Saturdays</u> 10.30am - 11.30am & 5.45pm - 7pm | | Prepare Pray Fast Give | | ❖ Sunday Mass times ❖ 7pm (Saturday) 8am., 9.15am., 10.45am., 12.15pm., 3pm., & 6pm | |
| Wednesdays 12.45pm to 1.15pm | | First Fridays 10.45am to 12 noon | |  | |
| (and at call) | | Daily Mass times Monday to Friday • 10am & 12.10pm Monday to Friday • 6.45pm Saturdays • 10am | | | |
| Prayer times Rosary • 9.40am • Monday to Friday Morning Prayer • 9.40am • Saturdays | | Fatima Devotions First Saturdays @ 12 noon <u>Perpetual Succour</u> All other Saturdays @ 12 noon | | | |

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| Saturday 29th February | | Wednesday 4th March St. Casimir | | First Saturday 7th March Fatima Devotions SS. Perpetua & Felicity | |
| 7.00pm | Wimalaraj Gunaratnam, RiP | 10.00am | Alphonse Silva, RiP | 10.00am | The Pope, Bishops & Priests |
| | | 12.10pm | Rumesh D'Silva, RiP | 7.00pm | Private intention |
| Sunday 1st March First Sunday in Lent | | 6.45pm | Maria Conceicao Afonso, RiP | Sunday 8th March Second Sunday in Lent | |
| 8.00am | People of the Parish | Thursday 5th March | | 8.00am | Dominique Paull, wellbeing and in thanksgiving |
| 9.15am | Enrique Espejo, RiP | 10.00am | Josephine Rodrigues, RiP | 9.15am | People of the Parish |
| 10.45am | Audrey Gordon Blades, in thanksgiving | 12.10pm | Christopher Igbudu & family, wellbeing | 10.45am | Melba & Oscar, wellbeing |
| 12.15pm | Hazel Salmon RiP | 6.45pm | George K V, RiP | 12.15pm | Rose Kiwanuka, wellbeing and in thanksgiving |
| 3.00pm | Martin Cahill RiP | First Friday 6th March Lent Fast Day (CAFOD) | | 3.00pm | Angela Dorthy, RiP |
| 6.00pm | Mary Yeboah & child, wellbeing | 10.00am | Clarence Fernandes, RiP | 6.00pm | Private intention |
| Monday 2nd March St. Chad | | 12.10pm | For the Sick, disabled & housebound with Anointing | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Parish Office HOURS  Mon to Fri 9.30am to 4pm Shirley Nash Parish Secretary </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Parish Surgery <u>Mondays</u> 4.30pm to 7pm <u>Thursdays</u> 9.30am to 11.30am & 5pm - 6.30pm </div> | |
| 10.00am | Monica Licorish, in thanksgiving | 6.45pm | Billy Joey, RiP | | |
| 12.10pm | Melba & Oscar, wellbeing | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  <div style="text-align: center;"> Wednesday Word  </div> </div> | | | |
| 6.45pm | Mark Austria, birthday | Sun 8 Mar 2020 1 st Reading • Genesis 12: 1 - 4 2 nd Reading • 2 Timothy 1: 8-10  Gospel Matthew 17: 1 - 9 Year of the Word Aylesford Event Saturday 27 th Jun 2020 | | The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March 2020: We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity. | |
| Tuesday 3rd March | | 10.00am | Annamma Thomas, RiP | | |
| 12.10pm | Uzoh Igbudu, private intention | 6.45pm | Rowena Austria, birthday | | |



Official Prayer for The Year of The Word of God

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.

Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another.

Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world.

Amen

V: Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R: This day and every day
Our Lady of the Annunciation
St. Matthew
St. Jerome

**Pray
for
us**

Parish Lenten Programme 2020

- Stations of the Cross every Friday 6pm in the Church
- Parish Lenten Talks
- Wednesdays @ 6pm in the Church 11th, 18th, 25th March followed by Benediction then Mass @ 6.45pm. (NB. our usual extended Wednesday Adoration after 12.10pm Mass will continue as normal)
- Wed 1st Apr – Parish Penitential Service and Confessions

• Tuesday Bible Study Class Parish Centre 7.30pm to 8.30pm starting Tue 3rd Mar



THE WORD

This is part of our Parish Lenten Programme and during this Year of the Word, it's the chance to deepen our understanding of the Word of God (the Bible). To meet this need, the Parish is starting this class, every Tuesday, which will involve reading the Word of God, a reflection and teaching with Q & A. Fr. Patrick will be the lead instructor. Please keep the date, spread The Word, and come along.

Prayer Companions

Please visit the repository (parish shop) to buy prayer items and aids for your Lenten Journey. "Walk with me is available" at £1 and the Churches Together/Croydon Prayers also £1. Croydon University Hospital, Chapel Monday Mass at 12 noon throughout Lent. All are welcome. The Hospital Chapel entrance is near Woodcroft Road.

Book for Sale – Poems by an active parishioner, Titled: Poems for St. Mary's. is available for purchase from the parish shop. Suggested donation £2. Please ask for a copy and help raise parish funds. Thank you.

Parish Events

St Mary's Women's Group are, once again, appealing to your generosity during Lent. We are asking you to donate **brand new** underwear for men, women and children. These will be given to St Mildred's Drop-In and the Refugee Centre. Please see the leaflet at the back of the Church and leave donations in the marked box. Many Thanks.

TODAY: Children's Bible Study & SFN

- Bible study follows the end of the Sunday 9.15am Mass in the parish centre.
- Young adults, parish 20 to 40 group (SFN) meet in the lobby area of the parish centre, after the 12.15pm Mass.

First Friday 6th Mar & First Saturday 7th Mar

- We welcome the sick of our parish to the devotions and prayers with Adoration following the end for the 10am Mass on Fri 6 Mar. We will be blessed with the Holy Oils as part of the 12.10pm Mass.
- It is also World Women's Day of Prayer. Please visit <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/>
- CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day – please take an envelope this weekend, enclose your donation, gift-aiding where you can, and return the envelope next Sunday. Thank you.
- The Children's Rosary Group for the Parish, will lead the Rosary as the part of the Fatima Devotions next Saturday during Adoration. Parents and children/families are encouraged and welcome.

Bible Study & Charismatic Prayers meets this coming Friday 6th Mar immediately after the 6.45pm Mass, in the Church. All welcome. **Sacramental Classes**

- RCIA, Wed @ 7.30pm – 4th Mar Velankanni Room of the Parish Centre

Today's Parish Music Ministry Sun 1st Feb

Cantor & organist @ 9.15am
Uganda Choir @ 10.45am
Main choir & music group
@ 12.15pm.



New musicians and singers are **always** welcome. Please approach after any Mass where the music group is present, usually Sunday 9.15am, 10.45am & 12.15pm.

✠ Peaceful Rest

Douglas Stuart, RiP
Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's
10am on Mon 2 Mar



RiP

Christina Browne, RiP
Thelma Hofer, RiP

We pray that the angels will lead all those who have died, to Paradise. For their grieving family and friends, assurance of our prayers and gentle support. We also pray for those with anniversary of passing away at this time and for those whom the parting remains tender. May all know the mercy and peace of the Lord, the giver of Life.

New Car Parking system



Our new system is now live and is operative Monday to Friday 24 hour.

It covers parking on the forecourt, the parking areas around the parish centre & ramps. Please register your vehicle at the pad on every visit. **Apologies again** for the inconvenience caused by some teething problems. We are responding to these, but if you have an on going concern, please contact the parish office.

Prepare for the Re-dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary 29 Mar. Visit www.behold2020.com & walsingham.org.uk

These booklets "Behold" & The Novena, are freely available as you enter the Church. Personal prayer suggestions that can be undertaken as part of your prayer life and don't need formal prayer times in Church

- the Personal Consecration to Our Lady – "33 Days to Morning Glory – To Jesus through Mary". The 33 days **started** on Fri 21 Feb – see the web sites for details. But there is a daily reflection & prayer with EWTN – the link below is an example – Day 3 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wMRCrU-ZA14>
- If you have done the above, then you might like to do a Novena for the Feast of the Annunciation Mar 25th, renewing your consecration and being part of the wonderful prayer for the re-dedication of England. Day 1 starts Mon 16 Mar ending Day 9 Tue 24 Mar
- <https://www.ewtn.co.uk/video/1728/rededication-england-dowry-mary>

Congratulations to our Faithseekers (RCIA) who are now the "Elect and those called to continuing conversion". Named & called at a beautiful Rite of Election this weekend, led by Archbishop John Wilson; it was most enfolding as they joined those from around the Southwark Diocese (some 1,000+) together with family, clergy, catechists and more. We gathered with "Will you let me by your servant", started with "Here I am Lord" before ending with "Lord you give the Great Commission" and "Praise my Soul the King of Heaven", fully mirroring that all embracing call to WHOLE COMMUNITY. Please pray for them.

Diary dates:

- 15 Mar:-RCIA 1st Scrutiny Mass @ 12.15pm
- 25 Mar: Annunciation
- 5 Apr:- Palm Sunday
- 9 Apr:- Maundy Thursday
- 10 Apr:- Good Friday
- 11 Apr:- Holy Saturday
- 12 Apr:- Easter Sunday
- 19 Apr:- Divine Mercy Sunday

Oakwood School & Nursery, Open Day: Sat 7 Mar 2020 – 10am to 1pm: Visit: www.oakwoodschool.org.uk

"New Life in Christ" • Hosted by the Cor Lumen Christi, Community, Chertsey. 14 – 15 Mar 2020. Experience the Lord in a more powerful and personal way. £10 registration

Pilgrimages supporting Catholic Charities 2020

- **Padre Pio:** 30th April to 5th May
- **Lourdes:** 5th to 9th June
- **Medjugorje:** 1st to 7th July
- **Divine Mercy:** 30th July to 4th August
- **Fatima:** 20th to 24th August
- **Infant Jesus:** 2nd to 5th September Flying from Gatwick. Further Details from Malcolm Fernando:- 075 05 011 249 or 0208 777 4785. mjsfernando@gmail.com

