



OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 30TH JULY, 2023

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Patrick Feyisetan (Parish Priest)
Fr Michael Etuka (Ass. Priest)
Fr Sylvester Oyeka, CSSp (Ass. Priest)
Revd. Vincent Morrison (Deacon)
Shirley Nash (Parish Secretary)
Robert Haddad (Lead Catechist)

SUNDAY READINGS

Parish Mass Book:
Order of Mass: Page 6
Please follow readings and responses in Parish Mass Book. SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY (A) Pp. 108-111

RCIA: Pray for our Catechumens and Candidates as they continue their faith journey through the Post-Baptism mystagogy.

INFANT BAPTISM COURSE FOR PARENTS: First Thursday of the month at 7:30pm (by arrangement). *Course will not be held in August.*

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.

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:

Vickyneswaren Ratnam, Margaret Baptiste, Matthew Gillett, Enid Nelson and Saverna Nelson. 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

ST MARY'S PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND IS SCHEDULED FOR 3RD TO 10TH DECEMBER 2023

Cost per Person: £1495 sharing; £1795 single
Cost includes: Return flights from Heathrow –Tel Aviv

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 – 6:30pm; 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: Registration forms for the 2024 programme are out. Get one for your child from the parish office or download it from our website. Forms must be returned on or before 29th September 2023. No late return of forms shall be entertained.

CONFIRMATION: Every Friday from 6 to 8pm.

- 1 suitcase per person for the aircraft hold, 20kgs
- 3 nights in Hotel Galilee 4*
- 4 nights in Hotel Bethlehem 4*
- St Peter's Fish Lunch
- Visits to Haifa/Cana/ Nazareth; Sea of Galilee/ Capernaum/Caesarea Phillipi; Jordan River/ Mount Tabor/Dead Sea; Bethlehem/Ein Karem; Jerusalem/ Mount of Olives/Western Wall; Via Dolorosa/ Church of the Holy Sepulchre/Bethany/Jericho

Forms are available from the Parish Office.

CHRISTIAN FAITH JOURNEY: RCIA: The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programme will restart on Wednesday 2 August. This is for people who are interested in becoming a Catholic or those, who are already Catholic, but have not yet received the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion or Confirmation. If you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic please tell them about this group. We meet every Wednesday at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. If you would like more information please speak to one of the clergy, email us at rciacroydon@gmail.com or just come along on a Wednesday evening. Our friendly team look forward to welcoming you.

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.

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, BEULAH HILL is currently seeking a qualified individual to join our institution as a part-time chaplain. For detailed information regarding the job description and application process, please visit our website 'stjosephscollege.org.uk' and navigate to the 'Vacancies' section. Job advert is on parish notice board.

URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL, WIMBLEDON (For Girls)

MAIN SCHOOL OPEN EVENING comes up on Wednesday 27th September 2023 from 6:30-8:30pm. **OPEN MORNING** comes up from Monday 2nd to Friday 6th October 2023—9am or 11am. Sign up at www.ursuline.merton.sch.uk/admissions/open-events-2
SIXTH FORM: 12TH October 2023 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Sign up at www.ursuline.merton.sch.uk/sixth-form/admissions/open-events

CATHEDRAL MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on September 23. Close family members can attend with you. In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, either give your details to your parish priest or email them to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk. The details needed are full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish. The deadline is July 31.

GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST

If you are mourning the death of a loved one, this weekend may be for you. Its being held at Aylesford priory from October 6-8; cost £230 single, £210 shared. For more details phone 01622717272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk

MASS INTENTIONS/CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK SEVENTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 30th July: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

8:00am Clarina Fernandes, RIP
9:15am Paris Gibbs: 13th Birthday thanksgiving
10:45am Ijeoma Ozogolu: Birthday thanksgiving
12:15pm Ugochukwu Okonkwo
3:00pm Missa Pro Populo
6:00pm Chimamanda Ohiri: Birthday thanksgiving

Monday 31st July: ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, Mem

10:00am Ozogolu Family: In thanksgiving
12:10pm Menino Jose D'Mello, RIP
6:45pm Aaron Hamilton: Wellbeing

Tuesday 1st August: ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, Mem

10:00am Mary Garcia: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm Ann Persand, RIP
6:45pm George Hickey, RIP

Wednesday 2nd August: Feria

10:00am Bridie Donovan, RIP
12:10pm Erlinda Pacheco, RIP
6:45pm Benjamin Fadele: Graduation thanksgiving

Thursday 3rd August: ST JOHN VIANNEY, Memorial

10:00am Eslinda Pereira: In thanksgiving
12:10pm Theresa Rowland, RIP
6:45pm Anaba Nnaemeka, RIP

Friday 4th August: Feria

10:00am Joan Unuigboje: Birthday thanksgiving
12:10pm **FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**
6:45pm Holy Souls

Saturday 5th August: THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00am Elvina De Meneses, RIP
7:00pm Jordan & Gaynor Notchev: Wedding Anniversary thanksgiving

SUMMERTIME 2023: ALTAR SERVERS SUMMER BREAK

This year's Altar Servers' Summer break is scheduled for Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th August at the Oratory School in Reading. It is for Altar Servers aged 11 to 17. cost is £169 per person and this covers accommodation, food and entrance to Thorpe Park. Pick a leaflet from the Sacristy or contact Fr Stephen Boyle Tel 01322220075 or email: dartford@rcaos.org.uk

Southwark Justice and Peace Commission Autumn Assembly 23rd September 2023

at St Edmund Catholic Church, Beckenham. Mass 10am continuing 10.20am in the parish hall. Entitled 'The Right to Stay: Free to Choose'. Entrance free. Lunch provided. Everyone welcome. Keynote speaker Bishop Paul McAleenan. To reserve a place email justiceandpeace@rcaos.org

ST MARY'S PURGATORIAL GROUP

St Mary's Purgatorial Group will be inaugurated in our parish on Friday 15th September, Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. Thereafter the group would be meeting every Thursday in the Parish Room at 7:30pm. Let us join in fervent prayers for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Contact 07866831016.