

OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

(ST MARY'S)

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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: Saturday after 10:30-11:30am; 6pm and at call. ROSARY: 11.30am (Monday—Friday)

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: B 19TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

HYMN: LET THERE BE LOVE

Let There Be Love Shared Among Us, Let There Be Love In Our Eyes, May Now Your Love Sweep This Nation, Cause Us Oh Lord To Arise. Give Us A Fresh Understanding Filled with your Love That Is Real, Let There Be Love Shared Among Us, Let There Be Love.

Let There Be Peace....
Let There Be Hope
Let There Be Joy

- Dave Bilbrough

Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Collect

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First reading Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The godless say to themselves:
'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. 'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son,
God will take his part
and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,
and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after
— we have his word for it.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 53(54):3-6,8 R The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause.
O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.

R.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life.

They have no regard for God.

R.

But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R.

Second reading James 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between your-selves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Jn8:12 Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;

anyone who follows me will have the light of life. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Homily

The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

HYMN: THE SERVANT KING

From heaven you came helpless babe Entered our world, your glory veiled Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

This is our God, The Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to The Servant King

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load he chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said

Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving

- Graham Kendrick

Sanctus:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon Ps 118: 4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

HYMN: THIS IS MY BODY

This Is My Body, Broken For You, Bringing You Wholeness, Making You Free. Take It And Eat It, And When You Do, Do It In Love For Me.

This Is My Blood Poured Out For You, Bringing Forgiveness, Making You Free. Take It And Drink It, And When You Do, Do It In Love For Me.

Back To My Father Soon I Shall Go. Do Not Forget Me; Then You Will See I Am Still With You, And You Will Know You're Very Close To Me.

Filled With My Spirit, How You Will Grow! You Are My Branches; I Am The Tree. If You Are Faithful, Others Will Know You Are Alive In Me.

Love One Another – I Have Loved You, And I Have Shown You How To Be Free; Serve One Another, And When You Do, Do It In Love For Me

- Jimmy Owens & Damian Lundy

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Timothy McCarthy, Nadia Ghawi, Annunziata Dabrowski, Ellen Haris, Maria Rajopoopaphy, John Smith, May they rest in peace and rise 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 like ness 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**

CLOSING HYMN: HERE I AM LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save

I who made the stars of night I will make their darkness bright Who will bear my light to them Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord, if You lead me
I will hold your people in my heart
I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have born my peoples pain
I have wept for love of them, they turn away
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and rain I will tend the poor and lame I will set a feast for them My hand will save Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied I will give my life to them Whom shall I send?

- Daniel L. Schutte, SJ

SEMINARIAN ON PASTORAL PLACEMENT

We welcome Mr. Frazer Bellfield, to our parish for the extended pastoral placement programme running from September 2021 to June 2022. Kindly keep him in your prayers and give him necessary support and encouragement.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

19th September: Home Mission Sunday 3rd October: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Coll.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

2022: Forms are out for booking a place in the first Communion and Confirmation programme for 2022. Candidates for First Communion must have clocked Seven (7) years of age while those for Confirmation must be 14 years and above. Fill and return your forms by 30th November. Meeting with candidates and their parents will be held on 14th & 15th January 2022. Application forms are available online and in the parish office.

DDL SISTERS' RAFFLE DRAW:

The Daughters of Divine Love Sisters will be selling Raffle Tickets in our parish as part of fundraising for their charity works next weekend—26th September 2021. They are also inviting everyone to their 1st Annual Dinner Dance Party coming up on the 23rd of October 2021 at St Mary's Catholic Church Croydon hall. It will be from 2.00pm to 10.00pm The dinner dance is part of their fund-raising activities for their projects with the less privileged in Africa. Tickets are £20.00. Phone numbers to call for tickets: 07764659305 or 07930479685.



COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL YEAR 7 ENTRY SEPTEMBER 2022 OPEN EVENING

Thursday 23rd September 2021, 5:00pm

-7:30pm – Students and their families are

invited to the Headteacher's talk, tour the school and meet and talk to current students and teachers.

YEAR 7 ENTRY SEPTEMBER 2022 - MORNING TOURS

Morning Tours (by appointment only) – 8.45am to 9.45am - Tour of school and Headteacher's talk.

• Monday 20th September to 2021 to Thursday 23rd September 2021

To book a morning tour please call school reception on 020 8654 6228 between 8am and 5pm.

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 7th October 2021, 5:00pm-7:30pm – Students and their families are invited to the Headteacher's talk, tour and to meet and talk to current Sixth Form students and teachers.

'ASSISTED DYING' BILL

This October, an 'Assisted Dying' Bill will be debated in the House of Lords. If successful it will allow a terminally ill adult with less than 6 months to live, assisted to commit suicide. The Catholic Church teaches that this is a crime against human life, as we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it. The Bishops therefore urge you to **PRAY** this Bill is defeated, WRITE to Peers and MPs expressing concern about this proposed legislation and **SHARE** our resources and those of our allies, in the weeks ahead with family and friends, especially via social media. Guidance on how to write to politicians can be found here: parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-orlord/ Resources, which will be updated in the weeks ahead, can be found here: https://www.cbcew.org.uk/ life-issues/

THE ARCHIBISHOP'S CERTIFICATE:

The Archbishop's Certificate (previously the Diocesan Catechetical Certificate), is an online course for all in Southwark who wish to know their Catholic faith more deeply. Participants will take a two-year journey through the Church's teaching to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy.

The course will commence in October 2021 and the cost will be £365 per year. Registration must be completed in advance. Further details can be found here: https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert

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