

# **OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH**

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00pm (Saturday); 8am, 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm, 3:00pm & 6:00pm

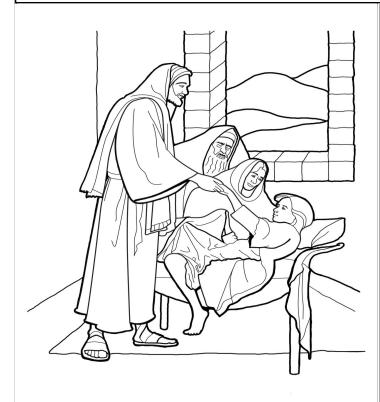
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: 10am; 12:10pm (ONLINE ONLY) & 6.45pm Saturday: 10am

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Weekday 12:45pm - 6:00pm; Sat. 10:45am -6.00pm

(ONLY ACCESSIBLE ONLINE)

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: B

27TH JUNE 2021



# **Entrance Antiphon**

Ps 46: 2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

#### 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 through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. 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 1:13-15,2:23-24

Death was not God's doing,

he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying.

Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

#### The word of the Lord.

# Responsorial Psalm Ps. 29(30):2,4-6,11-13 R. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. R.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts a moment; his favour all through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.** 

The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing:

# O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. R.

## Second reading 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how

we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

#### The word of the Lord

# Gospel Acclamation cf.Jn6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

## Gospel Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I shall be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"" But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

# 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.

He will come again in glory

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.

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 over the Offerings

O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. Through Christ our Lord.

#### 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**

Cf. Ps 102: 1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

## Prayer after Communion

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever.

Through Christ our Lord.

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:

**PETER'S PENCE:** By reason of the bond of unity and charity, the bishops of the Church, with their people, join together to contribute to this purse which the holy Father needs to exercise works of mercy and charity.

#### **BOOKING OF MASSES**

Do you want to have Holy Mass(es) offered for your intention(s), for the sick or deceased, or thanksgiving to God for favours received? If you are not restricted from going out, write your intention(s), enclose it in an envelope with your offering and drop it in the Parish House letter box. If you are making an offering by cheque, make it payable to St Mary's Catholic Church. You may also send your intention to the parish email address: croydonwest@rcaos.org.uk and make your donation online via the parish app or directly to the parish account:

Bank: NatWest

Account Name: St Mary's West Croydon

Account Number: 36004219

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#### HOW TO BECOME A CATHOLIC

The course for those who want to explore joining the Catholic Church will begin on Wednesday 30 June at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre (Velankanni Room). The Sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation) would be administered at the Easter Vigil 2022 to those who are ready. There is no pressure to become a Catholic, with each person allowed to move along the journey at their own pace. It is a very friendly atmosphere. Inquiries: email Course Leader, Sue Betts at <a href="mailto:sue-betts5@blueyonder.co.uk">sue-betts5@blueyonder.co.uk</a>

#### SCHEDULE OF PARISH ACTIVITIES

**MASSES:** 

Saturday: 10:00am &

7:00pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)

**Sunday:** 8:00am; 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm;

3:00pm &6:00pm

Monday to Friday: Mass at 10:00am;

12:10pm (Online) & 6:45pm

ROSARY: 11:30am daily (Online)

**EXPOSITION: Weekday:**12:45pm to 6:00pm

**Saturday:** 10:40 to 6:00pm

(Online)

#### 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** 

#### REFLECTION

God made us beautiful. If only we really understood just how beautiful - the envy of fallen angels! (Wisdom 2:23-24): "Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world." Not satisfied with his creation, God sent us his only begotten Son to make us still more beautiful, and to help us understand the beauty of our humanity. You may say this is hard to believe given the state of the world, of our own personal lives and of the shoddy way we often treat one another. Other human beings don't seem that wonderful to us, and they don't make us feel beautiful either. So many of us have failed to understand, to take in properly, what Christ has done for us. He has laid down his life for us. "I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me!" (Ps 29(30):2,4-6). If only we could have the faith of the woman who needed simply to "touch" the cloak of Jesus; or of the synagogue official, Jairus, whose daughter Jesus raised from the dead - "Arise!" Jesus says, using the same Greek word the Gospel of Mark uses for Jesus's own resurrection (Mark 16.6). Christ has conquered death for all of us. Are we perhaps more like the crowd that gathers to observe and ridicule but never to commit, laughing at those who believe that Christ can bring healing and even raise us from the dead? Are we that member of the family that keeps pouring cold water over the fire of the Gospel, doing the devil's work? The more we truly believe in the power of Christ, the more loving and generous we become and the more we bring the best out of one another. That generosity of spirit expresses the beauty of our creation (2 Cor. 8:8-10).