



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 (**ONLINE ONLY**) & 6.45pm Saturday: 10am

This reviewed programme commences on 2nd December 2020

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

CONFESSION: Sat. 10:30am – 11:30am & 6pm – 6:45pm;

ROSARY: 11.30am daily

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B): 29TH NOVEMBER 2020



Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Collect

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ
with righteous deeds at his coming,
so that, gathered at his right hand,
they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom.
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 **Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8**

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance.
Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and
come down!

– at your Presence the mountains would melt.

No ear has heard,

no eye has seen

any god but you act like this

for those who trust him.

You guide those who act with integrity
and keep your ways in mind.

You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.

We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.

We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.

No one invoked your name
or roused himself to catch hold of you.

For you hid your face from us
and gave us up to the power of our sins.

And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter,
we are all the work of your hand.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 79:2-3,15-16,18-19

**R: God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.**

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.

O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**

Second reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send
you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you
have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that
you have been enriched in so many ways, especially
in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ
has indeed been strong among you so that you will
not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you
are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed;
and he will keep you steady and without blame until
the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ,
because God by calling you has joined you to his
Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay
awake, because you never know when the time will
come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone
from home, and left his servants in charge, each with
his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay
awake. So stay awake, because you do not know
when the master of the house is coming, evening,
midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly,
he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I
say to all: Stay awake!'

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 over the Offerings

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make,
gathered from among your gifts to us,
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly
here below
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.
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

Ps 84: 13

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.

Prayer after Communion

May these mysteries, O Lord,
in which we have participated,
profit us, we pray, for even now,
as we walk amid passing things,
you teach us by them
to love the things of heaven and
hold fast to what endures.
Through Christ our Lord.

IN CASE OF HOSPITAL ADMISSION: If any Catholic you know is taken to the hospital, please let us have their details so we can link them up with Catholic chaplains in the hospitals for proper spiritual care.

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

Sort code: 605001

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr. Joseph O'Callaghan, Rev Deacon Alan Boxall, Michael Anthony Powell, Maureen Habgood, Antoinette Chambeyron, Mary Josephine Harwood, Daniel Junior Morrison, Patrick Stokes, Robert Edward Wright. Robert James Brennan, Emillie Joseph, and Eugene McKeon. May they rest in peace. Amen.

COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR ATTENDING PUBLIC WORSHIP:

- Our church is well prepared to receive parishioners for Masses on designated days and times. If you choose to come at any of the times, do well to comply with safety instructions and guidance provided for social distancing and sanitization.

- NHS Test and Trace form is available on our website and on the newsletter. Download and fill the form from home to facilitate easy access to the church. Bring a pen with you to fill the form at the entrance if you have no access to a printer.

- Upon entering the church for Mass, put your offertory donation in the basket provided at the back of the church. Giving by Standing Order, Gift Aid or Online donation via our website would be better appreciated

- Holy Communion is distributed at the end of Mass. Please, wait until the ushers signal that you join the line. As you approach the minister, kindly pull down your mask, stretch out your hands to receive Our Lord. As soon as you receive, make your way out of the church. Meditation and thanksgiving is done before the end of Mass.

- As you leave the church, sanitize your hands at the exit door and remember not to congregate by the door or anywhere on the premises.

- Pay attention to entrance and exit signs to facilitate easy and safe movement around the church.

NO ACCESS TO TOILET FACILITIES IN THE PARISH AT THIS TIME OWING TO INFECTION PREVENTION GUIDANCE.

- You would need to wear a face covering now in the church.

- Ring the parish office during the week to arrange for Infant Baptism & Weddings

- Let us continue to pray as individuals, families and church for an end to this pandemic.

CAR PARKING SYSTEM

OUR CAR PARKING SYSTEM IS LIVE

AGAIN. As usual, it is operative Mon - Fri (24hrs) and covers parking on the forecourt, all parking areas around the parish centre & ramps. Fill in your car reg details when you sign in to attend Mass during the week. Seek assistance if you **MUST** park at any other time during the week.



**WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY.
WEAR A FACE MASK IN
ENCLOSED SPACES.
STAY AT LEAST 2 METRES APART.
STAY SAFE!**

ADVENT REFLECTION

Be Alert! Be Watchful! So the Word of God directs us as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of Our Lord and Saviour. We remember with deep affection and gratitude Jesus' immediate coming at Christmas as we continue to await his coming at the end of time as Judge and King. It is often easier to prepare for his immediate coming at the celebration of the Christmas feast than for his second coming at the end of time. But our focus on his immediate coming at Christmas is actually meant to help us prepare for the long-awaited coming. That is why our advent preparation is to focus beyond the festive mood of Christmas and the merriment that is associated with the period to the more important elements of life: love, joy, sharing, peace, reconciliation and the invitation given to us to participate in the life of Christ.

The soft tone of the celebration of the liturgy is to help us be reflectively silent as we contemplate the unfolding mysteries that recall our salvation history. If we feel saddened and become gloomy at the thoughts of how we have moved away from the path of righteousness, the season provides us the opportunity to ask the God of hosts to bring us back, shine his face on us and save us. May this holy season be a time of renewed relationship with God and our brothers and sisters. Amen.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. Amen.

SCHEDULE OF PARISH ACTIVITIES

(from Wednesday 2nd December)

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

EXPOSITION: Weekday: 12:45pm to 6:00pm
Saturday: 10:40 to 6:00pm

MEETING FOR CATECHISTS

Catechists for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are invited to attend a very important meeting in the parish hall on Friday 4th December at 6:00pm.

CHRISTIAN FAITH JOURNEY:

Are you interested in embarking on an active Christian faith journey, in making a return to faith, or needing to prepare for Confirmation as an adult? Send email to: croydonwest@rcaos.org.uk or phone 02086881857 between 9.00 and 17:00hrs Monday to Friday to speak with any of the priests.

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2021 WILL BE OUT ON MONDAY, 7TH DECEMBER 2020.

NHS TEST AND TRACE

“To manage the risk of the virus re-emerging”

Name: _____ CAR REG: _____

Address _____

Postcode: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ Time of Mass: _____ Date: _____

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