

# St. Mary's Catholic Church ~ Our Lady of Reparation

## Mary, Holy Mother of God ~ Year A ~ 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017

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 Live internet Camera: 7am-10pm  
 Church Opening Times: 7am-7pm

### Confession times

Saturdays  
 10.30am ~ 11.30am  
 6pm ~ 7pm  
First Friday  
 10.30am ~ 2pm  
 (and at call)



### Prayer times

Rosary • 9.40am • Monday to Friday  
 Morning Prayer • 9.40am • Saturdays



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Wednesdays  
 12.45pm to 2pm  
Saturdays  
 10.30am to 12pm  
First Fridays  
 10.45am to 3pm



Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour  
 Saturdays @ 12 noon

Rev. Fr. Michael Scanlon (Parish Priest)  
 Fr. Simplicio D'Souza (Assistant Priest)  
 Fr. Celestine Ekwueme (Assistant Priest)  
 Revd. Vincent Morrison (Permanent Deacon)

### ☒ Sunday Mass times ☒

7pm (Saturday)  
 8am., 9.15am., 10.45am.,  
 12.15pm., 3pm., & 6pm



### Daily Mass times

Monday to Friday • 10am & 12.10pm  
 Saturdays • 10am



Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> December New Year's Eve		Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January		First Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	
10.00am	Kathleen Lopez, RiP	10.00am	☒Funeral Mass☒ Mary Ellen Kirby, RiP	10.00am	Bobby Noel, RiP 21 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
7.00pm	Deceased of 2016	12.10pm	Jacqueline Oluonye, RiP	12.10pm	For the Sick & Housebound Anointing of the Sick
10.00pm	Adoration <sup>(doors open 9.30pm)</sup>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January		Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> January St. Raymond of Penyafort	
12.00am	Midnight Mass Intention: People of the Parish	10.00am	Living & Deceased, RiP members of Michael's Family	10.00am	For our Priests and Vocations to the Priesthood & religious life in our Parish
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017 Feast of Mary The Holy Mother of God		12.10pm	Vincent Fernandez, RiP & Family members, RiP	7.00pm	The Sabbath of the Jews
8.00am	Diogo & Feleciano RiP			Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2017 The Epiphany of Our Lord	
9.15am	Rula Nesnas, RiP			8.00am	Ciprian R DeSouza, RiP
10.45am	Mr & Mrs David and Violet Simpson, in thanksgiving for 56 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary			9.15am	Ernesto Rodrigues, RiP
12.15pm	Jonathan Kebe, RiP			10.45am	Bobby Noel, RiP
3.00pm	People of the Parish			12.15pm	Kathleen Lopez, RiP
6.00pm	Thomas Xavier Pinto, RiP			3.00pm	People of the Parish
				6.00pm	Martina Okwesa, RiP
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen		<p>Parish Surgery</p> <p><b>Mondays @ 4.30pm to 7pm</b>  <b>Thursdays @ 9.30am to 11.30am</b>                      &amp; 5pm to 6.30pm                      NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED</p> <p><b>NO PARISH SURGERY</b>                      Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2017</p>		<p>Epiphany</p>	
10.00am	Angela Parkinson, RiP				
11.00am	Church closed for the rest of the bank holiday			<p>📖 Wednesday Word 📖                      for Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Jan</p> <p>Collect your copy from the back of the Church and prepare to meet Our Lord in His Word. These are suitable for all with special editions at the back for children.</p>	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January The Most Holy Name of Jesus					
10.00am	☒Funeral Mass☒ Joseph John Houlihan, RiP				
12.10pm	Maria Rebello, RiP				

See in the New Year  
with Our Lord  
Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2016



**Please join us for Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament**

9.30pm: doors open  
10pm: Exposition  
10.30pm: Silent adoration  
11pm: Reflection & Devotions  
with music  
11.40pm: Reposing Our Lord  
12am: Midnight Mass

✠ **Eternal Rest** ✠

Joseph John HOULIHAN, RiP  
Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's  
Tue 3 Jan @ 10am

Mary Ellen KIRBY, RiP  
Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's  
Wed 4 Jan @ 10am

Newton FERNANDES, RiP  
Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's  
Wed 11 Jan @ 10am

We have several parishioner funerals as we approach January. Please pray for the repose of the souls of the above. Also keep in prayer all the deceased whose anniversaries take place at this time.

To family and friends whose lives are changed by the loss, we offer our prayers and support.

**First Holy Communion**



**Diary Dates**

**2017**

7<sup>th</sup> January 4<sup>th</sup> Session  
14<sup>th</sup> January 5<sup>th</sup> Session  
21<sup>st</sup> January 6<sup>th</sup> Session  
28<sup>th</sup> January Revision  
4<sup>th</sup> February Confessions

**UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED  
MEETINGS START 10.30AM  
GATHER IN THE CHURCH**

**Faith Journey**

RCIA 2016/2017

The journey resumes Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Jan, 7.30pm in the parish prayer room. All enquirers are welcome  
[rciacroydon@gmail.com](mailto:rciacroydon@gmail.com)  
Ring parish (020) 8688 1857  
Talk to any of the Clergy

	Music @ Masses @ St. Mary's	
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31 Dec	Midnight	Singers & Musicians
1 Jan	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Ugandan Choir Main choir & musicians
8 Jan	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Latin Choir Main choir & musicians
15 Jan	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Children & Young People Latin Choir Young Adults
22 Jan	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Filipino Choir Main choir & musicians
29 Jan	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Male Voice Choir Main choir & musicians

	<b>Southwark Diocese &amp; School of Annunciation (Buckfast Abbey)</b>
Diocesan Catechetical Certificate 2017/2018	

Can we remind you of the above new Diocesan on-going Faith course beginning this January. This much needed programme is a great chance for you to gain knowledge of our great Catholic Faith. The formation of committed Catholics who are qualified, willing and able to engage in the intellectual apostolate and in the work of social communications and the media, will create an invaluable resource for the Parish and the Archdiocese. Such Catholics can become powerful and effective witnesses in the New Evangelisation. Please give serious thought to signing up for this course. Please see the parish noticeboard or website for details.

**Fr. Michael writes...**

A heartfelt thank you to all who helped make our Christmas so beautiful, prayerful and devout. Thanks to the musicians, the choirs and cantors, the lectors, the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, the Altar Servers, the Sacristans the Sanctuary and linen cleaners, the welcomers/ushers/stewards and collectors. We especially thank the decorators who so enhanced the simple beauty of our Church. And thanks to all who came to worship with us. A special personal thank you from your Parish Clergy, to all those who sent cards, gifts, goodies and other surprises to celebrate the Season. You add warmth and fond memories to the gift of allowing us to be your pastors. We appreciate all you do to help us. We shall pray for you and ask God to bless you and your family and your family home in this New Year. Meet the Lord in prayer, spend time with Him and the New Year will be rich in blessings.

**Parish Practicals**

**Parish Centre (Out of Action)**

Unfortunately, we experienced a flood downstairs in the parish centre following Christmas day Masses. The hall and smaller rooms are completely out of bounds and no entry is permitted. The toilets may still be used, but we do kindly ask that they are used properly to avoid blockages, running taps etc.

The Church is very busy, so just a gentle reminder to please observe the car **Parking requirements**: no blocking in or parking in ACCESS areas either on the forecourt or in the lower playground car park. Please leave family parking bays and disabled bays for the intended users. Park responsibly and carefully giving access at all times – remember **emergency vehicles** and clergy vehicles need access.

**Safeguarding**: children and vulnerable adults should be accompanied around the Church grounds at all times when using all facilities including the WCs and must be looked after by parents/carers.

**Stewarding**: where there are large numbers at Masses, please follow the guidance of the parish stewards.

**Security**: please always keep your belongings with you. If you see anything suspicious or of concern, please let the clergy know, noting that any emergencies you should ring 999. Thank you.

**Today**

**1<sup>st</sup> January 2017**

**Stewardship  
A Way of Life**

Today's 2<sup>nd</sup> reading reminds us that through Christ, we have been delivered from the old law and have become sons and daughters of God. New Year's Day provides a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves the question: does my life reflect my gratitude for all that my loving Father has given me?

**Start the Year  
with Mary**

	Hold Our Lady's hand by saying the Rosary
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**50<sup>th</sup> World Day  
of Peace**

*Artisans of Peace*



As we come together in this Season of Goodwill to all, we ask God to make us instruments of His Peace.

May we know that, peace means forgiveness, the fruit of conversion and prayer, born from within and that in God's name, makes it possible to heal.

Peace means welcome, openness to dialogue, co-operation, an active exchange to build a better world.

As we gently embrace our diversity and differences, may we recognize that these are not the cause of conflict but a rich source of desire, present in all people, everywhere, to gather and promote harmony...[making] all men and women of goodwill, artisans of peace.

May we always remember that there is no "tomorrow" in conflict trusting fully that God's name is Peace and that He is yesterday, today and forever.

	<b>Pray for the Sick</b>
Anointing of the sick <b>First (1<sup>st</sup>) Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
<b>Mass with Anointing of the Sick</b>	
Please do join us and the sick	
Come in person or join us over the internet	
<u>10.45am</u> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
<u>11.00am</u> Confessions	
<u>12.10pm</u> Holy Mass with Anointing after Communion	