

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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A ~ 22nd 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)




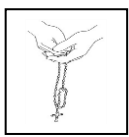
✠ Sunday Mass times ✠

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



Daily Mass times

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

| Saturday 21 st January St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr | | Wednesday 25 th January Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Last day of Prayer for Christian Unity | | Friday 27 th January St. Angela Merici, Virgin | |
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| 7.00pm | Sr. Agnes Dowley, RiP | 10.00am | Catherine Ndely, Intentions and in thanksgiving | 10.00am | Nancy & David Mendes, RiP |
| Sunday 22 nd January 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | | 12.10pm | Oscar & Melba Fernandes Special intentions | 12.10pm | Sapiencia Noronha, RiP |
| | | Thursday 26 th January St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops | | Saturday 28 th January St. Thomas Aquinas Priest & Doctor of the Church | |
| 8.00am | Rosaleen Francis | 10.00am | Kathleen Lopez, RiP | 10.00am | Lesi Adeyemi, in Thanksgiving |
| 9.15am | Marie Daisy Arthee, RiP | 12.10pm | November deceased list | 7.00pm | Hamilton Noronha, RiP |
| 10.45am | Mary O'Brien, RiP | <div style="text-align: center;">  Parish Surgery NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED Mondays @ 4.30pm to 7pm Thursdays @ 9.30am to 11.30am & 5pm to 6.30pm </div> | | Sunday 29 th January 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 12.15pm | John Kelly, RiP | | | 8.00am | People of the Parish |
| 3.00pm | Vanranakula Yakappu, & Family in thanksgiving | | | 9.15am | Kay Reidy, Health & wellbeing |
| 6.00pm | People of the Parish | | | 10.45am | Angelina Emanaus & Roger Lindio, RiP |
| St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr Today 22 nd Jan, we also pray for our Deacon, Vincent Morrison, who will have served 20 years as our Parish Deacon, this summer. | | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> ☒ Wednesday Word for Sun 29th Jan ☒ 1st Reading ● Zephaniah 2:3 & 3: 12-13 2nd Reading ● 1 Corinthians 1: 26-31 Gospel ● Matthew 5: 1 – 12 Collect your copy from the back of the Church and prepare to meet The Lord in His Word. These are suitable for everyone with different special editions available for children. </div> | | 12.15pm | Ogakwu Family, in Thanksgiving |
| Monday 23 rd January | | | | 3.00pm | Rumesh De Silva, RiP |
| 10.00am | Ervesto Gonzalez | 6.00pm | Margaret Healey, Wellbeing | | |
| 12.10pm | Sarah Russell, RiP | <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <i>Hold Our Lady's Hand by saying the Rosary</i> </div> </div> | | | |
| Tuesday 24 th January St. Francis de Sales Bishop & Doctor of the Church | | | | | |
| 10.00am | Mr Baldumero Gomes, RiP | <div style="text-align: center;">  Our Parish Shop Opening Times Sat: 6pm to 8pm & Sun: 8am to 1pm Wed: 10.30am to 12pm & First Fridays: 10.30am to 3pm </div> | | | |
| 12.10pm | June Simon, RiP | | | | |
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✠ Eternal Rest ✠

Please keep in prayer all those who have died. Some lives come to a close very suddenly as part of natural disasters like earthquakes, landslides, floods. Others leave this world after unexpected illness, or other tragedy. Others still, lose their lives following persecution for the Faith. For all those who have died, in our families, friends and communities both parishioners and clergy and religious, and all whose anniversaries take place, we pray, without ceasing, for their peaceful rest.



Pray for the Sick

Anointing of the sick

We keep all the sick in our constant prayers. For many, pain, medication & worry are daily challenges. Our prayers and our practical support will help us to journey with them as we all reflect the Gospel message of "joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer" (Romans 12: 12).



Blessing of Expectant Parents

If you would like to receive a blessing, please approach the parish clergy before or after Mass or contact the Parish office: (020) 8688 1857

First Holy Communion



Remaining class dates

28th January 2017 Revision
4th February 2017 Confessions
UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED MEETINGS START 10.30AM GATHER IN THE CHURCH

Faith Journey

RCIA 2016/2017

The journey continues Wed 25th Jan, 7.30pm in the parish prayer room. The subject matter is **PRAYER**. All seekers are encouraged to say "yes" to the Call – please join us.

rciacroydon@gmail.com
Ring parish (020) 8688 1857; talk to any of the Clergy; or attend Parish Surgery

Please hold the following dates in your diaries – they are important dates for our Catholics to be and your prayers are needed as they take each step

St. George's RC Cathedral
Sat 4 Mar 2017
Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion
Sat 3 Jun 2017
Mass for new Catholics All welcome

Ordinary Time

A Season Rich in Blessings
Fr. Michael writes

The Seasons of the Liturgical Year are like a mini-series of salvation history. The 6 episode story makes present:

- The ancient longing for the Messiah (**Advent**)
- The fulfilment of God's promise to send a Saviour (**Christmas**)
- The public life and ministry of the Jesus (**Ordinary Time 1**)
- Leading to his Passion & Death (**Lent**)
- The Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus (**Easter time**)
- The fulfilled promise of the Father and the Son to send the Holy Spirit to guide us until the end of the world when Christ will come again in glory (**Pentecost/Ordinary Time 2**)

Today is the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
22nd January 2017



Christian Unity Week
(18th to 25th January)

God has given to each of us a potential to be developed. There is a promise in us yet to be fulfilled. Jesus came, bringing for everyone; it will be ours when we follow like Peter and the others who lived in Galilee.

Pope Francis the First



New Year Resolution List

1. don't gossip
2. finish your meals
3. make time for others
4. choose the more humble purchase
5. meet the poor "in the flesh"
6. stop judging others
7. befriend those who disagree
8. make commitment – such as marriage
9. make it a habit to 'ask the Lord'
10. be happy

Missionary Intention

EVANGELIZATION: CHRISTIANS AT THE SERVICE OF

THE CHALLENGES OF HUMANITY

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



WELCOME TO THE PARISH

- Please introduce yourself/your family at the end of Mass
- fill in & return a parish registration card

If anyone is joining us this weekend and would like to make the Parish your home, we would love to have you. Parish Registration cards are at the entrance tables of the Church. Please complete and hand it to the Clergy or post through the Parish house letter box.



Mass Ushers Welcome Ministry

Would you like to be an usher? We are starting-up again, our appeal to build up a Parish Team to welcome parishioners and visitors to Masses. On days of funerals and weddings, it would be good to have welcomers. The last Saturday of the month is designated as Baptism Day; sometimes, we can have hundreds of visitors. On First Fridays, when we welcome many hundreds of sick and infirmed, our numbers swell. Please think about it. We shall have a meeting soon to try and put this into practice. Thank you.



Offertory Procession

Would your family like to take the gifts down at Offertory time. Maybe you requested the Mass intention or the Mass for a loved one? The sign up sheet is held in the Sacristy for completion. Please do check on the day with ushers/welcomers so that they are aware of your role. Any enquiries, please contact the Parish office. Thank you.



Sunday Bidding Prayers

4 parishioners have come forward to help with the Bidding Prayers which are read at Sunday Masses. If you feel this is your calling, please e-mail your details to the Parish office. A meeting with the Deacon/Clergy will be arranged very shortly. Thank you



Communication

Please also see our parish noticeboard for further details and many other notices & events. Have you checked our Parish web site recently? We are still asking for your suggestions as to how we can improve it. Please let us know – thank you.

Parish Shop

Many thanks to our parish team for running the Parish shop. We sell Catholic newspapers, Bibles, prayers, books, Rosaries, Crucifixes, medals, children's books and much more. Why not pay the shop a visit – opening times are on the front of this newsletter.

Offertory Envelopes – Gift Aid

If you are a regular parishioner and would like to use the weekly offertory envelopes, simply contact the office and we will assign a set to you. By using gift-aid, you help in a special way which is much appreciated. Gift-aid forms are available at the back of the Church. Large donations can be gift-aided. Please let us know if you would like guidance. Thank you.

Don't forget

Please turn off your mobile phone. You do not need it to talk to God – besides it would disturb our praying community.

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| | Music @ Masses @ St. Mary's | Join us and you'll be "praying twice" (St. Augustine) |
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| 22 Jan (4 th Sun of month) | 9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm | Cantor/organist Filipino Choir Main choir & musicians |
| 29 Jan (5 th Sun of month) | 9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm | Cantor/organist Male Voice Choir Main choir & musicians |
| 5 Feb (1 st Sun of month) | 9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm | Cantor/organist Ugandan Community Choir Main choir & musicians |
| 12 Feb (2 nd Sun of month) | 9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm | Cantor/organist Latin Choir Main choir & musicians |
| 17 Feb (3 rd Sun of month) | 9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm | Children & Young People Latin Choir Young Adults |

We welcome

new singers & musicians
Would you like to sing or play? You just need a willingness to serve Him through music, recognising and sharing the gift. Please make contact, as below:

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| Children & Young people (Penny) |
| Filipino Community Choir (Leo & Agnes) |
| Latin Choir (Penny) |
| Main choir & musician group (Eldon) |
| Male Voice Choir (Eldon & Penny) |
| Ugandan Community Choir (Assumpta & Juliette) |
| Young Adults (18+) (Matt & Eldon) |