

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

## 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A ~ 26<sup>th</sup> February 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 25 <sup>th</sup> February		Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March St. Chad, Bishop & St. Nicholas Owen		Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> March St. Casimir	
<b>Our Lady of the Holy Land</b>		10.00am	Predade Da Costa, RiP	10.00am	Our Priests & Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life in our Parish
7.00pm	Ngozi, Stella Nwataralil and Michael Ogakwu, RiP	12.10pm	Ina Cunningham, RiP	7.00pm	Celsus & Rebecca Ikeyi, RiP
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time		First Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent	
8.00am	John Bergin, RiP	10.00am	Maria Rebello, RiP	8.00am	Bridget D'Souza, RiP
9.15am	People of the Parish	12.10pm	The sick & housebound Anointing of the Sick	9.15am	Otilia Louisa Fernandes, RiP
10.45am	Mary O'Brien, RiP	6.00pm	Stations of the Cross	10.45am	Gobnait Gleeson, Wellbeing
12.15pm	Patsy O'Shea & Family Wellbeing	7.00pm	Holy Mass	12.15pm	Monica Dubier, In thanksgiving
3.00pm	Maria Varela RiP	<b>Wednesday Word for Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Mar</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading ● Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading ● Romans 5: 12, 17-19 Gospel ● ☩ Matthew 4:1 - 11 ☩ Prepare for next Sunday by looking at the Readings. It's suitable for all with special editions for children available from the tables at the back of the Church		3.00pm	People of the Parish
6.00pm	Luis Da Costa Ferreina, RiP			4.30pm	Spiritual Reflection & Adoration
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February Tyburn Martyrs		6.00pm	Benediction	5.40pm	Benediction
10.00am	The Rizzoli Family Intentions	6.00pm	Oscar & Melba Fernandes Special intention		
12.10pm	Sapiencia Noronha, RiP	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Parish Surgery</p> <p>NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED</p> <p><b>Mondays @ 4.30pm to 7pm</b>  <b>Thursdays @ 9.30am to 11.30am</b>                      &amp; 5pm to 6.30pm</p> </div>			
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><i>If you would like to hold Our Lady's Hand, Hold the Rosary</i></p> </div>		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Our Parish Shop</b> <b>Opening Times</b></p> <p>Sat: 6pm to 8pm &amp; Sun: 8am to 1pm                      Wed: 10.30am to 12pm &amp; First Fridays: 10.30am to 3pm</p> </div>	
10.00am	✠ Funeral Mass ✠ Adebayo Akanji, RiP				
12.10pm	Marie Hardy Family In thanksgiving				
1 <sup>st</sup> March Ash Wednesday St. David, Bishop (Patron Saint of Wales)					
8.00am	Fr. Andrew Fernandes, RiP				
10.00am	The Rizzoli Family Intentions				
12.10pm	Master Godwin C Uchendu - Birthday				
5.00pm	Remi Pereira, RiP				
7.00pm	Silvestro Fortuna, RiP				

## ✠ Eternal Rest ✠

Your prayers are asked for those in our parish family who have passed away. We offer their family and friends our prayers and deepest condolences during this tender time.

### Adebayo AKANJI, RiP



Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February @ 10am

### Leslie Nathaniel BREVITT, RiP

Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March @ 10am

May their souls, those of all the deceased and those whose anniversaries take place at this time, enjoy eternal rest.

## The Sacraments

	<b>Pray for the Sick</b>
<b>First (1<sup>st</sup>) Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</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	
10.45am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11.00am Confessions	
12.10pm Holy Mass with Anointing after Communion	

## Our Parish Children and their Sacraments

### Baptism



Congratulations to the families of the infants and toddlers baptised this weekend. 9 families all came together for this vital Sacrament of initiation. We also had a good number last weekend. Please pray for all the newly Baptised that they will always follow the Light of the world, Christ.

### First Holy Communion



The children's preparation classes for receiving Holy Communion for the first time are well underway. Parents/carers are asked to please note:

- classes resume on Sat 4 Mar, 10.30am in the Church
- please bring the First Holy Communion book on that day

## Faith Journey

RCIA 2016/2017

The journey continues Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar, 7.30pm in the parish prayer room. The Faithseekers continue with learning about the Sacraments.

[rciacroydon@gmail.com](mailto:rciacroydon@gmail.com)

Ring parish (020) 8688 1857; talk to any of the Clergy; or attend Parish Surgery  
Key dates

### Scrutiny Mass dates at St. Mary's

(1<sup>st</sup>) 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent: 19<sup>th</sup> Mar  
(2<sup>nd</sup>) 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: 26<sup>th</sup> Mar  
(3<sup>rd</sup>) 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr

The Faithseekers will be visibly present at the Scrutiny Masses during the Season of Lent. The actual Mass times are to be arranged, but in the meantime, have you found out what a Scrutiny Rite in the Mass will mean for them and YOU as the parish community?

### 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

## Parish Life

	<b>Mass Ushers Welcome Ministry</b>
	
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	

People are slowly coming forward for the above parish ministries. Thank you. Those volunteering, please also contact the parish office for a volunteer form. Thank you.

**Pastoral letter:** Archbishop Peter Smith has written for us all this weekend, to be read at all Sunday Masses. Some spare copies are at the back of the Church and you can also download from link <http://rcsouthwark.co.uk/>

**Diocesan Collection:** at all Masses today for the poorer parishes. Your support is very much appreciated. Thank you.

**Knights of St. Columba meet on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb** at 8pm in the parish prayer room. All men are very welcome to attend and to meet the new leaders.

**SVP Raffle Tickets:** these are on sale Sundays, 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> March. More next week, but your support for the important work by our parish group, is very much appreciated.

	<b>Music @ Masses</b>	<b>@ St. Mary's</b>
26 Feb (4 <sup>th</sup> Sun of month)	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Filipino Choir Main choir & musicians
5 Mar (1 <sup>st</sup> Sun of month)	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Ugandan Choir Main choir & musicians

## Pope Francis



### Unemployment

"I hope (regarding unemployment) [for] ... a positive solution through an incisive commitment by everyone to open paths of hope..."

(Holy Father, Italy, Sep 2016)

### A prayer for the unemployed

O God, who made us in your image, You call us to live in community, Caring for all, but especially those in need. Look with love on those of us who are unemployed, who are underemployed who are called to be supportive community. Help us to enjoy life together, realizing we are the Body of Christ. Help us to understand what kind of help we need to offer one another, respecting the dignity of each person, realizing the need of all to be full participants in society, To find meaningful work that sustains life. Guide the leaders of our country, that they may take wise decisions which will benefit us all. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Also, you can seek the intercession

of the Patron Saints:

St. Cajetan, (of the unemployed)

St. Joseph, The Worker, (of the employed)

St. Jude special care for the unemployed is

prayed for at the National Shrine

## St. Mary's Catholic High School

We are very pleased to share with you that our High School, (having been awarded Secondary School of the Year for 2016) has now achieved an OFSTED 2017 result of



Very well done to the Head Teacher Mr Patrick Shields together with the Senior Leadership and Middle Leaders Teams and all school staff. The students have done themselves proud, by responding to the strong and constantly improving teaching and learning practices of the school in a Christian community environment where they feel "secure, confident and happy".

Congratulations to all and to their families whose role, example and support is integral to their children's success. Please keep the whole school community in your prayers. And as the school goes from strength to strength, we give thanks to God for this "Good News"!

## Lent at St. Mary's

### Ash Wednesday: 1<sup>st</sup> March

Ashes will be distributed at all

Masses: 8am, 10am,

12.10pm, 5pm and 7pm

A day of fasting & abstinence

### Deanery & Diocesan

### Lenten Reflection Evenings x 3

### St. Mary's Parish Centre

7pm for 7.30pm

Weds: 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar,

St. Mary's will be hosting some of the

**Wednesday Lenten Reflection**

**Evenings.** It's a great opportunity to

prepare for Lent as a community and

to meet others from the Deanery &

Diocese. It is suitable for all and

everyone is invited. Please hold the

dates and let us make the Lenten

Journey together.

### Each Friday in Lent

Stations of the Cross @ 6pm

Holy Mass @ 7pm

### CAFOD Family Fast Day

Fri 10 Mar – please use the

envelopes available on the tables

as you enter

### Sundays in Lent

Spiritual Reflection & Adoration @

4.30pm

Benediction @ 5.40pm

### Mothering Sunday

26<sup>th</sup> March @ 10.45am Mass

Blessing of Children

### Croydon University Hospital

### Lenten Masses @ 12 noon

Ash Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Mar

Mondays: Mar: -5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

Apr: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

## Faith Events

(in London)

<b>Wed @ 7.30pm</b> <b>Mar: 7, 21</b> (remainder dates)	<a href="http://www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith">www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith</a> "Reasons for Believing"
<b>Sat 11 Mar 2017</b> <b>CYMFED</b>	Flame Event Wembley 14 to 21 age range See our parish web site
<b>Fri 3 Mar</b> <b>Women's World Day of Prayer</b>	Prayer Service @ St. Michael's, Poplar Walk, Croydon 1.30pm then Our Lady of Annunciation, Addiscombe @ 8pm

## Advance Diary Date

### Invite for Men

**Sat 8 Apr 2017**

We plan to have a whole day retreat for all men here at St. Mary's. **It will be led by the Cor et Lumen Christi Community in our Parish Centre with Fr. Angelus.** Proposed time is 8am to 5pm, but please watch and listen for updates.