
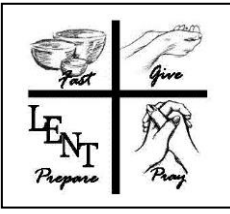




St. Mary's Catholic Church ~ Our Lady of Reparation

1st Sunday of Lent ~Year A ~5th March 2017

<p>70 Wellesley Road, Croydon CR0 2AR Tel: (020) 8688 1857 E-mail: parish@saint-mary.org.uk Web site: www.saint-mary.org.uk Live internet Camera: 7am-10pm Church Opening Times: 7am-7pm</p>	<p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</p>  <p>Wednesdays 12.45pm to 2pm Saturdays 10.30am to 12pm First Fridays 10.45am to 3pm</p>  <p>Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturdays @ 12 noon</p>	<p>Rev. Fr. Michael Scanlon (Parish Priest) Fr. Simplicio D'Souza (Assistant Priest) Fr. Celestine Ekwueme (Assistant Priest) Rev. Vincent Morrison (Permanent Deacon)</p> <hr/> <p>☒ Sunday Mass times ☒ 7pm (Saturday) 8am., 9.15am., 10.45am., 12.15pm., 3pm., & 6pm</p>  <p>Daily Mass times Monday to Friday • 10am & 12.10pm Saturdays • 10am</p>
<p>Confession times <u>Saturdays</u> 10.30am ~11.30am 6pm ~ 7pm <u>First Friday</u> 10.30am ~2pm (and at call)</p>		
<p>Prayer times Rosary • 9.40am • Monday to Friday Morning Prayer • 9.40am • Saturdays</p>		

Saturday 4 th March		Thursday 9 th March		Saturday 11 th March	
7.00pm	Celsus & Rebecca Ikeyi, RiP	10.00am	Mr & Mrs Gallen, Intentions	10.00am	Mary Kirby, RiP
Sunday 5th March 1st Sunday of Lent		12.10pm	Dominico Sartori, RiP	7.00pm	Peter Byrne, In thanksgiving
8.00am	Bridget D'Souza, RiP	Friday 10th March CAFOD Lenten Family Fast Day		Sunday 12th March 2nd Sunday of Lent	
9.15am	Otilia L Fernandes, RiP	10.00am	C D'Monte, 80 th Birthday	8.00am	Teresa Cleary, RiP
10.45am	Gobnait Gleeson, Wellbeing	12.10pm	Dulciconia Noronha, RiP	9.15am	Phyllis Blades, RiP
12.15pm	Monica Dubier, In thanksgiving	6.00pm	Stations of the Cross	10.45am	Matthias Ozogolu (Senior) RiP
3.00pm	People of the Parish	7.00pm	For your intentions	12.15pm	Nicholas Watters, RiP
4.30pm	Spiritual Reflection & Adoration	<p>Wednesday Word for Sun 12th Mar 1st Reading ● Genesis 12: 1 - 4 2nd Reading ● 2 Timothy 1: 8 - 10 Gospel ● Matthew 17: 1 - 9 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</p>		3.00pm	People of the Parish
5.40pm	Benediction			4.30pm	Spiritual Reflection & Adoration
6.00pm	Oscar & Melba Fernandes Special intention			5.40pm	Benediction
Monday 6th March				6.00pm	Alice Henessy, Wellbeing
10.00am	Clarence Fernandes, RiP			 <p><i>If you would like to hold Our Lady's Hand, Hold the Rosary</i></p>	
12.10pm	Gassen Seevathian, RiP				
Tuesday 7th March St. Perpetua & St. Felicity, Martyrs		 <p>Parish Surgery</p> <p>NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED</p> <p>Mondays @ 4.30pm to 7pm Thursdays @ 9.30am to 11.30am & 5pm to 6.30pm</p>			
10.00am	Hilda Guordy, Wellbeing				
12.10pm	Vincent Fernandes, RiP			 <p>Our Parish Shop Opening Times Sat: 6pm to 8pm & Sun: 8am to 1pm Wed: 10.30am to 12pm & First Fridays: 10.30am to 3pm</p>	
Wednesday 8th March St. John of God, Religious					
10.00am	November Deceased List				
12.10pm	Stanley O'Shea, RiP				

FAITHSEEKERS/RCIA 2016/17

Congratulations to our soon to be new Catholics. They attended the Rite of Election this weekend (March 4th) at St. George's Cathedral – a naming & calling service of prayer and Liturgy for them, their families, sponsors, god-parents, clergy and the whole community. They joined over 500 others from across the Southwark Diocese. They are now all ELECT & CONTINUING THE CALL TO CONVERSION as they journey to Easter; this is what they said about the day... *"blessed & thankful", "a very special day", "Am very grateful as this journey has been very successful...", "I am glad that I am participating...", "I feel good and blessed", "I feel blessed and my soul is overwhelmed today..."*

✦ Peaceful Rest ✦

Fr. Michael CLIFTON, RiP
Fr. David HUTTON, RiP

With regret, we announce the death of these good and faithful priests of our Archdiocese. May they rest in peace.

Fr. Andrew FERNANDES, RiP

We remember with prayerful love and affection, the late Fr. Andrew. We continue to offer spiritual support to his brother Michael as he returns to India with the ashes of Fr. Andrew. Please do sign the book of condolence if you have not had a chance. This is very tender time for the family as they are now mourning the passing away of a sister-in-law, who died in India on Mar 3rd.

Paddy MAGUIRE, RiP

Croydon Crematorium

Tuesday 14th March @ 11.30am

Leslie Nathaniel BREVITT, RiP

Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's

Thursday 16th March @ 10am

William (Jack) McVicker RiP

Funeral Mass @ St. Mary's

Monday 20th March @ 10am

St. Mary's Catholic High School and our Parish, are sad to learn of the sudden death (Feb 27th) of a retired but much loved and good servant of the school. Jack served as Chairman of Governors alongside the retired Head Teacher, Ejiro Ughwujabo. His role will be long remembered. May his family and friends be blessed by our prayers and Masses.

Marina AHIMBISIBWE, RiP

Funeral details to be arranged

Please pray for the eternal rest of Marina who died quite suddenly on Feb 28th. She is mother to Germain and Angel-Gabriel (6yrs & 7yrs respectively) and wife to Robert. The children attend our infant and junior schools and so we pray for school communities, the surviving family and all who mourn Marina's passing.

Kathleen (Kathy) KEOHANE, RiP

Funeral Mass @ St. Marys

Date & time to be arranged

Many of us will remember Kathy who was a longstanding parishioner and Eucharistic Minister. She was called to eternal life on Mar 3rd. We offer her family and her many friends, our sympathy and we shall keep her in our prayers.

May the souls of all who have died and those whose anniversaries take place at this time, enjoy eternal rest.

The Sacraments



Comfort the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick always with us and a good number of us will enter the world of sickness as we leave earthly life. Praying for the sick is a vital ministry – a work of mercy, we can all do.

Our Parish Children 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 resumed on 4 Mar, and will continue next Sat, 11 Mar, gathering first at 10.30am in the Church

Faith Journey

RCIA 2016/2017

The journey continues Wed 8th Mar, 7.30pm in the parish prayer room. The group are learning about the Sacraments.

rciacroydon@gmail.com

Ring parish (020) 8688 1857;

talk to any of the Clergy; or

attend Parish Surgery

They 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?

Key dates

Scrutiny Mass dates at St. Mary's

3rd Sunday of Lent: 19th Mar

4th Sunday of Lent: 26th Mar

5th Sunday of Lent: 2nd Apr

St. George's RC Cathedral

Sat 3 Jun 2017 @ 11am

Mass for new Catholics All welcome

Parish Life



Mass Ushers
Welcome
Ministry



Offertory Procession

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.

SVP Raffle Tickets

On sale TODAY : Sunday, 5th March and next week, 12th March. Your support for the important work by our parish group, is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Gift Aid Donors

2017/18 Tax Year

Calling all signed up Gift Aid Donors - YOU DON'T NEED TO SIGN UP AGAIN. The 2017/2018 tax year gift aid boxes of envelopes for Sunday offertory collection, will be given out following all Masses during the weekends 11th/12th Mar and again 18th/19th Mar 2017. Please arrange to collect your new envelopes during these dates. PLEASE COLLECT YOUR NEW BOX EVEN IF YOU STILL HAVE ENVELOPES REMAINING IN YOUR PRESENT BOX. Anyone wanting to join the scheme please see us at the table where we will be distributing the new boxes. Could all Standing Order donors also come and collect envelopes for the Diocesan 2nd Collections throughout the coming year. Thank you.

Our Parish Group UCM

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Members of the Union of Catholic Mothers represented the Parish at two services for World Women's Day of Prayer on Friday. (WWDP) The service included hymns, prayers, readings, stories and art prepared by the women of the Philippines on the theme of 'Am I Being Unfair To You?' Please visit the web site for more information: <http://www.wwdp.org.uk> or contact our parish group by UCM e-mail.

Men on Fire "Freedom" Sat 8 Apr 2017

We are very pleased to confirm that we are hosting a **WHOLE DAY RETREAT FOR MEN**

- Led by the Cor et Lumen Christi Community
- in St. Mary's Parish Centre
- 8.30am to 9.30pm
- Clergy Lead: Fr. Angelus Houle and the Community founder, Damian Stayne plus guest-speaker, John Pridmore

This is a "first" event of this type here at St. Marys and **ALL MEN** in the parish are invited to be the **FIRST** to receive the Freedom of the Fire! See our parish notice board, web site and the leaflet for the token £10 registration/booking form.

The Season of Lent

Deanery & Diocesan

Lenten Reflection Evenings x 3

St. Mary's Parish Centre

7pm for 7.30pm

Weds: 8th, 15th & 22nd Mar,

St. Mary's will be hosting **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 take and use the envelopes available on the tables as you enter and return in the offertory Sunday collection of 12 Mar.

Sundays in Lent

Spiritual Reflection

& Adoration @ 4.30pm

Benediction @ 5.40pm

Mothering Sunday

26th March @ 10.45am Mass



Blessing of Children

Croydon University Hospital

Lenten Masses @ 12 noon

Mondays: Mar: 6th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Apr: 3rd & 10th

	Music @ Masses	@ St. Mary's
5 Mar (1st Sun of month)	9.15am 10.45am 12.15pm	Cantor/organist Ugandan Choir Main choir & musicians
ADVANCE NOTICE – MEN SINGERS		
30 Apr (5 th Sun of month)	10.45am	Male Voice Choir (MVC) 

Faith Events

Wed @ 7.30pm Mar: 7, 21 (remainder dates)	www.faith.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith (London) "Reasons for Believing"
Sat 11 Mar 2017 CYMFED	Flame Event Wembley 14 to 21 age range See our parish web site
Good Friday 14th Apr Walk of Witness (Croydon) Please contact Toni Suffolk (Tel: 0208 654 9035 or 07786 935 554)	Take part in the re-enactment of the Crucifixion, Central Croydon. Needed singers, strong men & actors, narrator, 'weeping' women at the Cross, stewards and people to hand out leaflets. Make contact for details & rehearsal arrangements.