



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Weekdays after 10am Mass Every Saturday at 5pm Or by appointment

7th October 2018 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 140 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR B

URGENT! URGENT! URGENT!

There is a shortage of people prepared to offer themselves as Governors in our Catholic Schools. St. Thomas Becket has vacancies for three governors (two Foundation Governors) to serve on the main Governing Body and two of its various sub committees. Without proper governance an 'Outstanding' school can find itself in 'special measures' almost overnight, so this is a situation we need to be addressing as a matter of urgency.

Do you have a head for finance, or a background in HR, are you concerned to maintain the system of Catholic Education in this country? Are you just passionate about providing the best possible start for our children as they embark upon their school careers? Have you time on your hands and have been wondering how you might make a broader contribution to the life of the Church?

LOOK NO FURTHER.

If you are interested please speak to Fr. Keith after the Mass, or contact the school direct to arrange a meeting with the Head Teacher. Incidentally, an appeal for the same has also been made for St. Chad's in South Norwood.

Please ensure that you use the correct new email address when contacting the parish office, as the old address is about to become obsolete. Thank you.

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Mass Intentions This Week

6 October: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service

18:00 Mr & Mrs Mathiyas RIP

7 October:

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 UCM: All Refugees

12:00 Paddy & Barbara Joyce RIP

8 October: Monday

10:00 Christine & Family's Private Intentions

9 October: Tuesday

10:00 Theodora Maria &

Henry Edward Lake RIP

10 October: Wednesday

10:00 Freddy D'Silva RIP

11 October: Thursday

10:00 Adrienne & Lance Baptiste RIP

12 October: Friday

10:00 Pacome RIP

13 October: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service

18:00 Tommy McHale RIP

14 October:

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Wellbeing of Breda Dolan

10:00 Deceased Members of

The McCormack Family RIP

12:00 James Leigh RIP 5th Anniversary +

+ *With Baptism*

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 9th at 10.30am (Large Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 9th at 8pm (PRC)

CHURCH CLEANING

TEAM D

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 603.24
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 689.57
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£ 2267.81

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for *The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver* amounted to £568.43. Many thanks. Next week there is a retiring collection for *CAFOD Family Fast Day* - please use the envelopes in the porch. (Gift Aid-able)

We pray for the sick in our Parish: *Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Ted Curry, Margarete Collins, Phyllis Donnelly, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Fr Alan Sharpe, Will McCardie, Kathleen Ryan, Marc Simpson*

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: *Walter D'Rose, Raffaele Farina, Eustace Andrews, Jeanette McCarthy, John Wren, Marcella Griffin, Joan Dover, Keith McSweeney, George Dillon, James Duggan, Mary Leadbetter, Simon Yong, Josie Reid, Sally Turner, Archbishop Cyril Cowderoy, Hazel White, Thomas Lally, Harry Casey, John Kennedy, Alice Louise Piney, Bridget Bates, Ilana Imregi, Margaret Cameron, Elaine Brooker, Elsie Dadswell, Daniel W. White, Alan Motts, Syd Wyatt, Lily Margaret Harley*

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment

Sunday, 7th October: Theresa Rogers
Sunday, 14th October: The Duets
Sunday, 21st October: Eugene Doonan
Sunday, 28th October: Tom Healy
Sunday, 4th November: TR Dallas
Sunday, 11th November: Pat Hayes

Congratulations to Emer Cruikshank & her team for facilitating a most enjoyable Buffet & Dance for our Senior Citizens last weekend. During the event a raffle was held; £450.00 was raised for St Christopher's Hospice.

Tickets for the *Freddie Mercury Tribute Evening* on Friday, 19th October are now on sale at the Social Club. All proceeds from this event will be given to the *PICU (Paediatric Intensive Care Unit) at the Royal Brompton Hospital*. You can also support this event by donating items for the Raffle/ Auction. Tickets can also be reserved by calling **Ben Cahill** on **07958 903410**.

Coming soon

Declan Nerney: Friday, 30th November

Tina Turner Tribute Evening: Friday, 18th January

Mick Flavin: Friday, 15th March

WANTED: A LIFT TO MASS!

One of our parishioners, Dave Freegard of Alderton Rd, is in need of a lift to Mass each week. Sunday mornings at 8.30am would be the preferred time, however Dave would be grateful to attend any Mass at all. If you can help please call him on **020 8656 3024**. Thank you.

ARMISTICE CENTENARY AT OUR LADY'S

On 11th November there will be a series of events to mark the centenary of the Armistice - 100 years since the end of the First World War. At Our Lady's we would like to remember in our own way with an exhibition and small service of remembrance included in the 10am mass. It is important to say 'Thank You' to the First World War generation who helped to shape our world as we know it today.

We would like to ask you to contribute memories, photos, art work, artefacts, or other creative items for a display on the impact of the Great War on our families and community. This will be displayed in the Church. We would also like to invite all our community groups to contribute in their own way, either in our exhibition or as part of the Mass. If you would like to help me coordinate this please contact me, Clare Buxton, on **0777 978 2275** or at clare@teambuxton.co.uk

ST MILDRED'S DROP-IN: For the Homeless is open every Sunday and provides a safe, caring environment for all those in need. As well as friendship and support, practical help such as hot food, showers and clean clothes are provided. With winter approaching, more volunteers are needed to ensure that this vital local service continues. If you are interested in helping, or just want more information, please contact me - shirleyrowe25@hotmail.com

MONSTER MASH DISCO

Friday 3rd November 7 - 10pm Large Hall

Come along and have a fun family night and help the guides raise money for their Switzerland trip! Entry is **£5** per person. For tickets, please contact **Joanna** on **07793 826103**. Prize for best dressed up!

HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE: Child abuse is a shocking reality in our society. How to deal with it? How to recognise it? How to cope with it? What should you do? Find out the answers to those questions at a talk organised by the Newman Association being given on **Monday 15th October** at **St John the Baptist** church hall, Purley. The speaker is Fr Dominic Allain and it starts at **8pm**. Everyone is welcome.

Items for collection: Dr A X Horbury, L Padain, E Thompson, G Slater, Mr & Mrs Achilleas, Mrs L Williams, Baptism Team, C Wallace, Z Southgate, S Turner

Baptism certificates: E Kidd

Rotas: Readers (Sept/Oct) Repository (Sept/Oct) Eucharistic Ministers (October) Servers (October)

THE AUTUMN FAYRE SUNDAY 7th OCTOBER FROM 1PM

The Autumn Fayre takes place this weekend. We are very grateful for the excellent support that we have received for the Fayre over the last few weeks. All of the funds raised will be given to a number of charities that the Parish supports throughout the year including; *Croydon University Hospital Children's Cancer Ward*, *Brain Tumour Charity*, *New Addington Homeless Outreach*, *Sr Ann's Education Project in Kenya*, *SVP Conference and the Woodside Bereavement Service*.

We will have a large selection of stalls for both children and adults. At the Fayre, we will provide your Sunday Lunch with an extensive range of catering stalls from Curries, International Cuisine, the Barbecue, Tea, Coffee and homemade baking.

A very popular feature of the Fayre will be the Dog Show, which will commence at 2.30pm; we hope to have at least 20 dogs for the show

We have now distributed 500+ books of Raffle Tickets for you to take home to sell to your family & friends - *completed counterfoils, monies and unsold tickets must be returned by 2.00pm on Sunday*. The Draw will take place at 3.00pm.

With your support, we can have a very enjoyable day and raise funds for charities that we support from the Parish.

TEA TOWEL APPEAL: We are in urgent need of tea towels in our hall kitchens. Please donate any old/spares you may have. Thanks.

REPOSITORY 2019

Catholic diaries are now on sale, costing either £1.95 or £2.99. Christmas cards will be on sale at the Autumn Fair. From early November the cards, calendars, cribs and many other 'Christmassy' items will be on sale in the shop.

COLOMA PARENTS' ASSOCIATION AUTUMN BALL Saturday 3rd November 7pm - 1am

The Coloma Parents' Association Autumn Ball is being held at Hilton Hotel, Croydon, CR9 4HH. Tickets are priced at £50 which includes a welcome drink, a 3 course meal, half a bottle of wine per person, live entertainment from Aloma Music. For tickets please email coloma.pa@hotmail.co.uk.

CALLING WRITERS, SINGERS, COOKS AND CRAFTSPEOPLE, YOUNG AND OLD!

The Shirley Talent Festival is now open for entries - for a copy of the Syllabus with details of the various classes and the age ranges involved in each please contact me at andy.bebington@gmail.com.

The Talent Festival in Shirley will be on **2nd March 2019** at Shirley Methodist Church. **Entries by 11th November** to me, please (with 50p entry fee per class). This will involve singers and singing groups/choirs, writing short stories, reading aloud, cooking, and assorted crafts. Andy Bebington

CATENIAN SIXTH FORM PUBLIC SPEAKING: The Province 7 heat of this competition will take place at **Bishop Thomas Grant School on Wednesday 10th October from 5pm**. Refreshments will be served. If you need wheelchair access please contact John Woodhouse johnwoodhousecat@gmail.com or **07908 888586** (by text) **8653 2373** in advance.

OCTOBER ROSARY

During the month of October, the Rosary Devotions to Our Lady will be said after the 10am Mass each morning from Monday to Thursday. Everyone is welcome to join in this traditional homage to Mary. The Holy Rosary will also continue to be said before Mass as usual. Please note there will NOT be Rosary in the evening.