



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment



9th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 114 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

The readings today remind us that God often comes to us, not in dramatic events, but in the gentle whisper that speaks to our hearts.

Like Elijah, we are invited to be still and attentive so that we can recognize God's presence even in moments of silence and uncertainty.

St. Paul's deep love and concern for his people challenge us to have compassionate hearts that desire the salvation and well-being of others.

In the Gospel, Peter's courage to step out of the boat teaches us that faith requires trust even when the path seems impossible. When Peter focuses on the storm instead of Jesus, he begins to sink, reminding us that fear weakens our faith. Yet Jesus immediately reaches out His hand, showing that His mercy is always greater than our doubts and failures.

In the storms of our own lives, Christ continues to say, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." May we learn to listen for God's gentle voice, trust Jesus completely, and walk with unwavering faith every day.

Fr Cajetan

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be **NO NEWSLETTER** on
15th/16th August or 29th/30th August because of the summer break.

The parish office will be closed on Thursday 13th and Friday 14th August due to staff annual leave. Sorry for any inconvenience.

ST JOSEPH'S PEREGRINATION 2/5/26 - 13/3/27

If you would like to participate in our Peregrination, please sign up on the list in the porch. Kindly leave your name and phone number.

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 11th & 18th at 8pm (PRC)

Arts & Crafts Group: Friday 21st August at 2pm (Small Hall)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 654.04
Loose cash	£ 628.17
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1340.00
Total	£ 2622.21

Mass Intentions This Week

8 August: Saturday

SAINT DOMINIC

10:00 Intentions of Kay Devereux

18:00 Alan Walsh RIP 1st Anniversary

9 August: NINETEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Len & Marcella Dickens RIP *

10:00 Angelo Perera & Ranjan Fernando RIP *

11:30 All Parishioners

10 August: Monday SAINT LAWRENCE

10:00 Olive Duggan RIP

11 August: Tuesday SAINT CLARE

10:00 Christopher Cosgrove RIP

12 August: Wednesday

10:00 Flor O'Donoghue RIP

13 August: Thursday

10:00 Ethel Paul RIP

19:30 Lino & Miranda Ghirardini RIP

14 August: Friday

SAINT MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE

10:00 Joseph Dieu Tran & Martha Sam Vu RIP

15 August: Saturday

10:00 Birthday Wishes for Paddy Heskin

18:00 Joan McHugh RIP ~

16 August: SUNDAY (Pg 178 of Mass Book)

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

08:30 All Parishioners ~

10:00 Christopher S. Kanu RIP ~

11:30 Henry & Therese Valapinee RIP
(100th Birthday) + ~

* *With Children's Liturgy*

+ *With Baptism*

~ *With Food Bank Sunday*

*** DEFIBRILLATORS ***

There is a defibrillator located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church, and another on the wall outside the large hall entrance.

COLLECTIONS

This week there will be an ACC second collection for **APF - Red Box Appeal**.

**** Don't forget - Next weekend is Food bank Sunday! Please leave donations in the porch. Thank you. ****

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Jonathan Leiper, Marie Griffin, Christina Cahill, Joseph Anand, Paddy Ryan, Dave Freegard, Lorraine Quinlivan, Mervat Nasri, Holly Bland, Alyssa Jemade, Mary-Jane Watson, Anna Buckley & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Charlotte Agacy, Fr Martin Kensington, Mary Lee, Eileen Turner, Baby Helen Barrett, Ethel Paul, Anne Marie Ryan, Concetta Winchester, Charles Wilson, John Kilkelly, Patrick McKee, Liseby Koo Kui Chin Li, Sophia Cheshier, Dorothy Bertha Martin, Carolina Lopes, Angela Cravato, Anthony Schembri, Lucy Warnock, Augustine Williams, Bob Woodroffe, Winifred Harrington

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

9th August: Shane & Mervyn Owens

16th August: Martin Ruddy

23rd August: Theresa Rodgers

30th August: **Bank Holiday** - Pat Jordan

6th September: Martina & Tommy Maguire - Family Affair

13th September: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

20th September: TR Dallas

27th September: Kenny Paul

- The winners of the **200 Club Across Draw** for July 2026 are:

£100: Sean Conlan

£50: James Doherty

£50: Bernard Canavan

Cheques have been sent to all of the winners.

Anerley ACROSS Golf Day: Friday, 11th September

The event will take place at the Farleigh Golf Club commencing at 11:00am. Coffee, Tea & Bacon Rolls will be provided upon arrival followed by 18 holes of Golf. At the end of the day, Golfers will have sandwiches & chips followed by a Presentation to the winners. The day will conclude with a Raffle & Auction. The cost of the event will be £70.00 per person; a Buggy can be available at an additional cost of £30.00. You can sponsor a Hole at £50.00.

In the evening, there will be a Dance & Supper in the Church Hall. Supper will include Fish & Chips (other alternatives will be available); a vegetarian option will be available. The evening entertainment will be with Effie Neill & Barry Doyle. Admission will be by Ticket only at £20.00. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction.

For more information, please call Ben Cahill on 07958 903410.

Coming soon:

The Dreamettes, an evening of **Motown Hits**: Friday, 16th October.

The Other Guys', leading tributes to **Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons**: Friday, 13th November.

OUR LADY'S AUTUMN FAYRE & FUN DAY Sunday, 27th September

Thank you for your support of **Sales Boards** from **Oaks Estate Agents** to promote the Fayre; we have reached our target of 100 Households!

The **LMB Group, Croydon**: www.lmb-lofts.com (Joanna & Lee Murphy) will sponsor the first prize for the Raffle - £500.00! **Dan O'Donovan: Gardening Services** will sponsor the Cake Stall & **Damian Farnan** will sponsor the Dog Show.

The Fayre will be launched over the weekend of 29th/30th August. **All proceeds from the Fayre will be given to support the major repairs to the Church.**

If you can assist in any way, please contact:
patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk

Next planning meeting: **Tuesday 1st September 8:15pm** (Large hall)

DIVERSITY SUPPORT GROUP

Hello Parishioners and pray your summer is going well. You are warmly invited to our next meeting on **Sunday 16th August at 12.45pm** (after 11.30am Mass) in the **large hall**. We will review our last Big Lunch and discuss future activities so kindly come with your feedback, plus ideas. See you there and thanks in advance. *Sylvia*

*** CLEANER REQUIRED FOR CHURCH HALLS***

(6hr per week - flexible working across 4/5days)

Cleaning and monitoring of all kitchens & toilets
& washing/sweeping all floors

Please speak to Fr Keith to express your interest & for more info

UCM CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT Friday 9th October in the large hall

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start time

Teams of 6 people

Bring Your Own Food/Nibbles (no drinks please)

Raffles / Bar will be open

Tickets £7 per person

All proceeds will go to Croydon Nightwatch

Contact Marie Tross **07774 643159**

Mass Intentions 17th - 23rd August

17 August: Monday

10:00 Birthday Wishes and the Intentions of Emily Okeke

18 August: Tuesday

10:00 James Thacker RIP

19 August: Wednesday

10:00 Wellbeing of Peter D'Cruz

20 August: Thursday SAINT BERNARD FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Iris (Bridget) Elwell RIP

19:30 Brian green RIP

21 August: Friday SAINT PIUS X

10:00 Kathy Attwater RIP 4th Anniversary

22 August: Saturday

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00 Charles Gale RIP

18:00 Bridget Meek RIP

23 August: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY Pg 120 of Mass Book

08:30 Arthur Hughes RIP 1st Anniversary

10:00 Anne France RIP

11:30 Exam Success for Jonathon Green

RECENT DEATH & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT

We are sad to announce the recent death of **Anthony Kennedy**. His funeral will be held here at **Our Lady's on Thursday 27th August at 10am**. Please keep his children, Paul, Irene, Dawn, Brian and their families in your prayers at this very sad time. May he Rest In Peace.

PARISH ASCENT GROUP

Are you an Adult Catholic, perhaps already retired, and interested in some up-to-date on-going Faith Formation? Would you like to strengthen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ?

Could you be free to join us in the Small Hall, on the second and fourth Tuesdays at about 10.45 after 10.00am Mass?

Traditionally we do not meet during August, but begin again, refreshed, on **Tuesday 8th September**.

** REQUESTED ITEMS FOR FOOD BANK SUNDAY **

*fruit juice, long life milk, pasta, pasta sauces, rice,
vegetarian tinned meals, toilet rolls and washing up liquid*

YELO DANCE COMPANY - Celebrating 25 years

If you are looking for a friendly local Dance School to join in September, please contact Miss Lorraine today!

'Yelo' teach classes on a Saturday in the large hall, for all ages from 2 years, in Ballet, Tap, Freestyle/Jazz, Musical Theatre, and Acro Dance.

They are introducing a NEW Wednesday timetable starting in September. This will include a Junior Commercial class, and a Beginner Adult Jazz class.

For more details please contact: Miss Lorraine: 07903 934761

Website: www.yelodancecompany.co.uk

Email: yelodancecompany@gmail.com

SHRUBLANDS FOOD BANK - AN INVITATION

Shrublands Food Bank have invited us to visit them on **Friday 4th September at 10am** at 7 Broom Road, Shirley, Croydon CR0 8NG. The visit will be about an hour. Please contact **Chris** on **sciberraschris7@gmail.com** if you would like to come on the visit or have any questions on other aspects of food banks.

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The new Altar Servers training will be on **Sunday 6th September after 11:30am Mass in the Church**. Please attend with your child, if they have received their First Holy Communion and want to become an Altar Server.

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (August)

Readers: (July/August)

Diocesan Safeguarding Office: **safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk**