



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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

10th February 2019 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 135 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

On Wednesday evening this week I attended, for the first time in ages, the refugee group meeting. Goodness, they have been busy on our behalf! We owe them a great debt of gratitude. The Home Office papers are almost complete; the diocese just needs to fill in their section. The budgets have been drawn up, safeguarding and complaints policies and procedures have been compiled. People have attended courses and training lectures. Those with experience of families who have suffered physical and mental trauma, or families who have no English, or who are uneducated or lack adults with workplace skills have been sourced and are ready to help with their expertise. Health care and educational specialists are prepped and ready to assist should it prove necessary. In short, we have come a long way since Pope Francis first encouraged parishes that are able to assist in the rescue of refugees from the war-torn areas of the Middle East.

Shortly we will be challenged to engage once again as a parish to make this project a reality after all this hard work. There will be another gentle appeal for financial support, and for those with a particular skill set to offer some time. BE READY. Words from the first line of today's opening prayer:

'Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unflinching care,'

Let us play our part, providing unflinching care to a family ravaged by war.

God bless.

K. Keill.

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Ann Marie Christian - 020 8662 0319 or amc@annmariechristian.com

MEETINGS

Diversity Arts & Crafts Group: Monday 11th at 7pm (Small Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 12th at 8pm (PRC)

RCIA: Wednesday 13th at 8pm (PRC)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 10.30am - 8pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

CHURCH CLEANING: Team B

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 550.38
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 633.41
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£ 2158.79

Mass Intentions This Week

9 February: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service

14:30 **FHC RECONCILIATION**

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18:00 Maryla Gomez RIP

10 February: FIFTH SUNDAY

08:30 Paddy & Nora Walsh RIP *

10:00 Tony Borfiga RIP * +

12:00 Int of the Scriberras Family +

14:00 Igbo Community Mass

11 February: Monday

10:00 Sahayarani Sebamalai RIP

12 February: Tuesday

10:00 Healing & Welfare of the Joseph Family

13 February: Wednesday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Eileen Chesher RIP

14 February: Thursday

10:00 Anne & Noellie Adaken RIP

15 February: Friday

10:00 Bernadette Moynihan RIP

16 February: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service

18:00 Jimmy & Sue's Intentions #

17 February: SIXTH SUNDAY

08:30 James & Teresa Cafferkey RIP #

10:00 Marcos Noronha RIP # ~

12:00 Elizabeth (Lill) Conroy RIP # +

+ With Baptism

* With Children's Liturgy

~ With Uniformed Groups

With Foodbank Sunday

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for *The Barnabas Society* amounted to £595.00. Many thanks. Next week there will be a second collection *Racial Justice Sunday*. (Gift Aid-able)

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

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Margarette Collins, Phyllis Donnelly, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Marc Simpson

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Joan Griffiths, Charles Fowley, David Barwell, Catherine Winston, Jean Garner, Margaret Blackford, Judy Maharaj, Tony Borfiga, Kathleen Davies, Mary Ann Gomez, David Holder, Maureen Mary Towner, Sarah Rees, Anthony Cummins, Hilda Chow, Anthony Curry, Chris Pearce, Jack Mulcahy, Catherine Wilson, Edward Scanlon, Bernadette Moynihan, Giuseppe Oriani, Stanley Earl, Walter D'Cruz, John Scanlon, Gordon Thompson, Patrick Joyce

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment.

10th February: Mary Rose & Her Band
17th February: Finbar & Paul
24th February: TR Dallas
3rd March: Theresa Rodgers & Wild Flowers
10th March: Sean Wilson
17th March: Kenny Paul
24th March: The Duets

The Social Club programme for St Patrick's weekend will be as follows:

Mick Flavin & His Band on Friday, 15th March; admission will be strictly by Ticket Only; tickets at £15.00 each are now available in the Church Hall or by calling Ben Cahill on 07958 903410. All proceeds from this event will be given to **Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children**. You can also support this event by donating items for the Raffle & Auction.

Kenny Paul on Sunday, 17th March - St Patrick's Day. The evening will commence at 7.30pm and there will also be a recital by the **Castlereagh Brass & Reed Band**. Admission will be Members: £4.00 and Guests: £5.00.

CAN YOU HELP SOLVE THE MYSTERY?

We would be interested to see if any former guides of the **1st Addiscombe** Wednesday unit remember winning the swimming gala about ten years ago. We are missing two trophies. Any news would be appreciated thank you. Please contact **Clare** on **07779 782275**

ALSO WANTED!

Any old guide uniform gratefully received. Please donate to the parish office thank you.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

At the end of this month I will be handing over to Shooting Star Chase the used postage stamps you have kindly left for me.

If you still have stamps to give in, please place these in the marked collecting box placed on the counter in the porch.

Many thanks to you all.

FREE!

FREE to a good home - Yamaha organ
Dimensions in mm are 1120W x 520D x 880H
Please call **Marie** on **07774 643159**

MANY THANKS: To all those who have prayed and sent their condolences to Stephanie and family. It is greatly appreciated.

'INSPIRE - KIDS' WORKERS CONFERENCE

New Life Croydon is hosting an **'Inspire - Kids' Workers Conference** on **Saturday 16 February from 9.30am - 4.30pm** with special guest speaker, Heather Thompson of Powerpack Ministries. **The conference is free of charge and is open to all those working with children in Croydon churches.**

It will be a time to be inspired and encouraged and an opportunity to network with other local children's workers.

Please see the poster in the porch for more information

MAKATON WORKSHOP FOR CATECHISTS

Saturday 16th February 9am - 5pm

CCF is offering the unique opportunity for Catechists to be introduced to the Makaton language especially within a catechetical context. In this workshop you will learn in brief what the Makaton Language programme is and how it supports communication with a wide range of children, young people and adults that have special communication needs.

All necessary resources will be provided and access to ongoing support from the Makaton Tutor, Mike Harris, who will deliver the workshop.

Please book at: ccftootingbec.org.uk/events/2018/11/3/makaton-workshop-for-catechists

COME - EVERYTHING IS READY!

World Day Of Prayer Friday 1st March 2019 at 7pm

Come and join in the great wave of prayer encircling the globe on the 1st March, together with people in 120 countries around the world! This year the service has been written by the women of Slovenia who share with us their stories and ask that we open our hearts to all to share God's invitation to his table. The service needs readers and singers and anyone who would like to participate is asked please to contact **Anne** on anne.barcellos@btinternet.com.

Men, women and children all welcome!!

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS 2018

Confirmation photographs for the following children can now be collected from **THE SACRISTY**.

Isabella Murphy

Tiffany Huane

QUIZFEST!

Friday 22nd March at 7pm Large Hall

Citizens Advice Croydon is holding a QuizFest in the large hall at 7pm on Friday 22nd March.

Lots of fun, a superb ploughmans, prizes galore, raffle, licensed bar and great quizzes.

Teams of 8, **tickets £10** each from **Andy & Liz Bebington (8777 4840 or lizbeb@gmail.com)** until 20th March or until they've all sold out.

A LIFETIME OF LOVING

You are invited to a celebration of your marriage. However long you have been married, come along to St Teresa's in Ashford, on **9th March 9.45am - 4.30pm**. The day is for couples with average-to-good marriages who want to make them a bit better. Booking essential: **07983 524727** or mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

See the poster in the porch for more details

SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

That is the title of a new resource aimed at those involved in ministry with families, whether in parishes or schools. Commissioned by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, it is being launched on **March 2nd (2-4pm)** at the Centre for Catholic Formation in Tooting Bec. You are invited to attend. The resource is aimed at supporting the pastoral accompaniment of families through the seasons of their lives. More details from the CCF: **020 8672 7684** or email ccfoffice@rcaos.org.uk

Items for collection: C Wallace, N Akinyemi, V Lippet, N Vas (SVP), S Whitworth

Baptism certificates: A Czajor, R Dos Remedios, A Jones, B Mead

Rota: Servers (February)