



# Our Lady of the Annunciation

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Saturday 9.30am and 5.00pm.

13 July 2014 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (see page 102 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

## SEA SUNDAY

Seafarers living and working on board ships have to endure much. They face danger from heavy machinery, constant discomfort on pitching decks. Their accommodation may be cramped and basic. Their fellow crew members can sometimes be too much for them. Yet there is loneliness in their hearts, as the months go past far from home.

Seafarers, perhaps more than most people, need, crave and deserve the strength and comfort of Christian faith and Christian friendship. They tell us that they want to hear the Word of God, and be part of the believing Church. In the short window of opportunity when their ship is in port, they need support that is immediate, practical, personal and also spiritual.

The Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) offers this support, but it offers it as the Church's outreach to this very special and scattered 'congregation'. In major ports and in smaller ones, AoS chaplains and ship visitors bring the Word of God, and the comfort of Christian friendship to lonely seafarers. Our ministry is very local.

But it's not just the coastal parishes that can support AoS. In England, only three out of twenty three dioceses have no access to the sea. Even parishes many miles inland are integral parts of our church as she reaches out with Christ's love to these often forgotten seafarers who visit our shores each year. Ask yourself where you might belong in all this—as a parish contact, a fundraiser, a contributor or by including a gift in your Will, or by your prayerful support? All these are ways of getting alongside our seafarers.

They are always grateful and everywhere so grateful for your generosity towards them on this Sea Sunday.

*Bishop Peter Moran, Scotland's Bishop Promoter*

## Mass Intentions This Week

### Saturday: 12 July

10:00 Kieran Morgan RIP  
 18:00 Flor O'Donoghue RIP

### 13 July: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners ~  
 10:00 Angela Crovato RIP ~  
 12:00 Tony Solle RIP

### Monday: 14 July

10:00 Eucharistic Service

### Tuesday: 15 July

10:00 Michael Semeta RIP

### Wednesday: 16 July

10:00 P J Kavanagh RIP

### Thursday: 17 July

10:00 Brian Mulligan RIP

### Friday: 18 July

10:00 Marie Rocca RIP  
*Eucharistic Adoration for vocations*  
 10.30am - 8pm in Sacred Heart chapel

### Saturday: 19 July

10:00 Julian Kulaga RIP \*  
 18:00 Silver Wedding Anniversary of  
 Graham & Dianne Baker \*

### 20 July: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners \*  
 10:00 Arthur Lawrence RIP + \*  
 12:00 Genevieve Murphy RIP \*

+ With Uniformed Groups  
 ~ With Children's Liturgy  
 \* With Foodbank Sunday

### WEEKLY DRAW

£5 - George Turner

### CHURCH CLEANING

Team C: Mrs Jones

### LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£517.87
Gift Aid Envelopes	£729.61
S/O's	£880.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2127.48</b>

## COLLECTIONS

This week there will be a collection for the **Apostleship of the Sea**. The apostleship of the Sea provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. Next week there will be the monthly **ACA** collection with proceeds going to **Ecuador**. On Sunday, 27 July there will be a collection for **Day for Life**.

**We pray for the sick in our Parish:** *Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Patricia Lyon, William Callow, Audrey Moynihan, Baby Amelia Pond, Emmanuel Antonyraja, Ken Waller, Ted Curry, Phyllis Chopin.*

**We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week:** *Frank Tierney, Eileen Stebbing, Pauline Psaila, Daniel Spiers, Bridgid Gallagher, Dr. Helene La Rue, Sidney Watts, Frank Stebbing, John Noonan, Bridie McHale, Patricia M. White, Alice Connolly, Ben Kudom, Mary Mohammed, Rita Baxter, Christopher Kingman.*

## MEETINGS

**SVP:** Tuesday 15th July at 8.30pm (PRC)

**Ascent Group:** Tuesday 15th at 10.30am (Large Hall)

**RCIA:** Wednesday 16th at 8pm (Church)

**Autumn Fayre Planning:** Wednesday 16th July at 8.15pm (Large Hall)

## SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday, 13th July: **Kevin keys**

Sunday: 20th July: Tom Healy

**RECENT DEATH:** We are sorry to announce the death of Sylvia Nazareth of Shirley Oaks Village. Her funeral will be held here on Thursday 24th July at 10am. Please keep the family in your prayers at this time.

**PARISH BIG DIG:** On Saturday 26 July we will be holding a Parish Big Dig day from 11am to 3pm. The aim is to continue with the wonderful clearance work the Scout Group started and get the flower bed in the back church garden dug over ready for planting. The weeds have started to creep back so we need to get this done. If you can spare an hour please come along with a pair of gloves and a fork or spade to help. Payment will be made in tea and cake! For more information contact Sarah Turner 020 86545086.

**FIRST COMMUNION 2014/2015:** Application forms for First Communion are now available. They can be downloaded from our website, or you can see Fr Joe after Mass for a hard copy. Those at Catholic Schools and finishing year 2 may apply, also those at non Catholic schools who have completed their first year of preparation should apply. Application forms are to be returned by **no later than 20th July 2014**. Please note the first parent's meeting is on Tuesday, 23rd September at 8pm.

### *Autumn Fayre/ Golden Community celebrations*

There will be a planning meeting on Wednesday, 16th July at 8.15pm in the Parish Hall for the Autumn Fayre which will take place on Sunday, 5th October, and the programme for the Jubilee celebrations in December. All members of the Parish Community are invited to attend the meeting.

**PARISH RECYCLING:** The Justice, Peace and Environment Group is delighted with the parish's response to our recycling initiative. Would you please note that batteries go in the bottom box and should not be mixed with the milk-bottle tops.

**FOODBANK COLLECTION:** Next weekend (and every 3rd Sunday in the month) The New Addington Foodbank "The Vine" run by the Salvation Army are extremely grateful for your generous donations of non perishable groceries.

**ASSISTED DYING BILL - PLEASE WRITE TO A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS:** The Bill to legalise "assisted dying" - meaning assisted suicide - will be debated in the House of Lords on 18th July 2014. There will be a free vote because it is not government legislation. If passed, this Bill would place vulnerable people at serious risk. Especially if you have direct experience of caring for a dying person, either as a family member or as a health or social care professional, please write before 18th July to a Peer to tell them your views. For more information, including details of how to write to a Peer, please visit [www.catholicchurch.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill](http://www.catholicchurch.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill)

**CATECHISTS & COMMUNICANTS 2014:** The children & parents of the 2014 communion programme would like to say a huge thank you to Fr Joe and the catechists for all their help and support in preparing them for their First Holy Communion. Remaining gifts for catechists **Cheri, Sue, Irene, Evelyn & Angela**; also party bags for communicants **Erwin, Jude, Curtis & Sonia** can be collected from the sacristy corridor.

**PROPERTY WANTED:** A family of Dad and son are looking for a 2 bedroom home to move into for September, please call Oliver on 07935666388.

**BLOOD DONATIONS:** The next session will be here in our large hall on Monday 28th July. Please call 0300 123 23 23 or visit [blood.co.uk](http://blood.co.uk) to book an appointment and help save someone's life.

**STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? – There is less than 2 weeks left to sign up for Retrouvaille.** Retrouvaille is a programme for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on the 19<sup>th</sup> -21st Sept 2014, email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk); call or text 0797 338 0443 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**CLASS OF 63 SACRED HEART HAMMERSMITH:** If you or anyone you know where in this group we would love to hear from you for a possible reunion. Please contact Carole (nee Agius) on [carole.appleford@gmail.com](mailto:carole.appleford@gmail.com) or 07962171695.

**JOBS:** Please see the notice board in the porch above the newspapers for jobs advertised.

**Items for collection:** I Shaw, G Turner, Nike, D Smith, R Lobo, M Grant.

**Baptism Certs:** C Howell, D Allen, K & C Stewart, C Domenicali, D Mercer, M Bellamy, A Barreto, R O'Neil.