



Our Lady of the Annunciation



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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
 By appointment only

16th August 2020 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary YEAR A

“WHY DID YOU GO TO CHURCH TODAY?”

Someone might ask us. “This isn’t Sunday, its only Saturday.” (15-8-2020) “It’s a holy day of obligation. The feast of the Assumption,” we answer. “Oh,” the person says, and might add, “What’s that?” Most Catholics won’t be questioned about today’s feast. Many Catholics might not even remember it. But you and I do. We have come to Mass to celebrate it. And we know why we are here. Mary, the Mother of God, was assumed body and soul into heaven by her Son Jesus Christ where she was crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth.

The Feast of the Assumption is one of the most important feasts of our Lady. Catholics believe in the Assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven. We believe that when her earthly life was finished, Mary was taken up, body and soul, into Heavenly glory, where the Lord exalted her as Queen of Heaven. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, # 966). The Assumption is the feast of Mary’s total liberation from death and decay, the consequences of original sin. It is also the remembrance of the day when the Church gave official recognition to the centuries-old belief of Christians about the Assumption of their Heavenly mother.

Mary’s Assumption gives us the assurance and hope of our own resurrection and assumption into Heaven on the day of our Last Judgment. It is a sign to us that someday, through God’s grace and our good life, we, too, will join the Blessed Mother in giving glory to God. It points the way for all followers of Christ who imitate Mary’s fidelity and obedience to God’s will.

*** IMPORTANT TRACK & TRACE INFORMATION ***

*Please text your name to this parish telephone number - 07548 868418.
 Many thanks for your cooperation.*

Mass Intentions This Week

15 August: Saturday

10:00 Intentions of Brother Gregory
 17:30 Welfare of Christine Brooks
 18:30 Deo, Ann & Jane Lumala RIP

16 August: SUNDAY

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

09:00 John & Nick Hayward RIP
 10:00 Thanksgiving for Michael & Bina Bowen
 69th Wedding Anniversary
 11:00 Albert Sayers RIP
 12:00 All Parishioners

17 August: Monday

10:00 Kathleen Evans RIP

18 August: Tuesday

10:00 Daniel Farrell RIP

19 August: Wednesday

10:00 Seamus Brady RIP

20 August: Thursday SAINT BERNARD

10:00 Peter You Than Lim RIP
 19:30 Margaret Costello RIP

21 August: Friday SAINT PIUS

10:00 Welfare of Sheila & Pierce Moore

22 August: Saturday

QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00 Alice & Charles Sciberras RIP
 17:30 Agnese Pansa RIP
 18:30 Patricia, Geoffrey & Paul Emson RIP

23 August: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY

09:00 All Parishioners
 10:00 Kieran Morgan RIP
 11:00 Patrick Sinnott
 12:00 Thecla & Ian Sulzdorf RIP



UNFORTUNATELY WE ARE UNABLE TO LIVE STREAM 10AM MASS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST. THIS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR LINKS TO OTHER PARISH’S LIVE STREAMS IN THE MEANTIME.

COLLECTIONS & OFFERTORY

An Offertory box is now located in the church porch if you wish to drop off your donation.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Elizabeth Casey, Jack Burke, Florence Okugbe, Ethan Patel, Fr Alan Sharpe, Eileen McMurray, Karen Pearson

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Lucy Warnock, Augustine Williams, Bob Woodroffe, Winifred Harrington, Herminia Menezes, Daniel Hanley, David Morgan, Sophia Greer, Daniel Farrell, Maria Schenk, Lucrezia Mansi, Roger Gallett, Kenneth Waller, Peter Sutcliffe, Br. Fidelis -Tony Knight, Don Galvin, Anthony Rosemeyer, Frances Mary Murphy, Diana Carrapiett, Antony Sapiano, Thomas Anderson, Elizabeth Neale, Maria Andrews

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

On behalf of the Social Club Committee, I hope that you are all safe and well!

The Annual **ACROSS Golf Classic** (with **Covid-19** restrictions) will take place on Friday, 11th September at the Selsdon Park Golf Club with Tee off times commencing at 11.00am. Coffee on arrival at the Club House, 18 Holes of Golf followed by light refreshments and prize giving. Refreshments will be served outside on the lawn. The cost of the day is £40.00. For more details, please contact Ben Cahill on 07958 903410.

St Mildred's Drop In Centre for the Homeless is closed indefinitely and is unable to receive donations of clothes for men & women. However, please store your bags of clothing at home; they will be needed when the Centre reopens.

More News from *the Social Club* is available on the Facebook site.

If the Social Club Committee can help you in anyway, please make contact with the Parish Office. You may need assistance with shopping, collection of medication, transport to a hospital appointment et al. **No task is too small - please make contact.**

FR KEITH: Is now on his summer break until 23rd August. Fr Jackson is available should you need an appointment etc.

COMPULSORY FACE COVERINGS IN CHURCH

Due to new government guidelines, as of this weekend (**8th August**) it is **compulsory to wear a face covering during Mass**. We are unable to supply masks for everyone each week, so respectfully ask that people provide their own, and wear them during Mass until further notice. Many thanks.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES 2020/2021

APOLOGIES THAT NEW BOXES OF GIFT AID ENVELOPES ARE NOT AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND.

OFFERING A MASS INTENTION: If you wish to offer a Mass intention at this time, please complete the form on our website under the **COVID 19** tab. You can print this off and return it via the parish office letterbox with stipend enclosed, or email it to us directly at addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk. If you choose to email the form we will then contact you once lockdown is lifted regarding the stipend.

PURCHASING MASS CARDS: As the parish office remains closed to the public, if you wish to purchase a Mass card, **you will only be able to do so when the Church is open during the times shown above. Please see Fr Keith or Fr Jackson who can assist you with this.** Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

FLOWER ARRANGERS NEEDED!

Are you good with flowers, creative, or even just willing to help and learn with supervision? Our flower team is shrinking and we need more volunteers to come and help make our church a beautiful place to worship!

If you are willing and able to assist, please email the parish office at addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk and we will pass your information on.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Monday - Friday 9am – 10.50am

Saturday - 9am - 10.30am and 5pm - 7pm

Sunday - 8am – 12.30pm

The church will close between Mass times for cleaning

Sat	5.30pm	Family bubbles only
Sat	6.30pm	Households of 1 or 2 people only
Sun	9.00am	Households of 1 or 2 people only
Sun	10.00am	Family bubbles only
Sun	11.00am	Households of 1 or 2 people only
Sun	12.00pm	Households of 1 or 2 people only

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

THE FRESH FOOD BANK TEAM: In Thornton Heath are looking for drivers to help with weekday deliveries and particularly on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Most deliveries are in the CR7 area, some in West Croydon or Norbury. Pick up is 3pm and all over by 4pm.

If you can help, please contact Pastor Nick Gray.

Email: nickgray@mershamroad.org Tel: 07930 566678

Lord Jesus,

*when you walked with us on earth
you spread your healing power.*

We place in your loving care

all who are affected by Coronavirus.

Keep us strong in faith, hope and love.

Bring relief to our sick, console our bereaved,

protect those who care for us.

We lift our prayer to you Lord,

and trust in your infinite mercy,

as we wait for the daybreak.

Amen.

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES: If you are waiting to receive a Baptism certificate, please ring the Parish office to arrange a suitable time to collect from there. Many thanks.

OUR LADY'S INVITES YOU TO.....

Do you have any questions or doubts about **FAITH AND SACRED SCRIPTURE?**

Your priests are ever ready to clarify at this moment of pandemic. Send an email to the parish office: addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk marked **ASK YOUR PRIEST.**



"For the lips of a priest ought to preserve knowledge, because he is the messenger of the LORD Almighty and people seek instruction from his mouth". (Malachi 2:7)

ASK YOUR PRIEST

STAY ALERT

CONTROL THE VIRUS

SAVE LIVES