



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9am - 3pm Wednesday: Closed

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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

17th February 2019 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 139 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

17 February marks Racial Justice Sunday, which focuses on the experiences of ethnic communities in England and Wales. It is a day on which we all called to earnestly pray for an end to racism and racial inequality in our country. The theme this year is Dignity of Work, looking at how all people must not be exploited or face discrimination and hatred in their work.

Our Gospel today is Luke's delivery of the Beatitudes. Jesus had been announcing that the kingdom of heaven was at hand, and He had been calling for people to repent, telling them that as they listen, the Old Testament prophesies are being fulfilled. Now, in what has been described as the manifesto of His kingdom, Jesus unveils the foundations and character of life in God's kingdom. Here He teaches the ethical guidelines for a life worth of the glory of that Kingdom. Notice it paints a picture alien to that which is promoted by society. Couldn't be more different in fact. The only hint we receive about how to establish the characteristics of The Kingdom is to love, sacrifice, and uphold the needs of the orphan and widow, that is to provide for those who have not. A powerful message on this day.

Fr Keill.

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

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

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 19th at 10.30am (Large Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 19th at 8pm (PRC)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 10.30am - 8pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

CHURCH CLEANING: Team C

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 655.92
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 593.86
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£ 2224.78

Mass Intentions This Week

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 # +

18 February: Monday

10:00 Barbara & Francis Fernandez RIP

19 February: Tuesday

10:00 Nora & Paddy Walsh RIP

20 February: Wednesday

10:00 Intentions of the Scibberas Family

21 February: Thursday

10:00 Deceased Members of the Lavin Family

22 February: Friday

THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER

10:00 Martha Sam Vu RIP

23 February: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service

18:00 Kevin Stromsoe RIP

24 February: SEVENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Deceased Members of the

Catley & Lamberti Families

10:00 Deceased Members of the Braim Family

12:00 Con, Mary & Finbar Kelly RIP +

+ With Baptism

~ With Uniformed Groups

With Foodbank Sunday

COLLECTIONS

This week there will be a second collection **Racial Justice Sunday**. (Gift Aid-able)

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Sheila Minus, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Marc Simpson

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Giuseppe Oriani, Stanley Earl, Walter D'Cruz, John Scanlon, Gordon Thompson, Patrick Joyce, Sister Felicite, Agnes O'Dwyer, Sarah Wright, Dr. Iolo Williams, Irene Griffiths, Sister Mary Cecilia, John DeCaestecker, Eric Houston, Margaret Lock, George Kaazana, Denis Kelleher, Mary McDowell, George Paice, Edmund Claudius, Caroline Assey, Carol Ann Davey, Michael White, Tony Durkan, Jessie Mills, Marshall Henry Weetman, Gerard Chandler, Irene Rodrigues, Rose Childs, Mary Mann, Peter O'Flynn, Elizabeth Comber, Sian O'Hara, Kevin Sweeney

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment.

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 *Strictly Come Dancing Competition* was very successful with a large number of couples in all categories. The event raised £2,000.00; these resources will be used to support the forthcoming *Anerley ACROSS* visit to Lourdes with a party of disabled children. We are very grateful for the continued support of our Members, their Guests and the Parish Community of our fundraising programme.

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

The evening with *Mick Flavin & His Band* on Friday, 15th March is now a complete sell out; *admission will be strictly by Ticket Only*. 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.

Tickets are now on sale for Frankie's Guys on Friday 29th March!

RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Archbishop Peter asks for your prayers for the repose of the souls of Canon Francis Moran (Mortlake Parish), who died on 29th January, and Canon John Bailey who died on 12th February.

The Funeral arrangements for Canon John Bailey will be announced as soon as they have been made.

The arrangements for Canon Francis Moran are as follows:

Tuesday 19th February:

4pm: Reception of the body at St Mary Magdalen's Church, Mortlake.

7pm: Vigil Mass at St Mary Magdalen's Church, Mortlake.

Wednesday 20th February:

12.30pm: Funeral Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

We are also sad to announce to death of **Anne Byrne** (mother of Barry Byrne & sister to Carmelita Winston) on Friday 15th February. Our sympathies go to Barry, Carmelita and families at this sad time. **May they rest in peace.**

FREE TO A GOOD HOME - YAMAHA ORGAN

Dimensions in mm are 1120W x 520D x 880H

Please call **Marie** on **07774 643159**

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.

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.

LAST CALL - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 1st March at 7pm

Come and join with our fellow Christians around the world and show fellowship with the women of Slovenia who have designed the service this year on the theme of everybody being invited to sit at God's table.

Many thanks to those who have been helping with the preparations. If you "volunteered" to take a specific role on the evening, could you please arrive before 7 p.m. to go over the arrangements? There will be a collection during the service to cover the costs nationally of booklet production and administration and light refreshments at the end as usual.

28th CROYDON SCOUT GROUP FAMILY BINGO EVENING

Saturday 30th March 2019 - in the Large Hall

7pm for 7.30pm start.

Entry prices: Adults £1 Children 50p (under 5's free)

Reserve your place by calling **Andrea** on **07952 664224**.

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 ploughman's, 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, K Nwosu-Damian, Mary Bennett, Sarah Stone

Baptism certificates: R Dos Remedios, A Jones, B Mead, J Read, W Orme, M Skelton