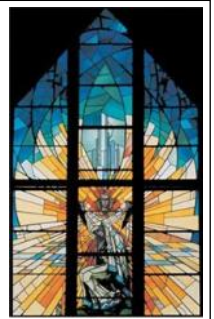




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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19th May Pentecost Sunday (page 286 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR B

A Prayer for Pentecost.



Come Holy Spirit

Come Spirit like rain, refresh, renew, revitalise.

Come Spirit like fire, embolden, enlighten, enable.

Come Spirit like a mighty wind, move, challenge, enkindle.

Come Spirit like wave, move, tear down, lift up.

Come Spirit, come Breath, draw us close,
make song, bring intimacy.

Come Spirit, come Love, make one, make justice, make peace.

Come Spirit, come Kingdom, come Love.

Mass Intentions This Week

18 May: Saturday

10:00 George Lazarus RIP Anniversary
18:00 All Parishioners ~

19 May: PENTECOST SUNDAY

08:30 Scotty Di Vincent RIP ~
10:00 José Fernandez RIP ~
11:30 John Boswood RIP ~ *
* *With All First Holy Communion Children* *

20 May: Monday

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
10:00 Dominic Rowe RIP Anniversary

21 May: Tuesday

10:00 John Crowley RIP

22 May: Wednesday

10:00 Wellbeing of Margaret Banjo

23 May: Thursday OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

10:00 Maria Morris RIP
19:30 Intentions of Carmelita Winston
(*With Rosary*)

24 May: Friday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Derek Bentley RIP

25 May: Saturday

SAINT BEDE THE VENERABLE
10:00 Eileen Carlin RIP
18:00 Deceased Members of the Sweeney and Heskin Families RIP

26 May: MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners
10:00 John O'Donovan RIP
11:30 Seamus & Michael Flynn RIP +

+ *With Baptism*
~ *With Foodbank Sunday*

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 21st at 10.45am (Small hall)
SVP: Tuesday 21st at 8pm (PRC)
RCIA: Wednesday 22nd at 8pm (PRC) *Welcome Evening - Why Are We Here?*
Young Adults' Fellowship: Friday 24th at 7pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

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| Gift Aid Envelopes | £ 484.06 |
| Loose cash | £ 1316.00 |
| S/Os (Approx) | £ 1290.00 |
| Total | £ 3090.06 |

*** DEFIBRILLATOR ***

A defibrillator is located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church.

COLLECTIONS

The Diocesan collection for *World Communications Sunday* amounted to £335.00. Many thanks.
Next week there is an ACC collection for *Maryhill Secondary Girls' School, Uganda*.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Fr Alan Sharpe, Jean Carpenter, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Michael Hewish, Ann Page, Arthur Hughes, Peggy Wall & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: John Flanagan, Anna Tsakalis, Jim Orbell, Eunice Bambery, Nilda Acosta, Teresa Flanagan, Bartholomew McGuane, Michelle Berry, Margaret McSorley, Daphne Andrews, Baby Beatrice Wallace, Kathleen Hurst, Mary McHale, Mary Kate Collins, Margaret Hayes, Brigid Thompson, Norman Kelly, Mary Dillon, Bridget Brennan, Angelica De Biasi, John Minus, Amelia Cully, Daniel Gorey, Thelma Glancy, Jack Linnane, Sarah Summers, Lynda Ticehurst, Francis Chambers, Cyril Kelly, Nancy Smith

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

19th May: Finbar & Paul

26th May: Frank Nelson

2nd June: Theresa Rodgers

9th June: TR Dallas

16th June: Shane & Mervyn Owens

23rd June: Kieran White

30th June: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

7th July: Pat Jordan

- **Shawn Cuddy & Curtis Magee** will be appearing at the Social Club on Friday, 19th July from 7:30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Brain Tumour Charity**. Tickets at £10.00 each can be reserved by calling **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410**. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction.

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS

Fr Tomasz is away next week. Talks resume on 29th May.

Excerpts of documents, spoken about by Fr Tomasz during this catechesis, are now available to read on our website, under the **Adult Catechesis** tab.

RCIA: Our new programme begins this **Wednesday 22nd May**, at **8pm** in the PRC. More information about RCIA can be found on pg 3 of the newsletter online. **Take a look, and come along and see!**

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The parents meeting for new Altar Servers will be on **Wednesday 5th June at 6:30pm in the Church**. Please attend if your child has received their First Holy Communion and wants to become an Altar Server.

ST THOMAS BECKET OPEN AIR CINEMA

Thursday 23rd May 6pm-9pm

As a fundraiser, the STBSA are showing the new Wonka movie!

Early bird ticket offer ends next week, so get your tickets now before prices go up to £10pp! Tickets are available here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stbsa/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=79312>

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORIE: Please see the poster in the porch regarding the pilgrimage in September to Medjugorje with Fr Tomasz. For more information, and to book please contact Malcolm Fernando - mjsfernando@gmail.com.

THE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE, LONDON: Is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on **Saturday 1st June** from 11am to 4:30pm. All are welcome.

Please call Millie on **07957 594646** for more information.

Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria

OUR PARISH ASCENT GROUP: Is part of **Life Ascending International** in England, which is designed to meet the needs of Catholics, especially older members of the Church.

We have been meeting in our Parish, every second Tuesday, after morning Mass, for 21 years. After tea/coffee, between 10 and 20 of our members attend.

We produce a programme for each meeting and pray to our Heavenly Father for an increase in Faith Hope and Charity. Our programme usually includes prayer to the Holy Spirit, prayers of intercession and ends with a hymn appropriate to the focus of our meeting.

We invite a variety of speakers each year, including the Sisters of Mary and Joseph, who all teach and encourage us in an adult understanding of our faith, and in our personal prayer life.

All are welcome 10.45am in the Small Hall.

21st May: Sr. Sheila Moloney - "An Hour With Our Blessed Lady"

4th June: Introduction to the St. Vincent de Paul Society in our parish

For Collection: K Duignan

Baptism certificates: COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (May) Readers (May/June)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR LADY'S WEBSITE

Our church website plays a vital role in keeping our parishioners informed, especially those who are unable to attend Mass for whatever reason.

We currently **urgently need volunteers** to help keep it up to date. **This is done on a rota basis, and should take no more than 15 minutes every few weeks!**

Full training will be given - all you need is access to a laptop/computer.

Please email Sarah at sarahmarystone@hotmail.com if you can help. Many thanks.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR 2024-25

109 Gift Aid boxes and small 2nd collection sets are still to be collected. They will be available at all Masses this weekend. **PLEASE COLLECT** your envelopes and put them in a *memorable* safe place.

As happens every year some people will find their number has changed and therefore no unused envelopes from this year can be counted as Gift Aid offerings from the beginning of June. Any old envelopes can be recycled. Many thanks.

COMMUNION WEAR

The St Thomas Becket School Association (STBSA) are seeking donations of gently used communion outfits from our church community. Your contributions will not only provide beautiful attire for upcoming celebrations but will also support our school's fundraising endeavours.

Reach out to us at stbsateam@gmail.com or text **07950 381029** if you can help. Your donations will help us make a meaningful impact!

Thank you!

LAST CHANCE: CATHEDRAL MASS CELEBRATING MARRIAGE

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at **3pm on July 13th**. Close family members can attend with you. *In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk giving the following details: your full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish.* The deadline for applying is May 31st.

HOPE HEALTH ACTION CHARITY APPEAL

HHA is a local charity based in Coney Hall, for which I, Sarah Nash (parishioner), volunteer.

We will be holding a quiz night in our church hall on Friday 31st May, all are welcome! Do come for an evening of fun and quizzing.

Contact carol@hopehealthaction.org to book a place.

See poster in the porch or the newsletter online for full information

COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR 2025 CALENDAR

Stage two is now in progress! We are requesting memories and photos for the calendar. If you have any photographs representing any events, the buildings, Sacramental, groups activities from the past to the current year, we would love to see them and consider them for the calendar. If they are not included, we are hoping to put on a display of all photos received, next year.

If you were part of the old youth club, are past and current members of the SVP, the Cana group, the Young Wives, The Unity Club, The Seniors' Christmas Lunch organisers, Uniformed Groups and any groups we have not mentioned or know about, then we would love to hear from you as well as current groups.

Please put any hard copies in an envelope with details of the event, the date and contact details so they can be returned to you after the celebrations.

If you can, we would like to receive as many as possible digitally.

The email is addiscomberchurch@gmail.com

Please note this is NOT the office email, Rachel & Stephanie have been so supportive and helpful but we do not want to give them any extra work if it can be avoided.

Thank you! The Calendar Girls

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those who attended the Easter vigil, or one of the Sunday Masses in Lent when five of the 2023/24 RCIA group were formally introduced to the Parish, you will have been part of their initiation into the Catholic Church.

Soon **RCIA** in our Parish will start again for another year. Those involved in helping with the programme always find it to be an inspiring and rewarding experience.

What is the **RCIA**, and could you play a part or benefit from joining the process?

The Southwark Diocese website explains what is involved very well...

www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/faith/becoming-a-catholic

“Becoming Catholic is an amazing, life-changing journey. Much more than a series of educational classes, it moves through a process of deep reflection, discernment and formation.

God offers each of us the grace of desiring and seeking love, truth and meaning. He is the initiator and giver of all faith, who inspires and guides us on our journey. Throughout the process of initiation into the Catholic Church, the people of God accompany those seeking full initiation step-by-step, to support, guide, and help them hear God’s call in their life.”

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the name which has been given to the journey taken by people who seek to become Christians and be confirmed participants in our Catholic Church. Essentially this process allows adults and older young people to enquire, and if they wish, to be prepared for three sacraments, Baptism, Confirmation and The Eucharist.

In our parish it normally takes about 10 months, and culminates in personal decisions being made in the new year, a formal welcome by the Archbishop at Southwark Cathedral in Lent and in celebration of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. The group meets every two weeks (excluding school holidays), starting Wednesday 22nd May at 8pm.

Parishioners are asked to encourage friends and relatives to consider joining RCIA this year and indeed anyone wishing to follow the process can be a great help in the Journey to Faith. You will be very welcome to join and accompany this year’s candidates. You do not need any particular skills or training. If you might be interested, or would like more information or perhaps have been through the process in the past, please contact one of the priests after Mass on Sundays.

Hope Health Action Charity Appeal

HHA is a local charity based in Coney Hall, for which I, Sarah Nash, volunteer.

We will be holding a quiz night in our church hall on Friday 31st May, all are welcome. Do come for an evening of fun and quizzing.

Contact carol@hopehealthaction.org to book a place.

This May, Hope Health Action are running one of their biggest ever fundraising campaigns, with the aim of raising £60,000 for their disability projects in Haiti, Uganda and South Sudan.

To find out more about the charity or to donate throughout May visit hopehealthaction.org.

Thank you!



QUIZ

**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF QUIZZING, FOOD
AND FUN-DRAISING FOR OUR PROJECTS!**

**FRIDAY 31ST MAY
7PM - 10PM**

OUR LADY OF ANNUNCIATION
CHURCH HALL, 147 BINGHAM RD
CR0 7EN

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND SNACKS

ENTERTAINMENT WILL INCLUDE QUIZ (MAXIMUM 10 PEOPLE PER
TEAM), RAFFLE AND POUND GAME

**BOOK YOUR TEAM'S PLACE BY EMAILING
CAROL@HOPEHEALTHACTION.ORG**

