

Our Lady of the Annunciation

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
 Weekdays after 10am Mass Every Saturday at 5pm Or by appointment

21st July 2019 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 111 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

The Word of God today challenges us to live our lives not enslaved by superficial or secondary concerns, but rooted in the values of the Kingdom. Amidst the many distractions and illusions that threaten us to lose our focus, we learn the importance of mindfulness to God's presence and action around us. Like Abraham and Sarah, we learn to recognize him disguised in our brothers and sisters, including strangers who need our compassion and empathy, not apathy and judgment. Like Martha and Mary, we learn to choose the better part of true listening, discerning and engaging with coalface realities in an effort to bring forth the Kingdom of justice and inclusion. That is the task and the mission of every Christian no matter who we are, what we do and the circumstances of life we find ourselves. May we, through our being rooted in Christ and his values, be transformed into the stewards of the Good News.



ATTENTION.

On Thursday Rev John Wilson will become the new Archbishop of Southwark. Fr. Jackson will be attending the ceremony at St. George's Cathedral and to facilitate this,

Mass here at Our Lady's on Thursday 25th July will be at 9.00am.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 26th JULY DUE TO STAFF ANNUAL LEAVE

Mass Intentions This Week

20 July: Saturday

10:00 Jack & Daffodil Weston RIP
 18:00 Mr & Mrs Joseph Rasanayagam RIP #

21 July: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners #
 10:00 Edith Masters RIP 1st Anniversary ~ #
 12:00 Martha Nestor + #

22 July: Monday

10:00 Ellen & Patrick McLaughlin RIP

23 July: Tuesday

10:00 Anna Joseph RIP

24 July: Wednesday

10:00 Joan Stocks RIP

25 July: Thursday SAINT JAMES

09:00 John Duignan RIP

26 July: Friday

10:00 John Joseph RIP

27 July: Saturday

10:00 Thanksgiving for the Joseph Family
 18:00 Thanksgiving for the Aloysius Family

28 July: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Michael Semeta RIP
 10:00 All Parishioners +
 12:00 John, Joe & Maura Gilgunn RIP

+ With Baptism
 ~ With Uniformed Groups
 # With Foodbank Sunday

MEETINGS

FHC Catechists: Monday 22nd at 7.30pm (PRC)
 SVP: Tuesday 23rd at 8.30pm (PRC)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 10.30am - 8pm
 In The Sacred Heart Chapel

CHURCH CLEANING: Team A

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

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| Loose cash | £ 456.00 |
| Gift Aid Envelopes | £ 610.64 |
| S/Os | £ 975.00 |
| Total | £ 2041.64 |

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for *Apostleship of the Sea* amounted to £782.36. Many thanks. This week there is an ACA collection with proceeds going to *Sr Carol* to aid her work with Indian street children. **There will not be any second collections during the month of August. They will recommence the weekend of 8th September.**

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Margarette Collins, Phyllis Donnelly, Rachael Ward, Elizabeth Casey, Neil Quinn, Mary Ann McGuigan, Pat O'Sullivan, Neva Sequeira, William Clayton

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Christopher Kingman, Andrea Oriani, Arthur Braim, Domenico Casale, Eileen Chandler, Beryl Bennett, Edith Masters, Darin DeSouza, Mary Jones, Kathleen Ryan, Thomas Davie, Leo McHugo, Bernard Moynihan, Irene Groombridge, Martha Nestor, Bill Cowan, Eric Wood, Phylis Linton, Anne Larkin, Jacqueline Collins, Deborah Shine, Keith Stanley

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

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

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment.

21st July: Finbar & Paul

28th July: Theresa Rodgers

4th & 11th August: **Closed for refurbishment**

18th August: **Grand reopening** with the Mustang Showband

25th August: Mary Rose & Her Band

1st September: Ciaran White

8th September: TR Dallas

The Autumn Programme for fundraising activities will recommence with a **Ceili & Social Dancing** on Friday, 27th September. All proceeds from this event will be given to the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton. Tickets at £5.00 each are now available in the Church Hall or from Ben Cahill on 07958 903410. You can also support this event by donating an item for the Auction/ Raffle.

Coming soon

- Motown Tribute Evening: 11th October

- Declan Nerney: 8th November

- Abba Sisters & 70's Tribute Evening: 29th November

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019/2020

If your child is in a Catholic School and will be 7 years old or older by 31st August 2019 and you wish him/her to be prepared for Reconciliation and First Communion please download an application from the parish website or see one of the priests after Mass. Those who are not at Catholic school, but have completed the first year of preparation should also submit an application form. Forms should be returned to the Parish office **no later than Sunday 28th July 2019**. A date for the first parents' meeting will follow shortly.

THE INSTALLATION OF THE MOST REVEREND JOHN WILSON

The Diocese intends to live-broadcast the Installation of the Most Reverend John Wilson as Archbishop of Southwark from St George's Cathedral next **Thursday, 25th July 2019**. The aim is to enable each parishioner (and those beyond) to engage with this important new beginning for Southwark.

The broadcast will take place via the RC Southwark YouTube Channel. All are welcome to tune-in from 11.50am on the day (the actual service will commence at 12 noon). Just place the following link in your browser - <https://youtu.be/wemICGkP6pA>

RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

We regret to announce the recent deaths of **Michael Harry** and **Peter Finnegan** (father of Rosemary McNally).

Peter's funeral will take place on **Monday 29th July** at St Mary's West Croydon at 10am, followed by burial at Greenlawns Cemetery.

Michael's funeral will take place here at Our Lady's on **Friday 9th August** at 10am.

We offer our sympathy and prayers to both families at this sad time.

STILL WAITING FOR YOUR GIFT AID ENVELOPES?

PLEASE CHECK ITEMS FOR COLLECTION AND RETRIEVE YOUR ENVELOPE FROM THE SACRISTY CORRIDOR.

ASHBURTON PARK PLAYGROUND RENOVATION

Many thanks to all who came to support our picnic fundraiser for the playground. We are halfway to raising the £6,000 required to be in a strong position to receive up to £50,000 from the Lord Mayor's Fund.

We have until 12th August to raise the balance so we need your help! If you can, please go online to:

www.spacehive.com/ashburton-park-playground post your comments, share, and pledge if possible, every penny helps!

Thank you from the Friends of Ashburton Park.

OUR LADY'S HALLS COMMITTEE: We need some new members to assist the existing team with weekend halls bookings. The role requires the opening and closing of the halls on a rota basis. If you can assist please contact: **Mike Hennessy 07967 141035**

PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

Parishioners are invited to the All London Carribean Pilgrimage and Memorial of Fr Charles Gaillard to Aylesford Priory on **Sunday 28th July**. Solemn Mass at 12 noon. Main Celebrant Bishop Patrick Lynch VG.

Tickets are £13 for adults and £8 for children under 12

Please contact Monica on 07851 616086

Coach to leave St Chad's Church at 9am

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it.

This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on **13th – 15th September** -

Call or text **07887 296983** or **07973 380443**

Email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

Or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Items for collection: Brooks, P. Cavanna, H Cole, K. Cox, D. Jakubouska Melo, E. Kiely, D Pop, I. Rodrigues-Castro, D. Smith, M Chute, D. Thomson, Sr Celia, Ghirandini & Sciberras, Smralowki

Baptism certificates: C Porebska-Evans, A Klein

Rotas: Readers (July / August) Eucharistic Ministers (July) Servers (July)