



Our Lady of the Annunciation

Parish Priest: Fr. Keith Sylvia

147 Bingham Road, Addiscombe, Croydon CR0 7EN. Phone 020-8654 1709

email: addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk

website: www.addiscombecatholicchurch.com

Diocesan website: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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

24th February 2019 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 141 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

In today's gospel Jesus presents a remarkable vision of love. It is a vision that moves beyond loving only those who love us in return. Jesus challenges his followers to love their enemies and do good expecting nothing in return. According to Jesus, God sets the standard of how we treat our enemies. And that standard includes acting merciful and extending forgiveness even toward the undeserving. This teaching was unconventional for its time and it continues to challenge Jesus' disciples today.

Jesus taught love of enemies with his actions as well as his words. Jesus' entire life and ultimately his death modeled a self-giving love offered to all. Jesus offered forgiveness to the very ones who were persecuting him. The love and forgiveness that Jesus extended was given freely for the salvation of all humanity.



**** STOP PRESS STOP PRESS STOP PRESS ****

Fr. Jackson Sebastian will be arriving in the parish this Wednesday evening. His VISA was granted last week and he has wasted no time in organizing his ticket and announcing his arrival. I know you will all make him welcome, but please remember, he will be quite tired and busy for a week or two after his arrival. It always takes a lot of energy to get up and running in a new environment. Pray for him, and the Kerala community here and in India.

**** STOP PRESS STOP PRESS STOP PRESS ****

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

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

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 26th at 8pm (PRC)

RCIA: What is Lent? - Wednesday 27th at 8pm (PRC)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 10.30am - 8pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

CHURCH CLEANING: Team D

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 800.00
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 661.16
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£ 1461.16

+ With Baptism

Mass Intentions This Week

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 +

25 February: Monday

10:00 Zena Marshall RIP

26 February: Tuesday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Janice McNamara RIP

27 February: Wednesday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 James Shaw RIP

28 February: Thursday

10:00 Lance Baptiste RIP

1 March: Friday SAINT DAVID

10:00 Bridget Mary Watts RIP

2 March: Saturday

10:00 Sean Coogan RIP

18:00 Danny O'Hagan RIP

3 March: EIGHTH SUNDAY

08:30 Birthday Wishes for

Anton Vethanayagam

10:00 UCM: Intentions of Fr Jackson

12:00 Victor & Ida De Souza RIP

COLLECTIONS

Last week's second collection for *Racial Justice Sunday* amounted to £609.10. Many thanks. Next week there will be a second collection for *Poor Parishes*. (Gift Aid-able)

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Margarett Collins, Phyllis Donnelly, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Marc Simpson

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Gerard Chandler, Irene Rodrigues, Rose Childs, Mary Mann, Peter O'Flynn, Elizabeth Comber, Sian O'Hara, Kevin Sweeney, Brian Linnane, Kathleen Milmo, Bartolomeo Argenziano, Hanora Daly, Immacolata Di Meo, Antonietta Catley, Michael Grogan, Anne Rogers, Vincent McLaughlin, Rose Barker, James Reid, Richard Molyneux, Marshall Weetman, Lancelot Baptiste, Bridget Baptiste, Andonietta Mansi, Patrick O'Hare, Doris Wilson, Stephen Walker, Mary Hoey, Daniel Chambers, Sarah Burnett, May Pick, Thomas Byrne, Philomena Clark, John Izzie, James Dalrymple-Alford, Patrick Coffey

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment.

24th February: TR Dallas
3rd March: Theresa Rodgers & Wild Flowers
10th March: Sean Wilson
17th March: Kenny Paul
24th March: The Duets

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 *Castlerea Brass & Reed Band*. Admission will be Members: £4.00 and Guests: £5.00.

Tickets for Frankie's Guys on Friday 29th March have now SOLD OUT!!!

RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

We are sad to announce to death of **Joe Fryday** on Sunday 17th February. His funeral will take place at St Anthony's in Anerley in late March.

The funeral of **Anne Byrne** will take place in Ireland on Saturday 2nd March. Please remember them in your prayers at this time.

MISSING!!

The **5th Addiscombe Rainbows** have lost their flag - it's been missing since the December parade Mass. Could all unit leaders please check that it's not been put away with their own flag or into a cupboard somewhere for safekeeping. If found please contact **Tracie** on **07802 702533**. Thank you.

SUPPORT TO KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL: CRITICAL CARE CENTRE APPEAL

The Hospital are currently extending their Critical Care Centre to 120 beds, which is funded totally by Government.

In addition, the hospital wants to provide additional resources to support the recovery of critically ill patients; these will include a range of new technologies including *a tablet connected to the internet for every patient* and the development of a *roof garden*. Patients will be able to use *Skype* and *Facetime* to send messages to friends, say good morning and goodnight to their children, and be part of the important things that make up everyday life, like birthdays. Going outside can completely change how critically ill patients feel, by giving them something different and positive to focus on. Staff say that patients have an increased drive to get better once they have had a chance to see normal life going around them, outside of a hospital.

These additional resources will cost approx. £2.6 Million, which has to be raised by donations & sponsorship.

To support the fundraising programme, a *Gala Dinner & Dance* will take place at the Bromley Court Hotel on Friday, 5th April. Tickets are now available at £50.00 each or a table of 10 for £475.00. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction. For further information, please call the event coordinator, **Pat Winston** on **07734 250375**.

GRIEF AND LOSS RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND

22 - 24th March

Dealing with the death of a husband or wife is a difficult, painful and lengthy process. This residential weekend at **Aylesford Priory** in Kent is designed to help people who have been bereaved to come to terms with their loss.

More details contact **Elizabeth Partridge** on **01303 670880** or email **mflbereavement@rcaos.org.uk**

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!

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 sold out.

NEW ALTAR SERVER INTAKE 2019

If your child is interested in becoming an Altar server at Our Lady's please pick up an information letter (on orange paper) from the porch. This has all the details you need about meetings and training session dates. Many thanks.

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, Flora Lobo, Clare Connor

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

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (March) Servers (March)