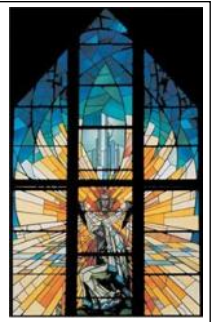




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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24th May Pentecost Sunday (page 288 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

On the day of Pentecost when the risen Lord appears to his fearful disciples, he says to them 'peace be with you.' May we too know the peace of Christ in our own lives. With peace comes the capacity to forgive the sins of others.

This forgiveness is also clearly a gift of the Lord who loves us deeply, all of us. This gift is given to each of us individually, and also to the Church through its ministry of service. Perhaps the greatest service we can offer is to share what Jesus has done for us, as the disciples were give the courage on that great day. With the coming of the Holy Spirit, fear is taken away.

Peace and forgiveness are given, poured out on us. May we also then be instruments to dispel the fears of others, and proclaim peace, mercy, forgiveness to others through Christ.



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Over 18 and think you want to know more about the Catholic Faith?

Adult Initiation will be starting on 3 June, 8.00pm.

Come and take a look... No pressure!

Mass Intentions This Week

- 23 May: Saturday**
 10:00 Rita O'Reilly RIP
 18:00 Danny Snr & John O'Donovan RIP
- 24 May: PENTECOST SUNDAY**
 08:30 All Parishioners
 10:00 40th Wedding Anniversary Wishes for Ian & Cath Dixie
 11:30 Maria Morris RIP
- 25 May: Monday**
MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
 10:00 Tommy Cawley RIP
- 26 May: Tuesday FUNERAL MASS**
SAINT PHILIP NERI
 10:00 Bernard White RIP
- 27 May: Wednesday**
SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY
 10:00 Frank Neilon RIP 2nd Anniversary
- 28 May: Thursday**
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST
 10:00 Ged Walmsley RIP
 19:30 Rico Fagiani RIP
- 29 May: Friday**
 10:00 Sheila Fitzgerald RIP
- 30 May: Saturday**
 10:00 Thanksgiving for Precila Fernandes
 18:00 Bill O'Sullivan RIP
- 31 May: SUNDAY**
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
 08:30 Annetta Browne RIP
 10:00 Deceased Members Of The Cahill & Conlan Families RIP +
 11:30 All Parishioners +
 + *With Baptism*

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 26th at 8pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm
 In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 605.65
Loose cash	£ 536.66
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1340.00
Total	£ 2482.31

*** DEFIBRILLATORS ***

There is a defibrillator located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church, and another on the wall outside the large hall entrance.

COLLECTIONS:

Last week's Diocesan collection for **World Communications Sunday** amounted to £446.71. Many thanks.
 The next Diocesan collection will be on 21st June for **Day For Life**.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Jonathan Leiper, Marie Griffin, Christina Cahill, Anthony Kennedy, Joseph Anand, Pat Joyce, Paddy Ryan, Dave Freegard, Lorraine Quinlivan, Mervat Nasri, John Wright, Holly Bland, Alyssa Jemade & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Jack Linnane, Sarah Summers, Lynda Ticehurst, Francis Chambers, Cyril Kelly, Nancy Smith, Hilda Mills, Graham Bull, Antoni Znidericz, Joseph Doyle, Carol Byrne, Kenneth Cox, Jane Harris, Gladys Morais, Francesco Napolitano, Bill Naldrett, Mary Walter, Audrey Moynihan, Icilda Baker, John Conlan, Dan O'Donovan, Bernadette Potter, Michael Griffin, Lily Fowley, Patricia McDonnell

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

24th May: **Bank Holiday** - Kieran White

31st May: Kevin Kearney

7th June: TR Dallas

14th June: Cross Keys

21st June: Martin Ruddy

28th June: Pat Jordan

5th July: Glen Flynn

12th July: Theresa Rodgers

- Thank you to Members of the Parish Community and the Social Club for your support of the evening with **Kathleen & Tommie Moran: The Duets**. The event raised £1,300.00; these resources will be used to support the **Anerley ACROSS Pilgrimage** with a party of disable people to Lourdes in June.

- **Round Towers GFC** will be holding a **Race Night** in the Church Hall on Friday, 5th June. Doors will open at 7:00pm with the first Race off at 7:30pm. You can support this event in many ways: buying a Horse, sponsoring a Race or donating an item for the Raffle. For more information, please call **Danny O'Donovan on 07796 934748**.

Coming soon:

The Radiators - The UK's definitive 60s Band, bringing the authentic sounds of the 60s to the Social Club on Friday, 26th June. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Croydon Nightwatch Charity**.

Shawn Cuddy & Curtis Magee - Singing the Hits of the last 30 years on Friday, 10th July. All proceeds from this event will be given to **The Place To Be Cafe, Purley**: A Social Club for older people living with Dementia & their Carers.

MASS & SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK Sunday 31st May at 1pm

All parishioners are welcome to attend this Mass, and our SVP conference will also offer light refreshments (coffee, tea, biscuits) afterwards in the large hall.

PARISH ASCENT GROUP

Are you an Adult Catholic, perhaps already retired, and interested in some up-to-date on-going Faith Formation? Would you like to strengthen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ?

Could you be free to join us in the Small Hall, on the second and fourth Tuesdays at about 10.45 after 10.00am Mass?

On **Tuesday 26th May** the meeting will be at Worth Abbey, for a special day of Benedictine Recollection; leaving at 9.45 am.

IRISH SET DANCING

Every Monday (except Bank holidays) Large Hall 8.15 - 10.15pm

Please come along and join us - no need to book, just turn up!

Beginners are welcome. **£7 entry**.

FREE FURNITURE GIVEAWAY

After a tidy up in the Repository, there are now two items of older furniture that are no longer needed. If anyone wants them, please contact the number below.

An arrangement can be made to deliver any of the items if it is not possible for you to transport them.

The items are:

1) a chest of drawers straight ahead as you enter the repository - w 61cm x h 71cm x d 40cm

2) a shelving unit currently on the heater above the chest of drawers - w 57cm x h 92cm x d 26cm.

All measurements are approximate. **All items are free**, however, if you wish to make a donation to the Repository, it would be gratefully received. Donations can be made by credit/debit card.

If you are interested please contact **Mary & Jim 07981 285181**

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH – ANSWERS TO THE BIG QUESTIONS

See page 3 of online newsletter or posters in the church porch.

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (May)

Readers: (May/June)

For Collection: P Stanley, C Hoskins

PAT CUMMINS RIP

It is with sadness we announce the recent death of Pat Cummins. His funeral took place in Ireland last Wednesday. All of his family were very well known parishioners here before this church was built.

Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

UCM MEETING 3rd June - Large Hall 8pm LINE DANCING!

Come and join us for an evening full of laughter and fun as Lynn teaches us all to Line Dance. **All are welcome! Entry £5**

REPOSITORY NEWS: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Repository shop has a range of cards and small gifts for children about to receive their First Holy Communion. Come and see us in the Baptistry at the rear of the church after all Sunday Masses.

THANK YOU: To all the members of our parish for their generous support & encouragement for our charity, Wings of Hope. We raised £238 at the coffee morning. Thanks for supporting & encouraging our team. Your generous donations are highly appreciated by the charity, the children they support, and all of Team Vidyavahini!

ST JOSEPH'S PEREGRINATION 2/5/26 - 13/3/27

This year, we once again invite our parishioners to entrust all our intentions to St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Church.

From 2nd May 2026 to 13th March 2027 - we encourage you to welcome him as a guest into your homes. A statue of the Sleeping Joseph will peregrinate from house to house.

A family, or an individual parishioner will take the statue from the church **after the 10am Mass on Saturday** and return it the following week.

If you wish, you may gather before the statue & pray for your family & the intentions of our parish. A prayer will be provided for use:

- *In thanksgiving for our parish and the blessings we have and continue to receive, and also for peace throughout the world.*

- *In petition for the heavenly reward of our deceased benefactors and parishioners.*

- *In petition for the sanctification of our priests, parishioners, and their families.*

If you would like to participate in our Peregrination, please sign up on the list in the porch. Kindly leave your name and phone number.

DIVERSITY SUPPORT GROUP

All parishioners and family are warmly invited to our next Collaborative Big Lunch on **Sunday 7th June** in the **large hall starting at 1pm**. Come in your traditional outfits, bring fresh authentic dishes, explore hobbies you share with others, dance to live music by Vintage Retro & have fun. Contact **Sylvia** on **07870 508790** or **sylvia3k@gmail.com** to book.

Come celebrate - One Community, Many Cultures - with love!

CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK: 24th - 30th MAY

Is a time when Parishes and Catholic charities such as CAFOD celebrate the work made possible in the life of the Church through gifts in Wills. Find out more at **cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek**

AN APPEAL FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS: For **St Mildred's drop in for homeless and vulnerable people**. The commitment is one Sunday each month from midday to approx. 2pm. Duties are various - serving the food, washing dishes, on reception, putting out clean towels for showers etc. Full guidance is given.

If interested, contact Pat on **patriciahoward127@hotmail.com**

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE: Are hoping to offer couple counselling sessions in the Addiscombe area. **To enable this to happen, we need to have a small team of chaperones who would work with the counsellor.**

The chaperone role is to be present in a reception area near the counselling room. They would welcome the clients, see them out after their session and be on hand in support of the counsellor and the clients. Training is given. If you could consider this vital work, please contact **teresaweeks@hotmail.co.uk**

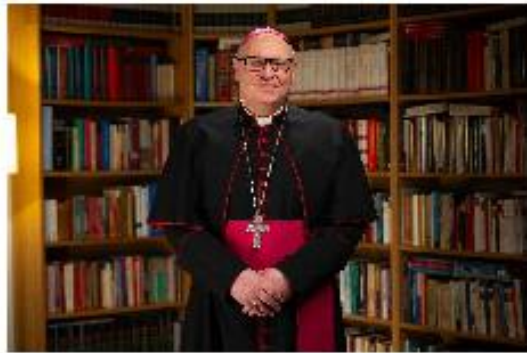
Diocesan Safeguarding Office: **safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk**



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Ambassadors for Christ

Building witnesses for the Lord Jesus and His Church



Ambassadors for Christ is a new year-long video series from the Archdiocese of Southwark, created to help Catholics feel more confident talking about their faith so they can be a joyful witness for the Lord Jesus and His Church.

As interest in the Catholic Church continues to grow, many people find themselves asking big questions, or being asked them by friends, family and colleagues. This project offers clear, trustworthy answers through 52 short weekly videos, each presented by a Catholic priest and designed to be easy to understand, practical and rooted in the teachings of the Church. (The videos are 5-10 minutes each)

Each video has a supporting worksheet for personal use or for discussions in a group.

Full details are available on the Archdiocese website at:

<https://rcaos.org.uk/ambassadorsforchrist>

<https://rcaos.org.uk/worksheets>

The videos can also be watched on the Archdiocese You Tube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@RCSouthwark1>