



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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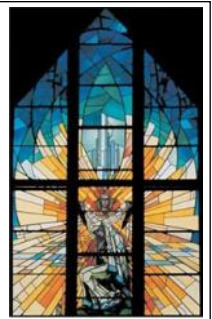
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment



25th October Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 146 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

On this 30th Sunday of ordinary time of the year A;

In the first reading from Exodus, God calls us to care for the poor, the widows, the orphans, and strangers, reminding us that He hears the cries of the vulnerable and expects us to treat everyone with compassion and justice. The responsorial Psalm proclaims that the Lord is our strength, rock, and refuge, encouraging us to trust in Him during difficulties and to share His love with those who are suffering.

In the second reading, St Paul praises the Thessalonians for their strong faith and joyful witness, teaching us to become living examples of Christ through our words, actions, and perseverance in times of hardship.

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that the greatest commandments are to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves, showing us that love is the foundation of every Christian teaching.

As we reflect on these readings, let us remember that our love for God is best expressed through practical acts of kindness, forgiveness, generosity, and care for the needy, so that everyone we meet may experience the loving presence of Christ through us.

Fr Cajetan



Mass Intentions This Week

24 October: Saturday

10:00 Josephine Moran RIP

18:00 Nora, Paddy & John Walsh RIP +

25 October: THIRTIETH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 Martha & Abraham Pereira RIP

11:30 Mrs Mariama Sebastian RIP

26 October: Monday

10:00 Neville Cornabe RIP

27 October: Tuesday

10:00 John O'Sullivan RIP

28 October: Wednesday

SAINTS SIMON & JUDE

10:00 Jim McHugh RIP (Birthday)

FUNERAL MASS

11:00 Sebastian Keen RIP

29 October: Thursday

10:00 Alan Dwyer RIP 20th Anniversary

19:30 James Murphy RIP

30 October: Friday

10:00 Anna Buckley RIP

31 October: Saturday

10:00 Mrs Kathleen Kemp RIP

18:00 Mary Good RIP 20th Anniversary

1 November: SUNDAY ALL SAINTS DAY

08:30 Ronald Rakusen RIP

10:00 UCM: All Deceased Members RIP

+++ Confirmation Mass +++

with Bishop Gerard Bradley

11:30 Holy Souls

+ With Baptism

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 27th at 10.45am (Small Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 27th at 8pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 626.19
Loose cash	£ 599.12
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1340.00
Total	£ 2565.31

*** 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 collection for *World Mission Sunday* amounted to £474.69. Many thanks. This week there will be an ACC collection for *Barnabas Aid*.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Casey, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Mary Jayawardena, Peggy Wall, Pat Joyce, Paddy Ryan, Mervat Nasri, John Wright, Holly Bland, Alyssa Jemade, Mary-Jane Watson, Michael Bowen & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Mary Ann Fowler, Anthony Brunsdon, Maisie Wyatt, Abina Martin, Sophie Jones, Frank Congerton, John Davis, Walter Elfer, Anastazy Kachellek, Richard Allen Wilding, Kathleen Finnegan, Catherine Grogan, Innes Gosine, Matthew McCabe, Mark McDonald, John O'Sullivan, Melvyn Sequeira, Joseph D'Souza, Maria Mendonca, Albert Rocca, Nora Walsh, Edward Mobsby, Alan Dwyer, Pearl Stevens, Peter Tuck, Douglas Morrison, Sean Gaffney, Patricia Aherne, Sylvia Desouza, Sylvia Pyne, Caroline Mozumder, Mary Good, Shirley Adams, Antony Brabin, Oscar Marshall, Anne Farrell, David Bassett, Maria Cowley, Michael Huggett, Antonio Braiotta

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

25th October: The Duets
2nd November: Cross Keys
8th November: Frank Nelson
15th November: Shane & Mervyn Owens
22nd November: Kieran White
29th November: TR Dallas
6th December: Theresa Rodgers
13th December: Glen Flynn

- Many thanks to members of the Parish Community & the Social Club for your support of the **Dreamettes Tribute Evening**. The event raised £2,545.00; these resources will be given to the **28th Croydon Scout Group** to support their refurbishment programme.

- **Mayo Celebration: Green & Red Night** on Sunday, 25th October from 7:30pm. Mayo officially ended their 75-year drought by winning the All-Ireland Football Final in July. We will celebrate their victory with entertainment from Kathleen & Tommy Moran - The Duets.

- **Dancing with the Stars** on Friday 30th October - an evening of Fun Dancing: Jives, Slosh, Set Dancing & Waltzes; **Entertainment with Anton**. All proceeds to the **Crystal Palace for Life Foundation** - supporting young people in South London. Admission will be £5.00; call into the Social Club on a Sunday evening to reserve a Ticket.

- **Jiving sessions are returning**: J & M will be facilitating Jiving Sessions in the Hall on Sundays, 8th & 15th November commencing at 5:00pm. For more information, call **Della Reilly on 07403 227935**.

- **The Other Guys'**, leading tributes to **Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons**; takes place on Friday, 13th November. All members of the Group trained at one of the UK's most prestigious Theatre Schools "The Guildford School of Acting" and regularly perform in various West End productions. Admission will be by **TICKET ONLY**. **You can also support this event by donating an item for the Raffle and/or Auction**. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Anerley ACROSS**; a charity which will take a party of disabled people to Lourdes in June.

To reserve Tickets for this event, call **Ben Cahill - 07958 903410**

RECENT DEATH & FUNERAL ARRANGMENT

We are sad to announce the recent death of **Josephine Moran**. Her funeral will take place here at **Our Lady's** on **Friday 6th November at 12.30pm**. Please remember her family in your prayers at this time and may she *Rest In Peace*.

A DAY WITH MARY: Is taking place at **here at Our Lady's** on **Saturday 31st October** (9.45am to 5.00pm).

Please pick up a flyer in the porch for more information.

PARISH ASCENT GROUP

Our Lady's Ascent Group has been meeting regularly for more than 23 years. It now meets on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays each month in the Small Hall after 10am Mass. We start with tea/coffee etc at about 10.45 and each month we try to invite a Speaker to help us share and inspire us in our Catholic Faith. **Anyone interested in updating an understanding of what we believe and increasing your relationship with Jesus, is most welcome.**

On Tuesday 27th October Fr. Cajetan will be our guest Speaker.

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR BAPTISM CERTIFICATES!

We have Baptism certificates dating back more than 5 years, that are yet to be collected. If you are applying to a faith school, you will need to present this certificate. Please contact the parish office to pick up this important document as soon as possible! **Many thanks.**

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

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.

INTERESTED IN SINGING OR PLAYING IN CHURCH?

Please see page 3 of this newsletter online on our website.

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (October) Readers: (Nov/Dec)

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE ***

PARISH DINNER DANCE

It is with regret that we have to cancel the parish dinner and dance due to lack of support. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Many thanks.

STAY WELL AND BE ALERT IN WINTER EVENT

All parishioners are invited to our preventive health event on **Saturday 14th November from 1-5pm in the large hall**. Topics include community safety, how your local pharmacy can help you, how NHS 111 works, spotting frauds and scams, financial management, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, youth to youth advice, basic health checks etc. Interact with new friends while enjoying light refreshments.

Call Sylvia **07375 824615** for more information

See you there with family and friends

THE RELICS OF ST PADRE PIO & ST CARLO ACUTIS

Will visit Holy Cross Church, Carshalton, on **Friday 6th November**. Please see the poster in the poster for full details.

BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING TRAINING WITH WOODSIDE BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

Do you have a listening ear?

Do you have a desire to help others?

Do you have spare time?

Then please consider joining our 50-hour bereavement training course.

Commences **Monday 18th January 2027**

Course Fee **£350**

Please email: **wbs@thelisteningear.org.uk**

For an information pack

ADDISCOMBE YOUTH CLUB: For years 7 -10 of secondary school, in the large hall. To find out more & register interest please email: **ayc youthclub11@gmail.com**

JOIN MARCH FOR LIFE UK

On **Tuesday 27th October 12-2pm** in Parliament Square as we remember the anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act which happened on that date 59 years ago.

Please don't bring posters as they will be provided. Stand with us as we remind our nation that abortion hurts the family. For further info contact **info@marchforlife.co.uk** or call **447773 501721**.

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING CAFOD'S FAST DAY!

Thank you for putting your faith into action this Family Fast Day. Your generous donations will help more children stay in school. Children like Tayla in Zimbabwe, where CAFOD's local partners worked with her community to install a solar-powered water supply. Now Tayla has access to safe water and nutritious food at school.

To find out more about the work that your generosity at Fast Day makes possible, visit: **cafod.org.uk/parishthankyou**

AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE WITH MATHS? We can help!

We will be offering Maths tuition for **years 1 to 'A' level**

On **Sundays in Our Lady's small hall between 1 - 5pm.**

£25 p/h for years 1 - 9 £30 p/h for GCSE & A Level

To register your interest please contact:

Joseph 07714 203973 or Grace 07516 396009

SAFEGUARDING: It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. Further safeguarding info can be found on the Diocesan website: **safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk**

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Joanna Murphy - **Addicombeds@safeguardrcaos.org.uk**

Clare George - **addiscombesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk**

AN INVITATION TO SING OR PLAY

Those who attend the 8.30am Mass on Sundays know that we generally have an organist to lead the sung worship.

That rôle is taken at other Masses by groups from within the congregation; twice a month each, the 10 o'clock is accompanied by the Cecilians and the Music Group. At 11.30, Jacqueline leads from the piano with a small group of singers.

None of these “units” requires anyone to pass a test, an audition if you like – all you need is a commitment that you’ll attend when you can, and a degree of enthusiasm that says “when you can” means “as often as I possibly can”. This applies to musicians, too; young people have started playing in church from age six; we hope that the experience helped with their musical development as they went through school/college and into the big, wide world. At least two past members are now professionals ...

This is an invitation to turn up at your usual Mass and see if sitting and singing (or playing) with the singers and musicians is indeed for you. You will be more than welcome and can find out rehearsal details, and how each group works, before deciding that, yes, this is for you; yes, you believe that you *can* assist with the leading of the sung worship; and yes, the members of the group are welcoming ‘cos they remember their first time coming to the group.

Contact details are shown on the “Music at Mass” tab inside the “Our Parish” tab on the church’s website (Addiscombecatholicchurch.com) – we all look forward to welcoming you.

