



Our Lady of the Annunciation



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27th August 2023 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 120 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

Give thanks with a grateful heart...

I will give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and will glorify Your name forever. (Psalm 86:12)

With a blend of emotions and excitement let me express to you all from the nethermost end of my heart, **'Thanks very much indeed'**, for all that you were to me. For your love and prayers, care and support, encouragement and encounters, for your Christmas and Easter gifts. It has indeed touched my heart, that **it was as if** I were one among you in your family, when you called me to your homes for house blessings, for tea and snacks, for dinner, and for any other celebrations in your family get-togethers and so on.

As I move from this parish of Our Lady of the Annunciation, I am taking with me all the amazing and incredible memories of your smiles and talks, coupled with the flavour of love and laughter. Thanks so much Fr. Keith for your fraternal upkeep and reassurance. Thanks so much to Rachel, Tim and Stephanie, all the Parish Pastoral Council members, all the leaders of different associations, catechists, sacristans, MCs, altar servers, Eucharist Ministers and volunteers in the church, and to you all; the big family of the parish!

When you remember me, pray for me and when you pray, remember me. Thanks a million, to all!

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

Fr Jackson

PLEASE NOTE:

The next newsletter will be published on the weekend of **9/10th September**.
Mass Intentions for next week are printed overleaf

Mass Intentions This Week

26 August: Saturday

10:00 Wellbeing for Celine Santamaria
18:00 Angela Matthews RIP

27 August: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY

08:30 Len & Cella Dickens RIP
10:00 Simon Nolan RIP
11:30 Hannah Simons RIP

28 August: Monday

SAINT AUGUSTINE
10:00 Maurice Mealin RIP

29 August: Tuesday THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

10:00 Thanksgiving for Luke & Sarah Harvey
Wedding Anniversary

30 August: Wednesday SS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE & MARGARET WARD

10:00 Wellbeing of Sean & Frances Loughney

31 August: Thursday

10:00 Kathleen Conlon RIP
19:30 Annunciata, Deogratius & Jane Lumala RIP

1 September: Friday

10:00 Lai Ching Chang RIP 4th Anniversary

2 September: Saturday

10:00 Gloria Hunneybun RIP
18:00 Thanksgiving for Cyril & Cherie Nazareth 30th Wedding Anniversary

3 September:

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY

08:30 Marcella Dickens RIP
10:00 Ivy O'Connor RIP
11:30 All Parishioners

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 29th Aug & 5th Sept at 8pm (PRC)
Confirmation Meeting: Tuesday 5th Sept at 8pm (Large Hall)
UCM: Wednesday 6th Sept at 8pm (Large Hall)
RCIA: Wednesday 6th Sept at 8pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

OFFERTORY

12th/13th August £ 2411.00
19th/20th August £ 2441.00

*** DEFIBRILLATOR ***

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

COLLECTIONS

The recent collection for **Red Box Appeal** amounted to £475. Many thanks.
The next Diocesan collection will be on 10th September for **Education Sunday**.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Lauren Horwood, Elizabeth Casey, Brian Kearney, Jose Fernandez, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Marie Griffin, Ernie & Mary

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Mary Hartop, Roosevelt Walles, Oswald Eugene Stevens, Jeremiah Collins, Hannah Simons, Pamela Kennedy, Catherine Ward, Vincent Ndekwe, Corina Cahill, George Pears, Matt Dolan, Catherine Farnon, Bridget Cummins, Jane Lumala, Mary Ann Kemmett, Betty Rees, Sarah Holloway, Lai Ching Chang, Christopher Hayes, Ruby Shepperd, Annie Brown, Hannah Concannon, Ben Hepden, Christine Leaman

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

27th August: Theresa Rodgers

3rd September: Shawn Cuddy

10th September: Kenny Paul

17th September: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

23rd September: Frank Nelson

1st October: Pat Jordan

8th October: Glen Flynn

15th October: Shane & Mervyn Owens

- The **Anerley ACROSS Golf Day** will take place at the **Farleigh Golf Club on Friday, 1st September** commencing at 10am. Coffee, Tea & Bacon Rolls will be provided upon arrival followed by 18 holes of Golf. At the end of the day, Golfers will have sandwiches & chips followed by a Presentation to the winners. The day will conclude with a Raffle & Auction. The cost of the event will be £60.00 per person. You can sponsor a Hole at £50.00.

In the evening, there will be a **Dance & Supper at Our Lady's Church Hall**. The Supper will include Fish/Chicken or Sausage & Chips; a vegetarian option will also be available. The evening entertainment will be with Barry Doyle. Admission will be by Ticket Only at £15.00. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction.

To reserve tickets for either the Golf Day and/or the evening event please contact **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410** by 6pm this evening (Sunday, 27th August).

RECENT DEATH

We are sad to announce the recent death of **Koo Kui Chin Li Koon Shing** (mother of Dorine Cheung). The funeral will take place here at **Our Lady's on Friday 8th September at 10am**. Our sympathies go to Dorine and all the family at this difficult time. Please keep them in your prayers. May she **Rest In Peace**.

KEVIN MOYNIHAN RIP

Frances and the 28th Croydon Scouts would like to thank the parish for their generosity in the collection in memory of Kevin Moynihan. **The amount raised so far is £2264**, with donations still coming in. Many thanks to you all!

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL HALLS KEY HOLDERS!

Recently the main door to the large hall was left wide open when no one was using it! There were no events booked into the halls, so it is unclear who gained access and left without closing up, but they must have had a key to do so! *If you are a halls keyholder, you are able to gain access whenever you need to and entrusted to be responsible!*

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU LOCK UP AND CLOSE ALL THE DOORS BEHIND YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE.

We were lucky, that on this occasion no-one was inside the building when it was checked and nothing had been taken!

AUTUMN FAYRE SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2023

This year the theme will be **Carnival/Circus**. We are delighted with the tremendous offers of help that we have received from Our Lady's Community. The Fayre will be launched this weekend. **All proceeds from the Fayre will be given to established Parish Charities including Foodbanks supported by Our Lady's & the Woodside Bereavement Service.**

Next weekend, we would like to invite to bring an item for either the **Bottle Stall** or the **Surprise Bag Tombola**. You can also support the **Grand Raffle**, with a first prize of £300.00, by taking an envelope with 4 Books of Tickets.

If you can assist in anyway, please contact patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk

The next planning meeting will be on **Tuesday 29th August at 8.15pm**

Mass Intentions 4th - 10th September

4 September: Monday

10:00 Patrick Higgins RIP

5 September: Tuesday

10:00 Christa Paxton RIP

6 September: Wednesday

10:00 Cordelia Darnley & Family RIP

7 September: Thursday

10:00 Wellbeing of Anne Abbott

19:30 Wellbeing & 99th Birthday of Corrie Templeton

8 September: Friday FUNERAL MASS

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00 Koo Kui Chin Li Koon Shing RIP

9 September: Saturday

10:00 Remembrance for Fr Laval

18:00 Joan McHugh RIP

10 September: TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 Maureen Walsh RIP

11:30 Cynthia & Michael O'Sullivan RIP

DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS

Saturday 30th September

Registration for the Annual Diocesan Day for Catechists is now open! This year catechists are invited to register themselves online. The parish will still cover the cost of attending. Please visit the website via this link for all the information about the day and to register: aec.rcaos.org.uk/latest/cat23

CONFIRMATION 2023

The remaining 3 documents required for the Confirmation programme 2023 are now available to download from our website, under the Confirmation tab.

Please print off the handbook for your information. Complete the consent form and **ensure your sponsor completes their form too**.

The completed forms should then be handed in to the parish office or, at the very latest, brought along to the first meeting on Tuesday 5th September in the large hall. *We look forward to seeing you all!*

FAREWELL FR JACKSON & WELCOME FR TOMASZ!

There will be a parish celebration in the large hall **after 11.30am TODAY** to bid a fond farewell to Fr Jackson, before he makes his way to his new parish of Wimbledon.

The following week, on **Sunday 3rd September after 11.30am**, we will gather again in the large hall, this time to welcome Fr Tomasz!

We hope to see you all at both occasions!

GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST

If you are mourning the death of a loved one, this weekend may be for you. It's being held at Aylesford Priory from **October 6th - 8th**

Cost: £230 single, £210 shared

For more details phone **01622 717272**

Or email reception@thefriars.org.uk

*** **SAVE THE DATE** ***

The Commission for Justice Peace and Integrity of Creation
for the **Archdiocese of Southwark**

will be holding an Autumn Assembly on **Saturday 23rd September**

Entitled: **The Right to Stay: Free to Choose**

Addressing the motivations that affect decisions taken to leave one's native land.

Everyone welcome – more information will follow shortly.

For Collection: Anne Barcellos

Baptism certificates: COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

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