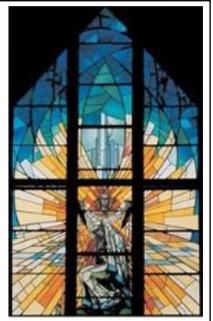




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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

29th March Palm Sunday (page 181 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGIES

Wednesday 1st

Chrism Mass at the Cathedral 11.30am

Maundy Thursday 2nd

Mass of the Last Supper and Watch 'till Mid-Night 7.30pm (**NO 10am Mass**)

Good Friday 3rd

Stations of the Cross 9.00am

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm

Holy Saturday 4th

The Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10.00am

The Easter Vigil 9.00pm

Easter Sunday 5th

Mass 8.30am, 10.00am, 11.30am

Yes, there is a lot going on liturgically at this time of the year. But as we celebrate we are journeying with the Lord as he brings about the events by which we are redeemed. Do your best to witness by your presence that you cherish His sacrifice, and will attempt to embrace those being asked of you.

God bless and enjoy the festival.

Fr. Cajetan & Fr Keith

Mass Intentions This Week

28 March: Saturday

10:00 Rosa & Raymond Lobo RIP

18:00 Peter & Irene Clifford RIP

29 March: PALM SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 Pat Flannery RIP * (**page 176**)

11:30 25th Wedding Anniversary of
Mr & Mrs Linus Anayo Ogbuehi +

30 March: Monday in Holy Week

10:00 Michael James Fernandes RIP

3 Month Anniversary

31 March: Tuesday in Holy Week

FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Marie Wynne RIP

1 April: Wednesday in Holy Week

10:00 Wellbeing of Bridget Meek

15:45 Stations of the Cross

2 April: MAUNDY THURSDAY

19:30 Aiden Holder RIP

Watch Until Midnight

23:45 Night Prayer

3 April: GOOD FRIDAY

09:00 Stations of the Cross

15:00 Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

16:30 - 19:00 *Church open for quiet prayer
and reflection by the tomb*

4 April: HOLY SATURDAY

10:00 Morning Prayer & First Anointing

The Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter

21:00 Intentions of Ethan (RCIA)

5 April: EASTER SUNDAY

08:30 Mick Semeta RIP

10:00 All Parishioners

11:30 Irena Pawelczyk RIP 1st Anniversary

* *With Procession into Church from the
large hall*

+ *With Baptism*

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 24th at 8pm (PRC)

UCM: Wednesday 1st at 8pm (Large Hall)

*** 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.



Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes £ 618.19

Loose cash £ 613.05

S/Os (Approx) £ 1340.00

Total £ 2571.24

COLLECTIONS: Last week's collection for *Poor Parishes* amounted to £863.67. Many thanks. There will be a collection for *Holy Places of Palestine* on Good Friday. *Next week (Easter Sunday) is your personal offering to Fr Keith and Fr Cajetan.* Please pick up an envelope from the porch. Can I ask all parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme, including those who pay by standing order, to use their Gift Aid envelopes. Many thanks.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Casey, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Mary Jayawardena, Peggy Wall, Pat Joyce, Paddy Ryan, Dave Freegard, Lorraine Quinlivan, Westley Adaken, Mervat Nasri, John Wright, Holly Bland & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Petronilla Molyneux, Stanislaw Stepien, Charles Lancaster, Felecita Johnson, Ryszard Siepka, John Groombridge, Brenda Bond, Maria Robinson, Patrick Joseph Carroll, Harold Kelly, Maureen Purcell, Bridget Daly, Bill Cox, Patrick Reddington, Alvaro Pinto, Rosa Lobo, Mary Fitzgerald, Basil Hymas, Paul Franklin, Michael O'Donnell, Bernard Bennett, Michael Semeta, Irena Pawelczyk

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

29th March: Kieran White

5th April: **Easter Sunday** - Shawn Cuddy

12th April: Cross Keys

19th April: **Effie Neill** with the Barry Doyle Band

26th April: **First appearance** - Anton

3rd May: **Bank Holiday** - Theresa Rodgers

10th May: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

17th May: Shane & Mervyn Owens

- **Declan Nerney & His Band** will appear in the Social Club on Friday, 24th April. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Brain Tumour Charity**. To reserve Tickets at £20.00 each, please call **Pat Winston on 07734 250375**.

SONGS OF PRAISE VOLUNTEERING/BIG LUNCH

Filming of the above event to be hosted by our Cultural Diversity Support Group will take place on **Wednesday 15th April**.

Parishioners are warmly invited to a planning meeting this Sunday 29th March at 12.45pm after the 11.30 Mass in the large hall.

Please come and contribute towards making this once in a lifetime opportunity a big success. Many thanks and blessings Sylvia

RECENT DEATH

We are sad to announce the recent death of **Ursula Kennedy**. Her funeral will take place here at **Our Lady's on Friday 17th April at 11.45am**. Please keep Anthony her husband, Paul, Irene, Dawn Brian and their families in your prayers at this difficult time.

PARISH FILM SHOW

This year's show will take place in the **Small Hall, at 7.30pm on Saturday 18th April**. Proceeds will support Croydon Nightwatch. *Flyers with full details will be available after every Mass this weekend.*

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH – ANSWERS TO THE BIG QUESTIONS

Archbishop John Wilson has commissioned a series of short videos and worksheets to answer some of the most important and fundamental questions about our faith. *For further details see page three of the online newsletter or the posters in the church porch.*

UCM CHARITY EVENT SUPPORTING SARCOMA UK MURDER MYSTERY EVENING

Saturday 11th April from 7pm in the church hall
£15 per ticket

Bring your own food and drink for your table

To book tickets please contact **Marie Tross 07774 643159**

PLEASE JOIN US ON A MARY'S MEALS WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Would you like to join a Mary's Meals walking pilgrimage this year? Details of all the pilgrimages are available here:

www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/charity-events/walk-for-hope

Options include the Augustine Camino from Rochester to Ramsgate via Aylesford Priory, Canterbury Cathedral and Minster Abbey from 5th-11th September, and The Way of Our Lady of Consolation from West Grinstead to Storrington and onto Arundel Cathedral from 8th-9th May.

You are very welcome to join us for a single day, for several days, or for a whole pilgrimage. Come on your own or as a group.

To find out more or to sign up, please go to the website above or contact Roy Peachey from Mary's Meals at info@marysmeals.org

JOB VACANCY - FINANCE OFFICER (£37-42k) LALEHAM LEA SCHOOL

Please see the poster in the porch for full details.

Closing date for applications: **Midday on 15th April**

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (April) Readers: (March/April)

Diocesan Safeguarding Office: safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk

FUNERAL NOTICE - IRENE SIEPKA RIP Wednesday 1st April

The service will take place at **12pm**
At Beckenham Crematorium, Elmers End Road, BR3 4TD
All parishioners are welcome to attend.

SAVE THE SCOUT HUT ROOF!

The 28th Croydon Scout Group are raising money to fix their roof! We have lots of exciting events planned and wish to say thank you for all those who helped and came to the race night, as well as all those who have generously donated already!

So many of the parish's young people have benefited and still do from this wonderful organisation that gives so much for our young people. If you would like to donate to help us raise £20,000, please find our 'Just giving' page by scanning this QR code.

Thank you!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION - MARYHILL SCHOOL UGANDA

Thank you so much for your generous donations and support over the years to Maryhill School. Unfortunately, due to constraints on office staff and our organizer, Angela Yates, stepping down, we will no longer accept donations via standing order, so please cancel with immediate effect. Instead, a yearly collection will be organised and sent to the school. You are very welcome to include your donation by cheque or cash as part of this collection. Thank you for your understanding and continued support. *Fr Keith*

LOST PROPERTY

Please note that the shelves at the back of the church where all lost property is deposited, **will be cleared just before Easter**. The shelves are filling up, especially with scarves and gloves from the colder weather and children's toys.

Any unclaimed items will be recycled where possible.

MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE: Who contributed at tea and coffee after Mass last Sunday - funds went towards the John Bradburne Memorial Society, a charity founded in order to help support Mutemwa Leprosy and Care Centre in Zimbabwe, in memory of John Bradburne's dedicated life and work there as Warden between 1969 to 1979, leading to him being declared 'Servant of God' in 2019.

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?

THANK YOU FROM CAFOD

Thank you for your generous support this Family Fast Day. Your kindness is helping families to grow food, even when facing drought and floods. You have shown what it means to love your neighbour this Lent. Find out how your support is making a difference at cafod.org.uk/thankyou

PS: It's not too late to donate – pick up a CAFOD envelope in church or visit cafod.org.uk/envelope

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2026

Celebrations at **St Andrews Church**, Washington Drive, Cippenham, Slough SL1 5RE on **12 April 2026 at 2:30 pm**. The service will be led by Mgr Sean Healy and will include Enthronement of the Image of Merciful Jesus, Mass, Talk, Chaplet, Adoration and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus.

All Welcome to celebrate this glorious feast.

Please call Millie on WhatsApp **07957 594646** for more information

POLITE NOTICE!

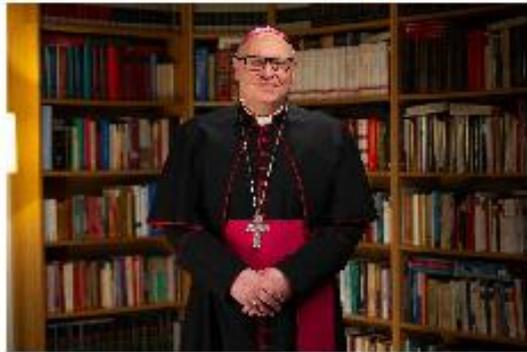
Please do not leave any old religious booklets or books on the table in the porch **without permission from Fr Keith**. Anything left without prior permission will be disposed of. **Many thanks.**



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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>