



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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

29th October 2017 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 146 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A



All that God wants of us is to love Him and to love one another. Why can we not fulfill these commands? Why do we find ourselves so incapable of such a simple commandment? When we are honest with ourselves, we admit that there is something broken in our humanity. Our Catholic Tradition calls this “original sin” and because of our sinfulness, the Father sends His Son to save us in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The first reading today is from the Book of Exodus. It speaks to us of the mercy and compassion that God has for the orphans, the widows and the poor. God tells us

that we must be like Him and also have mercy and compassion in a special way for the orphans, the widows and the poor. This is a requisite of those who belong to the “covenant.”

Today many of us Christians forget that we belong to the “new covenant” with Jesus Christ. We inherit the promises of the Old Covenant and have the gifts of the New Covenant. It is our baptism into Christ that makes us members of this Covenant. It is important for us Christians to remember that in this New Covenant we have the promise and commitment of God Himself for our salvation and for our well-being.

Today’s Gospel from Saint Matthew is very short but also very clear. What is the greatest commandment? To love God and to love one another. This message of the Lord Jesus is very clear: to live is to strive to love! If we want to be faithful to the God who created us, then we must love all others. We know that it is easy to love those who love us. However, Jesus calls us to love everyone and that, in the power of the love he has for us, a special love we must have for our enemies and those who try to destroy us.

We are invited today to live more profoundly the love given to us in Christ Jesus. We are invited to show that love for all people and especially for those who are our enemies in any way. The promise for us, the Covenant, is that we shall possess everlasting life and be with the Lord forever.

Fr. Keill.

WEEKLY DRAW

£5 - Michael Dwyer

CHURCH CLEANING

TEAM C

LAST WEEK’S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 602.66
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 574.54
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£2152.20

Mass Intentions This Week

28 October: Saturday
FEAST OF SAINTS SIMON & JUDE

10:00 Eucharistic Service
 18:00 Nora & Paddy Walsh RIP

29 October:
THIRTIETH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners
 10:00 Paula & Carmelo Teuma RIP
 12:00 Alan Dwyer RIP +

30 November: Monday
 10:00 Teresa Hasicc RIP

31 October: Tuesday
 10:00 Pat & Dan Aherne RIP

VIGIL MASS
 19:30 All Parishioners

1 November: Wednesday
ALL SAINTS

07:00 Holy Souls
 10:00 Michael Hugget RIP

2 November: Thursday
ALL SOULS DAY
 10:00 Lance Baptiste RIP

3 November: Friday
 10:00 Anastasia McHugh RIP

4 November: Saturday
 10:00 Eucharistic Service
 18:00 Ian Sulzendorf RIP

5 November:
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
 08:30 All Parishioners
 10:00 UCM: All Deceased Members
 12:00 Bernard Considine RIP

+ *With Baptism*

COLLECTIONS

Last week’s ACA collection for *Missio* amounted to £532.60. Many thanks. This week there will be an ACA collection for *Our Saint Vincent De Paul Parish Conference*.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: *Geoffrey Bird, John Boswood, Ted Curry, Margarett Collins, Lauren Horwood, Phyllis Donnelly, Steve Richer, José Fernandez*

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: *Joseph D'Souza, Maria Mendonca, Albert Rocca, Nora Walsh, Edward Mobsby, Alan Dwyer, Peter Tuck, Douglas Morrison, Sean Gaffney, Patricia Aherne, Sylvia Pyne, Caroline Mozumder, Mary Good, Oscar Marshall, Anne Farrell, David Bassett, Maria Cowley, Michael Huggett, Vincenzina Lacovara, Frank Hadfield, Peter Lacovera, Ella Bloxham, Anastasia McHugh, Kathleen Duffy, Stan Moore, Terence Hicks, Mary Tims, Lilian White, Vera Hanrahan, Bernard Considine, Eileen McDonald*

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment

Sunday, 29th October: Billy & The North Winds
Sunday, 5th November: **Returning by popular demand TR Dallas**
Sunday, 12th November: Eugene Doonan
Sunday, 19th November: Telstar
Sunday, 26th November: **First appearance of Ally Harron & Marion Curry**

The evening with **Declan Nerney and His Band** on Friday, 17th November is **a sell out**. Admission will be **strictly by ticket only**. You can still support this event by donating an item for the raffle/ auction. All proceeds from the event will be given to the **Critical Care Unit at King's College Hospital**.

Coming soon

- **Take That & Robbie Williams Tribute Night** on Friday, 26th January

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - THANK YOU

Thank you very much for your contribution to last week's World Mission Sunday collection. Your prayers and donations will help missionaries across the world share the Gospel of peace with those in greatest need. Please pray for the work of Missio and all those working to offer the love of Jesus, that we may remain strong in our witness to Christ's love for all peoples. To continue supporting Missio throughout the year please go to:

mission.org.uk or call 020 7821 9755

UNITY CLUB

The Unity Club are desperately looking for help to put the tables and chairs away after their meetings on a Friday. Help would be appreciated between 3.30 and 4pm. If you can assist, please come along to the Large Hall or ring **Mary or Pat Kingman** on **8406 5377**.

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER LIST

We invite you to take a Holy Souls envelope from the table at the back of the church. Write a list of any family and friends who have died, and put it in the envelope. These envelopes are placed in our Memorial chapel (in the Lady Chapel) and your deceased loved ones will be remembered at all Masses during the month of November.

Any donations in the envelopes are used as Mass stipends for Masses for the Holy Souls throughout the year.

EXTRAORDINARY LIVES EXTRAORDINARY SAINTS A conference for young Catholics in Healthcare from the Catholic Medical Association

Saturday 4th November

An inspirational one-day conference hosted by and for young Catholic healthcare workers / students: a celebration of Catholics in healthcare. Catholic doctors, nurses, midwives, pharmacists and many others make huge contributions to healthcare in Britain and around the world. Please book by emailing:

events@catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk

Held at: **St Aloysius Catholic Church, Euston. 12—6pm**

* PLEASE ALSO SEE THE FLYER IN THE PORCH *

NIGHT UNDER THE STARS - WITH THE PASSAGE

The Passage, a Christian Charity working with homeless people, is holding a fundraising concert at the Royal Festival Hall on **Tuesday 7th November** on the theme Russian Soul with Griff Rhys Jones as presenter. The music includes pieces by Rachmaninov, Borodin, Mussorgsky and Tchaikovsky with soloists Boris Giltburg, Duncan Rock and Robert Lloyd.

For more details visit **http://nutsconcert.com/** or call **020 7592 1856**

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 31st at 10.30am (Large Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 31st at 8pm (PRC)

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

RCIA: Death, Resurrection & Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick -
Wednesday 1st at 8pm (PRC)

Refugee Support Group: Thursday 2nd at 8pm (Small Hall)

REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP

Our Lady's Refugee Support Group meets on Thursday 2nd November at 8pm in the small hall. Anyone who is interested in helping a Syrian family to settle in Addiscombe is welcome to attend.

For more details contact **Chris Sciberras** on **8654 6150**

ST. THOMAS BECKET SCHOOL WINTER FAIR 2017

Our Winter Fair will be on **Sunday 26th November** from **12 -4pm**. Join us for an afternoon of fun including Circus Skills, Face Painting, Becket BBQ, Bar, Hot Drinks & Cakes, Christmas Stall, Tombolas etc. We'd love to see all members of our community. We will soon be selling raffle tickets for our Grand Draw after all masses. There will also be envelopes with tickets for you to take home and sell to your family & friends.

UCM

Our next meeting is on **1st November** at **8pm** in the large hall. It will be a Movie night with popcorn, juice and tea. Entry is **£4**.

PRIMARY SCHOOL REFERENCES

Forms are now available to download from the website. Please return the completed form to the presbytery, before ringing to arrange an appointment with Fr Keith. Appointments begin **next week** and will run all through November.

REPOSITORY

A lovely selection of **CHRISTMAS CARDS** is now on sale in the Shop. **DIARIES** are also on sale.

As soon as the Confirmations have taken place, Advent calendars, other calendars, cribs, candles and lots of other lovely Christmas items will be on sale, all very reasonably priced. So please don't do all your Christmas shopping before you have visited our Repository!

CROYDON JUSTICE & PEACE DEANERY MEETING Saturday 4th November 10am - 12 pm at Our Lady's

A Deanery meeting for Justice and Peace Groups is taking place in the PRC room of Our Lady's. The Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation (JPIC) Co-ordinator for the Archdiocese of Southwark, Marie Bullard, will be joining the meeting to bring us up to date with her work. We hope to meet others involved in educating and increasing awareness of Christian and Catholic Social Teaching, as well as exploring issues on which we can all work together. Tea, coffee & biscuits available at 10am for 10.30am start.

Contact **Jim Jones** on **07743 916471** or

Chris Sciberras on **8654 6150** for more information.

ST CATHERINE FAITH & ART SERIES AT CCF Tuesday 31st October 7.30pm

Pierpaolo Finaldi will be exploring the Blessed Virgin Mary in painting and sculpture by looking at some of the most important images that have inspired devotion through the centuries ranging from Eastern Icons through Florentine depictions of the Maesta to Baroque images. Mary has also been the ultimate model of prayer and we will survey how some of the most beautiful images of our Blessed Mother at prayer can serve as an encouragement for our own prayer-life. Contact: **ccftootingbec.org.uk** or ring **8672 7684**

Items for collection: *T Ward, J Isaac, H Munangatire x 2, A Farrelly, A Ajaegbu, M Dwyer*

Bapt Certs: *Allen*

Rotas: *Eucharistic Ministers (November) Readers (November / December)*