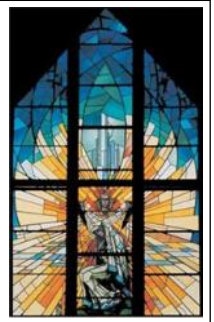




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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29th October 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 146 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

WHY DO WE HAVE SAINTS?

All Saints feast is almost here! On Wednesday we will be gazing into heaven thanking God for His faithful love!

Moreover, it will be a great day to celebrate our own patron saint!

We will be united with them, now in heaven, as they glorify God for the work He has done in their lives.

Why do we have saints though?

- Because they prove that God's promise of love is true!
- Because they prove that it is possible to be a saint.
- Because we need them! They intercede for us, supporting us on our own journey into the Father's arms.
- Because they give us an example of how and what we should choose to be fulfilled and wholesome.

They cannot get tired anymore, so let's keep them busy and ask them to be with us until we meet in the bliss of God's gaze!

Fr Tomasz Margol

ATTENTION: IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that Canon Gerard will be celebrating Confirmation for our young people at **11.30am Mass next Sunday 5th November**. This Mass will be very crowded so we kindly ask members of the congregation not involved in this celebration, to attend at an alternative time next weekend. *Many thanks.*

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 31st at 8pm (PRC)

Confirmation Rehearsal: Tuesday 31st at 7.30pm (Church)

UCM: Wednesday 1st at 8.15pm (Large Hall) *With Special Guest - Fr Tomasz*

RCIA: Wednesday 1st at 8pm (PRC) *The Feast of All Saints*



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 443.00
Loose cash	£ 699.50
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1290.00
Total	£ 2432.50

Mass Intentions This Week

28 October: Saturday

SAINTS SIMON & JUDE

10:00 Harold, Michael & Harry Sweeney RIP

18:00 Nora & Paddy Walsh RIP

29 October: THIRTIETH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 Kathleen Finnegan RIP 1st Anniversary

11:30 Mary Good RIP 17th Anniversary +

30 October: Monday

10:00 Frankie Dolan & Gerry Bohan RIP

10th Anniversary

31 October: Tuesday

10:00 Alan Dwyer RIP

Holyday of Obligation Vigil Mass

18:00 Elizabeth Ellis RIP 1st Anniversary

1 November: Wednesday ALL SAINTS

07:30 Holy Souls

10:00 Gerry Bohan RIP

2 November: Thursday ALL SOULS

10:00 John Boswood & David Warner RIP

19:30 Anastasia McHugh RIP

3 November: Friday

10:00 Richard & Ellen Stevenson RIP

4 November: Saturday

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO

10:00 Ian & Thecla Sulzdorf RIP

18:00 Adrienne & Lance Baptiste RIP

5 November: THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY

08:30 Birthday Wishes for Cecilia Okeke

10:00 UCM: Ints of Gemma Gjergji's Family

& her mother Sandra RIP

Confirmation Mass

11:30 All Parishioners

+ *With Baptism*

***** DEFIBRILLATOR *****

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

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for *World Mission Sunday* amounted to £555.00. Many thanks. This week there is an ACC collection for *Croydon Nightwatch*. Next week the second collection will be in aid of the charities supported by our Confirmands this year.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Geoffrey Bird, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Fr Alan Sharpe, Jean Carpenter, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Michael Hewish, Ann Page

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: 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, Oscar Marshall, Anne Farrell, David Bassett, Maria Cowley, Michael Huggett, Antonio Braiotta, Vincenzina Lacovara, Frank Hadfield, Peter Lacovera, Gloria Browne, Ella Bloxham, Anastasia McHugh, Thecla Sulzdorf, Kathleen Duffy, Stan Moore, Terence Hicks, Mary Tims, Lilian White, Vera Hanrahan, Bernard Considine, Eileen McDonald, Dennis Barnett

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

22nd October: Theresa Rodgers

29th October: The Duets

5th November: Kieran White

12th November: Pat Jordan

19th November: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

26th November: Shane & Mervyn Owens

3rd December: Theresa Rodgers

10th December: Glen Flynn

17th December: Frank Nelson

- On Friday, 24th November the Social Club will feature **Declan Nerney & His Band**. All proceeds from this event will support the Brain Tumour Charity & Research into the Williams Syndrome. You can also support this event by donating an item for the Raffle/Auction.

Tickets at £15.00 each can be reserved by calling Pat Winston on 07734 250375.

RECENT DEATH

We are sad to announce the recent death of **Peter Domfeh** on 19th October. Please remember Peter, his son Papa, and the rest of the family in your prayers at this difficult time. May he **Rest In Peace**.

TALK ON BIBLICAL ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST

Please note that Fr Tomasz's talk next Wednesday (1st Nov) **will only take place in the morning at 11.15am**.

Topic: If God is Love why do people die of cancer?
If we are Christian, why are we afraid of things?
Why should we fast?

Useful books about the Eucharist:

Jesus Our Eucharistic Love - by Fr Stefano M. Manelli

Jesus and the Jewish roots of the Eucharist - by Brant Pitre

The Mystery of Faith - by Fr Tadeusz Dajczer

A Biblical Walk Through The Mass - by Edward Sri

*** COFFEE MORNING TODAY ***

TO SALUTE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Please join us TODAY for tea, coffee & cake after the 10am & 11.30am Masses in the large hall to celebrate Black History month and Black leaders of the Faith! Any donations will go to support Sickle Cell charities. **We look forward to seeing you there!**

PEGGY FAIRSERVICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Our well known elderly parishioner Peggy Fairservice, is in need of a lift to the **6pm Saturday Mass** each week. Peggy lives very close to church but is not able to attend without assistance, and is really missing it. If you are able to help out by picking her up, please speak to Fr Keith after Mass and we will put you in touch. *Many thanks.*

** REPOSITORY SHOP **

Confirmation cards and gifts are now on sale in the Repository.

Christmas cards, 2024 diaries and calendars are also on sale at very reasonable prices; boxed cards are the same price as last year!

FAIR TRADE ADVENT CALENDARS – SAVE £6!

The Meaningful Chocolate Company is offering fair trade Advent calendars at £4.50 along with other seasonal goodies – see www.realadvent.co.uk – and you can save £6 postage & packing by adding your order to a bulk order through church. Please pass your order and money to Andy Bebington at 79 Shirley Way by the end of October and he will arrange delivery in good time.

Any queries? He's at andy.bebington@gmail.com or 8777 4840

For Collection:

Baptism certificates: COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (Nov)

NEW PROJECT ALERT

Croydon East Wellness Support Network (CrESNT), presents WELDERLIES BRUNETTE MEET-UP

This event aims to support the over 65s achieve their self-care. Join us at the Project Launch Reception on **Thursday 9th November 11am-1pm** at **Ashburton Park Café**.

Find out more about CrESNT and help shape the activities of the meet-ups.

Text **07375 824615** to book for catering plans.

Please note that Croydon Central East includes residents in Addiscombe, Park Hill, Shirley and Woodside

OUR LADY'S ASCENT GROUP (Members of Life Ascending)

Is meeting every second Tuesday in the Large Hall after 10am Mass. Life Ascending is a Catholic Organisation for people in middle and later life. It celebrates our faith and the sharing of common experiences of life. It encourages friendship between retired people, stimulates thoughts and discussion. It helps us to reflect on the purpose of our own lives as we grow older. Please do join us.

7th November: CaFE Video on St. Therese of Liseaux

21st November: CaFE Video on St. Catherine of Sienna

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Coloma Convent Girls' School is holding a Mass of Remembrance on **Thursday 9th November at 2pm** to remember all deceased Coloma students, staff & family members. Families of those who have died are warmly invited to attend this Mass which will take place at the school. If you would like to attend, please **RSVP to liturgy@coloma.croydon.sch.uk by 2nd November** indicating the name of your loved one so that they can be remembered at this Mass.

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER LIST

We invite you to take a Holy Souls envelope from the table at the back of church. Write a list of any family and friends who have died, and put it in the envelope. **Please place the envelope in the secure 'offertory' box at the back of church.** The list of names will then be 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.

CHORISTER OPPORTUNITIES AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

Every September, Westminster Cathedral Choir School welcomes up to six choristers into Years 4 or 5. Becoming a chorister is a one-off opportunity to join a thriving choir and school. This year we are offering families the chance to explore the idea by joining us on a brief Zoom call, where we take a behind the scenes look at the life of a chorister. Our next Zoom session is at **6.30pm on Wednesday 22nd November**. Families should contact Lucy Auger for a link to join at: lauger@choirschool.com

SOUTHWARK ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON BRETHEN CIO Charity Number 1203417

Previously known as 'The Southwark Brethren' however we are now an incorporated charity known as above. Our aims have grown and we now support all priests, working or retired. Recently we have been able to help with emergency hospital and dental treatment, but this is just the tip of the iceberg. Medical needs present themselves, which are varied and complex and cannot always be supplied by the diocese or priest himself. Therefore we are asking for your generous support to continue our work for priests in whatever way is needed. If you can help please send a donation in one of the following ways:

Cheques, payable to **Southwark Arundel & Brighton Brethren CIO** sent to **3 Birch Way Warlingham CR6 9DA** or by standing order by contacting Frederika or Fr Paul Hough on **07939 654522**, and we will send the account details.

Thank you in advance for your support.