

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD : READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 176**

<b>Saturday 28th March</b> 6.30pm	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord</b> Marie McMorrow RIP	
<b>Sunday 29th March</b> 8.30am	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord</b> Mary Stubbs RIP	Repository open after Mass
10.00am	Eileen Maxted RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 30th March</b> 9.30am	<b>Monday of Holy Week</b> Michael Kelly RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday 31st March</b> 9.30am	<b>Tuesday of Holy Week</b> Agnes Medley RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
<b>Wednesday 1st April</b> 8.30am	<b>Wednesday of Holy Week</b> Stella Pereira Jennings RIP	
<b>Maundy Thursday 2nd April</b> 8.00pm	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> William John Griffith RIP	
<b>Friday 3rd April</b> 11.00am 3.00pm	<b>Friday of the Passion of The Lord</b> <b>Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Passion of The Lord</b>	
<b>Saturday 4th April</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b> No Mass	8.45am Morning Prayer
8.00pm <b>Easter Vigil Mass</b>	<b>Easter Vigil Mass</b> Mary Boryczka RIP	
<b>Sunday 5th April</b> 8.30am	<b>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord</b> Freddie and Millie Baldwin RIP	
10.00am	Intentions of Moreen Hegarty	
11.30am	People of the Parish	

Collection	22nd March 2026	Second Collection	
Not Gift aided	£457.70	This week	Next week
Gift Aided	£316.77	None	None
Total	£774.47		
Monthly Standing Order	£4157		

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

### For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - If you would like to request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to:

[regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** - Those who have died recently: David Dennis, Ella Duncan, Rosa Steel, Polly Morris and those who are in poor health: Mary Lewis and Michael Loftus and Alfie Cappuccio.

**HAIL HOLY QUEEN** Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

**V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.**

**R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.**

### FOODBANK

As we enter the period of Lent, we would like to encourage you once again to remember those who find themselves in need of the Foodbank.

A list of items required is at the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity and continued support.

### ST PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL – Easter Reflection

Parents, carers and parishioners are warmly invited to attend our Year 3 and 4 Easter reflection service on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 11am** at St Lawrence's Church. In this Lenten season, this is an opportunity to gather together as a school and parish community and reflect on Jesus' journey to the cross – God's ultimate sacrifice for us. We would love for you to join us.

### PARISH FILM NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came to our Parish Film Night. Your generosity is very much appreciated, and we are pleased to share that **£65 was raised** in support of Mustard Seed Communities UK.

We look forward to seeing you again next month! Our next Parish Film Night will take place on **Friday, 10th April**—all are warmly welcome.

**GOOD FRIDAY** Walk of Witness departs from St. John's Church at 9.45am, finishing at The Crescent. Tea/coffee and hot cross buns afterwards at Christ Church. All welcome. A reminder that copies of "Harmony" magazine can be found at the back of Church, giving further details of this & other CTiS events.

**GOOD FRIDAY** - A day of fasting and abstinence. The Good Friday collection is for the Holy Places for their upkeep and to maintain Christian schooling in those areas.

## MORNING MASS ON WEDNESDAY THE 1ST OF APRIL

The morning Mass will take place at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, 1st April. Everyone is also invited to attend the Chrism Mass, which will be celebrated at St. George's Cathedral at 11:30 a.m.

### EASTER GIFT TO YOUR PARISH PRIEST

At Easter, we celebrate the joy of the Resurrection and the many blessings we share as a parish community. The collection at Easter is a special offering in support of your Parish Priest. You are invited to use the Easter Offering envelopes or the contactless payment terminals. Bank transfers are also welcome—please use the reference "*Easter Offering*". Thank you for your generosity and for all that you give to the life of our parish.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND CONFESSIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY IS AT 11AM

### REFRESHMENTS AND REPOSITORY – ALL WELCOME

Join us every Sunday for refreshments in the hall after both the 8:30am and 10:00am Masses. The repository will also be open during this time.

We are pleased to let you know that we now have **St Patrick and Easter cards** available for purchase. All are warmly welcome!

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY – MARCH DATES

We are delighted to invite children to our Children's Liturgy, which takes place during Sunday Mass at 10 a.m. This term, we will meet on the following dates: 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th March (Palm Sunday – marking the start of Holy Week).

All children are warmly welcome.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE – Volunteers Needed

Our parish is looking for new members to join the Finance Committee. This committee helps support the parish by advising on financial matters and assisting with good stewardship of parish resources.

If you would be interested in joining, or would simply like to find out more about what is involved, please speak to **Father Regis**.

Your help and support would be greatly appreciated.

### FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH – DATE CHANGE

Please note that the First Friday Lunch will **not** take place on Good Friday, **3rd April**. Instead, it will be held on **Friday, 10th April**, from **12:00 to 2:00 p.m.**

Everyone is warmly welcome to join us!

### MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE - July 11th, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup>/50<sup>th</sup>/60<sup>th</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than the middle of May**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Contact us at [mfise@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mfise@rcaos.org.uk) As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Clapham, Beckenham.

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RC Archdiocese of Southwark**