St Mary's Catholic Church Clapham

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Sunday Mass Times: 5.30pm (Sat Vigil), 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Portuguese Mass: Sunday 5pm. Chaplain Fr Marcos Pinto 020 7587 0881 Weekday Masses: 7am and 12.30pm Saturday Masses: 9.30am and 12.30pm

Confessions on Saturday 10am-10.30am, 4.45-5.15pm, 6.30-7pm, 7.30pm

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help every Saturday at 7pm

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 18th January 2015

Today is Peace Sunday: and the theme selected by Pope Francis for the World Day of Peace in 2015 is "Slaves no more, but brothers and sisters". Let us not only pray for peace but also work for peace in the name of Christ - the Prince of Peace - wherever we are.

"Make me a channel of your peace!" - St Francis



Pope Francis prays for peace



The Octave of Prayer for Christian unity begins today:
Do what you can here in Clapham to join with Christians of all churches to share in worship, prayer and action organised by Churches together in Clapham (CTiC).

To fulfil Christ's will for his followers that they may all be one.

Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Sr Chris Fealy FMDM, John Rossiter, Frank Griffith, Joanna Elliott, Christina Kraffit, Deirdre Wetheral, John McGuckin, John Redmond, Edith, David Gillett, Frank Fitzpatrick.

Those who have died recently: Ugo Gardin, Philip Smyth, Concetta Borg, Kathryn Devine, Emmanuel Farrugia, James Eaton, Toby Alnutt, Isabel Donohue.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Doreen Giles, Michael Igoh, Connie Moore.

Prayer Intention: That each one of us will work for peace and pray for peace: in our hearts, in our families, in our countries for all people of the earth.

Funeral Mass for Philip Smyth, RIP, Monday, 19 January, 12.30pm.

Funeral Mass for Concetta Borg, RIP, Wednesday, 28 January, 12.30pm.

Funeral Mass for Emmanuel Farrugia RIP, Thursday, 29 January, 10.00am.

Funeral Mass for Ugo Gardin RIP, Friday, 30 January, 11.00am.

Parish Surgeries with Fr Michael - no appointment needed on the following days: Wednesday, 21 January, 4-6pm Monday, 26 January, 4-6pm

Last week's collection:

Gift Aid envelopes £610.21 Loose plate £1214.55

Gift Aid Scheme: if you are a tax-payer and you normally contribute via the loose plate you could join the Gift Aid Scheme and add an extra 25% to the collection. Many thanks for your continued support.

Redemptorist Youth Ministry (RYM)

RYM MASS FOR BLESSINGS IN 2015 - for YOUNG ADULTS (18-35) To mark our first gathering of 2015 - RYM London would like to extend a SPECIAL INVITATION to ALL YOUNG ADULTS in the parish and area to join us for the celebration of Holy Mass to pray for blessings, health & peace in 2015. Fr Joseph Musendami C.Ss.R will celebrate Holy Mass for Young Adults in St Mary's, Clapham at 7pm on Thursday 22nd January 2015. If you are 18-35 and have any special prayers, intentions or hopes for 2015 - why not make a SPECIAL EFFORT to come along and place them before The Lord as we gather as a young community of faith. We will then meet for a social drink & light supper locally following Mass. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Paul Murphy on paul.murphy@redemptorists.co.uk or phone 0775 123 7473 You can also follow us on Twitter @RYM GB

Pax Christi - the Peace of Christ based on the gospel and inspired by faith works with all who share their values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice. Why not pick up an envelope in the church today and bring back your offering next week for Peace Sunday, 18 January, 2015.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today Sunday, 18 January, and continues until Sunday, 25 January. Our united act of worship will be on Tuesday, 20 January at 7.30pm at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Narbonne Avenue. The Speaker will be John Richardson of Churches together in South London. Everyone is most welcome.

Robes in Clapham will resume on Saturday 24th Jan and will run until 28th March. Volunteers should have received their forms by Email; please could you return them as soon as possible. Queries to Steve Daly 07840 701613 or Clare Turner 020 7622 7857.

<u>A CONCERT</u> in St Mary's Church, to celebrate recent improvements to the fine Hunter instrument, our resident organist, Antony le Fleming will present a programme of organ favourites and will be joined by saxophonist, David Stahl. 7.00pm Thursday, 29 January, 2015. Admission free - but there will be a collection for the Church Spire Fund.

The First Communion classes have resumed and the **Journey in Faith** is already on its way. Pray for all who are engaged in these two major Courses.

The Ghanaian Association is being re-established here in Clapham. Thanks to all who came to our last meeting. The next meeting is after the 12noon Mass next Sunday, 25 January, again in the Clement Room at the Monastery.

The Red Mission Boxes are due in now - please bring yours in and leave it in the Sacristy to be emptied. Many thanks for your on-going support for the Missions.

Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament** - opportunity for quiet prayer in the Transept from 2pm to 7pm

Marriage: Please note, Diocesan Policy is to require six months notice. If you are planning to get married in a Catholic Church here or abroad please contact St Mary's Office as soon as possible.

Fr Charles Corrigan would like to thank everyone for their kind greetings and prayers in thanksgiving for his Golden Jubilee of Priesthood.

The Parish Pastoral Council meets on Wednesday, 21 January, in the Garden Room at 7.30pm.