

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

Third Sunday of Easter - April 19th 2015

"The Risen Christ" Borgognone 1510



Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Sr Chris Fealy FMDM, John Rossiter, Frank Griffith, Joanna Elliott, Christina Kraffit, Deirdre Wetheral, Edith, David Gillett, Frank Fitzpatrick, Coleen Hansberry, Maura O'Connor, Clare Bow, Teresa Moreno.

Those who have died recently: Helen Mary Gentry, Roselyn Carmen Pedge, Leila Hai, Judy Kavanagh, Willy Folan.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Michael Comerford, Kate Fitzgerald.

Prayer Intention: That we may all rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus and lift up our hearts to thank God for the blessings of the Easter Season.

Tuesday, 28 April 2015: 12.30pm Funeral Mass for Roselyn Carmen Pedge, RIP

Wednesday, 29 April 2015: 12.30pm Funeral Mass for Leila Hai, RIP

Parish Surgeries - with Fr Michael, no appointment needed

Monday, 20 April, 4-6pm Monday, 27 April, 4-6pm

Last week's collections:

Gift Aid envelopes £541.81 Loose plate £835.46

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 support.

Redemptorist Youth Ministry (RYM). If you are 18-35 and you would like to be part of this thriving group, come along. The next meeting is on Thursday, 30 April, in the Clement Room of the Monastery. For more information contact Paul - paul.murphy@redemptorists..co.uk or phone 0775

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Notice of Vacancy: The Clapham Relief Fund is in search of a voluntary trustee with financial experience who could undertake the role of treasurer for the charity. See Notice in the Church Porch.

Don't miss the treasures in our church - see the "brief guide" to St Mary's at the back of the church and give yourself a guided tour - "Welcome"

First Holy Communion for 2015 - final classes on Sundays, 19 and 26 April. Rehearsals on Fridays, May 1st and 8th.

Good News for the Parish is that our New Website is up and running - do look it up at the address on this newsletter: www.stmarys-clapham.org.uk. Enjoy the spectacular photographs and catch up with what's on offer - see Facebook and Twitter too!

Further Good News for the Easter Season - tea/coffee starts again today after 10am Mass. But please be careful in the garden to look after your children - and enjoy.

Important Date for Your Diary: The Nine Days Prayer in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help the annual Festival of Faith - begins on 19 June and concludes with the great Feast on 27 June, 2015.

Two Fire Blankets have been placed for safety in the Church - one near the Lady Chapel and one near St Gerard's Chapel. Please note where they are situated in case of emergency.

DANGER - Beware! Parents and Guardians in particular are warned to be **VERY** careful of their children near lighted candles. There was a serious incident in church recently which highlighted the danger. All of us need to be careful all the time.

Another Concern: if your child wishes to go to the toilet please be sure to accompany your child.

A Reminder on Holy Communion Etiquette - allow those in the back rows to come forward first and then please come down the centre aisle and return by the side aisles to avoid confusion and chaos. And please be careful with prams and buggies not to block the aisles in case of an accident. Many thanks.

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.

Volunteers needed: various needs have been highlighted - especially for the cleaning of the church.

You are invited to attend a Conference with challenging talks and presentations on "The Family; God's Masterpiece" on 2 May 2015 at St George's Cathedral Amigo Hall, starting 9.30am - 6.00pm. Register: email conference@flionline.org or call 0208 857 9950.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Wednesday, 22 April at 7.30pm in the Garden Room.

Many thanks again from <u>Missio</u> - you can collect a Red Box from the table at the church door.