

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 Succour (Help) every Saturday at 7pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)



Today the Parish welcomes *Sarah Miles* who many of us know from her work at the *Ace of Clubs*. She will speak to us about her role and the needs of this wonderful Centre.

This week the Church celebrates the beginning of a Holy Year - the Year of Mercy - from the 8th December 2015 to the 20th November 2016.

Today is also the 2nd Sunday of Advent. We continue with our reverent waiting.

Peace be yours!
Fr Richard CSsR PP

CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA!

A **HUGE** thank you goes out to everybody who made Saturday's Extravaganza so special. A wonderful celebration was had by all - old friends were caught up with, and new friends were made! A special **thanks** goes to the dedicated members of the parish who worked so hard behind the scenes to ensure we all had fun. Thank you Thank you!

Please pray for all those who are sick. Sr Chris Fealey, and Pat Lines.

Those who have died recently.

Ben Green, Tommy Dargan, Isobel Davidson and baby Milania Byrne.

Those whose anniversaries are around this time. Lily Comerford, Holda Mell, Vincenzo Iacolino, Daphne Sawyer, James Murphy, Nicholas Foley, and Marcus Joyce..

May they all rest in peace.

Figures from Sunday the **29 Nov 2015 Gift Aid** £450 .79 **Loose Plate** £ 1,084.17

RCIA meets on Tuesday 8th Dec at 7pm. **Apologies** for last weeks no show!

Squatters in the hall! Last week some squatters broke into the hall and took possession of it! Due to the law we have to go through several processes to get possession ourselves - even though it is our hall.

Apologies to all who may be affected!

We are off to court on Monday!

St Mary's School Christmas Play will be in the church on Wednesday 9th of December. Due to the 'squatters' the children were unable to practice in the hall nor will be they be able to perform on our hall's stage. Nonetheless, Wed 6.30pm will be magical.

Check out our websites to find out our news!

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Tuesday is the Solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** the principle Patron of the Diocese and of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer.

CSsR

The next **surgery** will be on **Wednesday 9th Dec 4pm - 6pm.** Everyone is most welcome!

Behold I make all things new - 29th Dec 2015
- 1st Jan 2016. Age 16 - 35

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A Pastoral Message from Archbishop Peter will be read out at all masses today. "so should we be lavish in being merciful, especially through reflecting on and practicing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy."

A **new Parish Secretary** has been appointed and she will take up her new position on the 11th of January 2016. We all look forward to welcoming her into the family.

The Christmas Lunch for the Senior Citizens will take place on SATURDAY 12th December 2015. A great celebration of food and fun!

PILGRIMAGE To ROME in Honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, 150 years with the Redemptorists! 25th 30th April 2016.

Hand back your forms with the deposit please.

Parish Pastoral Council **(PPC)** will meet this Wednesday.

Next weekend Fr Richard CSsR will be away in Madrid on business for the Redemptorists. Fr Peter will be keeping everything running smoothly!

Enjoy the week!