



St Mary's Catholic Church Clapham

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY (C) *Solemnity*

St. Alphonsus Liguori's meditation on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Grant me the gift of holy **fear** , so that it may act on me as a check to prevent me from falling back into my past sins, for which I beg pardon.

Grant me the gift of **piety** , so that I may serve You for the future with increased fervor, follow with more promptness Your holy inspirations, and observe your divine precepts with greater fidelity.

Grant me the gift of **knowledge** , so that I may know the things of God and, enlightened by Your holy teaching, may walk, without deviation, in the path of eternal salvation.

Grant me the gift of **fortitude** , so that I may overcome courageously all the assaults of the devil, and all the dangers of this world which threaten the salvation of my soul.

Grant me the gift of **counsel** , so that I may choose what is more conducive to my spiritual advancement and may discover the wiles and snares of the tempter.

Grant me the gift of **understanding** , so that I may apprehend the divine mysteries and by contemplation of heavenly things detach my thoughts and affections from the vain things of this miserable world.

Grant me the gift of **wisdom** , so that I may rightly direct all my actions, referring them to God as my last end; so that, having loved Him and served Him in this life, I may have the happiness of possessing Him eternally in the next.

Enjoy the Gifts and celebrate this day! Peace! Fr Richard Reid CSsR PP

Office Hours for the Parish Office are **10am - 1.30pm** and **2.30pm - 6pm**. To make contact directly with **the parish secretary**, phone **0207 501 3961**

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Congratulations to all our little parishioners who received their First Holy Communion on Ascension Sunday or today Pentecost Sunday.

Thank you to all our catechists who worked so hard to ensure our children are fully prepared. We have a wonderful team of people within the parish who generously give of their time. If you would like to join the catechetical team speak to of the priests.

Thank you also to our fantastic parents who have ensured their little ones receive the GIFT of the Lord, in Holy Communion.

New Gift Aid Envelopes now available for collection after all Sunday Masses.

Please pray for all those who are sick:

Sr Chris Fealey, Paula Malone, Theresa Hunt,
Joan Guillaumier, Rosalind Hunt, Rosalind Lewis
Suelza Maria Angela Geraldine Christy, Joan Waldon
Breda Barry, Patrick Sullivan, Patrick Daily,
Jim Malone and Charles Radziwill.

For those who have died recently

Patrick Graham

Your financial contribution last Sunday

Gift Aid £ 390.40

Loose Plate £ 1411.72

Thanks for your continued generosity.

Be sure and keep your diary up to date!

Dates for your diary

3rd June - Book Launch

8th June - PPC Meeting

11th June - Br Charles makes Perpetual Profession

12th June - Br Charles' Ordination to the Diaconate

17th June - 25th June - Nine Days Prayers OLPS

25th June - Parish Garden Fete

2nd July - Redemptorist Celebration of
150yrs of Perpetual Succour

6th July - PPC Meeting

9th July - Ace of Clubs 21st Birthday!

17th July - Holy Redeemer Feast Day

The New Book about St Mary's Clapham

There will a **Book Launch on Fri 3rd June 6pm** when Fr Brendan McConvery CSsR will be here to give a presentation and sign copies of the book.

Free glass of wine!

Still on sale is our very own Redemptorist Publications book about St Marys, or to give us our formal and official title, The Church of Our Immaculate Lady of Victories and its Redemptorist Community!

This excellent book was written by Fr Brendan McConvery CSsR, and he has done wonderful research and found out things we didn't even know about the church - e.g., the Stations of the Cross were given as a present from the ex King Umberto of Italy! In addition to this, the photographs in the book were taken by our very own parishioner Jess Esposito. I genuinely feel very proud of this book of 85 pages and honestly think it is a steal at only £5.

Have a good and peaceful week!

Parish Surgery - Mon 16th May - 4-6pm

All welcome to come along and see one of the priests - no appointment necessary.

Next Parish Surgery Mon 23rd May.

Help needed for the Garden Party

Saturday 25th June

Thank you to those who turned up to the meeting on Tuesday, however we still need more volunteers to 'man' the stalls on the day. Also need bottles (alcoholic and non alcoholic) for the bottle tumble and we will also need cakes for the cake stall.

Can you help?

Dina Raouf-Tapp on 07976953042 or

email her – dinaraouf@talktalk.net

Our Lady of Fatima being celebrated on Sunday 29 May at 5pm at St Matthew's, West Norwood, SE27 9JU

Laurels School Fete SW12 0NA

- 21st May 12 - 3pm

Martyrs' Walk walking along the Tyburn Way
Sun 26th June 2016 - see poster.

Nine Days Prayer

Fri 17th - Sat 25th 2016

Note the change of dates.

Pick up and distribute flyers!

English Teacher wanted in Virgo Fidelis Convent Senior School - see poster.

National Shrine of St Jude

Summer Celebration 28th May 2016

Next Sunday **TRINITY**

Following Sunday **CORPUS CHRISTI**

Churches Together in Clapham

Have a new web site and everyone is encouraged to visit it and have a look!

CTiClapham.org

Enjoy PENTECOST!