



# St Mary's Catholic Church Clapham

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**Rector and Parish Priest:** Fr Richard Reid CSsR **Curate:** Fr David Raju CSsR  
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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

## Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

### HOW TO MAKE DISCIPLES



*This week has been a hectic week with lots of interesting things going on! One thing in particular is the fact that the courts have told the squatters to get out of the hall - and we have spent a large part of the week sorting the place out! Nonetheless the hall is slowly clearing up.*

*Our squatter friends are not to be confused with the poor and the homeless - because they are not. These are groups of young people, many of whom have jobs, who break into empty properties claiming 'squatters right'. It is as simple as that and no one can do anything until the whole process is dealt with by the Courts.*

*Our friends simply left and went elsewhere when they saw the court papers - leaving a mess and not one single penny in rent!*

*From Mon to Fri I will be away, as I am giving a community of Poor Clares nuns their retreat. I shall use this time wisely and spend a lot of time in prayer - especially for you!*

*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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**Please pray for all those who are sick:**

Sr Chris Fealey, Teresa Hunt, Stephanie Cryan, Kevin Kelly, Marion Meacock, Barbara Bohanna, Mary Donellan, Rosa Maria Santos, Constance O'Brien, Dominic Kiely, Patrick Kavanagh, Molly Carol and Ligia Cardoso

**Those who have died recently:**

Sean O'Rourke, Michael Lenehan, Linda Carr, Bridie Keating and Richard Reynolds

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time,**

Anthony Hughes, Phyllis Graig, Anthony Walsh, Remie Reynolds and Germaine Ridoynauth  
May they all rest in peace.

**Your financial contribution last Sunday**

Gift Aid £ 462.00

Loose Plate £ 1,212.13

Thanks for your continued generosity.

If you pay tax and are willing to **Gift Aid** please contact the parish office.

**Weddings**

The Archdiocese would like to remind all couples getting married that they should allow at least **six months** for all the paper work.

**Confirmation Programme** continues this week on

Thursday at 6.30pm

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at the 12noon Mass on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

**Dates for the diary**

4<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Francis of Assissi

13<sup>th</sup> Oct. – Edward the Confessor

16<sup>th</sup> Oct - St Gerard Majella CSsR

The **Hall** is once again back in our ownership - thanks to the courts!

**London SW Catholic Young Adults** social group meets every month. Contact Miles 07790441242

**Balham Catenians** is expanding! As a circle our aim is to provide a social network which helps Catholic lay men live out their various vocations as husband, father, friend, work colleague, committed Christian and active Catholic!

If you are interested in joining please email our membership secretary

Matthew [matt\\_benedict76@hotmail.com](mailto:matt_benedict76@hotmail.com)

**22<sup>nd</sup> October 2016. The Beginning of Life**

**Conference** - A free half day conference for juniors and students of the healthcare professions (doctors, nurses, midwives, medical students, nursing students etc). Starts at 1.30pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2016 at Newman House, Gower Street, London. An opportunity to make new friends and hear what the Catholic Church teaches.

Visit [www.CatholicMedicalAssociation.org.uk](http://www.CatholicMedicalAssociation.org.uk) for details.

Please email

[events@catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk](mailto:events@catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk) by 17<sup>th</sup> October as places are limited.

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**Parish Surgery -**

**Parish Surgery** Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2016.

**Next Parish Surgery** Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016

Come along and see one of the priests - **no appointment necessary.**

**First Friday Lunch** for the senior members of the parish will be on Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> Oct.

**Advance Notice for all our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers**

there will be a **Day of Recollection** in Bishop Thomas Grant School SW16 2HY, led by Fr Ignatius Edet, on **Sat Nov 12<sup>th</sup>** If you would like to reserve a place please sign the form in the sacristy

**Friends of the Holy Land Gathering.**

Please join us on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October** 10am - 4pm at **Our Lady of Victories Church**, 235a Kensington High Street, London W8 to find how this ecumenical and non-political charity helps to maintain a Christian presence in the Holy Land. Each year FHL supports over 2,000 of the most needy Christians in poor conditions, with limited access to water, education and employment. All are welcome to this free event, and lunch will be provided. For more information please see [www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk). To book a place please call the FHL Office on 01926 512980 or email [office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](mailto:office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk)

**Ace of Clubs**

Next time you go shopping you might like to pick something up for the **Ace of Clubs**! On their Harvest Food list 2016, they are looking for washing up wiquid, toilet rolls, plastic cutlery, forks in particular and shampoo to name but a few things.

The **Diocesan Catechetical Certificate (DCC)** a new and exciting initiative is being launched by the the Archdiocese and the School of the Annunciation. Visit their website to find out more **[www.schooloftheannunciation.com](http://www.schooloftheannunciation.com)**

**RYM Young Adult Group** invite you to a very special evening on Thurs., 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 7pm at St Mary's Church, Clapham! In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis invites us all to make a pilgrimage, to mark "an extraordinary moment of grace and spiritual renewal". This is especially powerful because of the current migration crisis. More people than ever are now on forced journeys far from home. This pilgrimage is a way for us to show solidarity with all those fleeing war, poverty and persecution. Along the way, we reflect, "Who is my neighbour?" Meet in the church for our Pilgrimage and then drinks after the meeting at the Belle Vue Pub in Clapham.

Contact [paul.murphy@redemptorists.co.uk](mailto:paul.murphy@redemptorists.co.uk) for more information

**Loving Life, Offering Hope**

A representative will give a short talk to explain their wonderful work.