



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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C)



This Sunday marks the final Sunday in the Church's Liturgical calendar - we celebrate Jesus as the King of the Universe. This being the last Sunday of the Church's year explains why the Holy Year of Mercy is also being concluded today in Rome, where Pope Francis will close the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica - and it will be bricked up until the next Holy Year - whenever that may be. As this is happening in Rome, I will be there to witness all these things and assure you that I will hold each one of you in my heart, praying that you will all receive whatever graces and blessings you need and want.

This Saturday was also a very special day for the Redemptorist family around the world, as Joseph W Tobin CSsR was made a Cardinal by Pope Francis. He is our former Superior General and is now an Archbishop and Cardinal in New Jersey, USA. We are all very proud of his appointment to this responsible role. Please keep him and his mission in your prayer.

Also this Sunday we have the privilege of having the Little Sisters of the Poor with us. They live, pray and work down the road at the Oval in St Peter's Residence for the Elderly. They will share with us about their live, their work and their vocation to be a Little Sister.

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, Ligia Cardosa, Wayne Campbell, Eleanor Mulcahy, Maureen Ellwood, Catherine Evans, Rose Eaton, Theresa Hunt and Michael

Those who have died recently:

Teresa Cioffi, Pat O'Brian, Patricia Lahiff, Nell Grace, Brendan Keenan and Frederick Theodore

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time,

Jim Redmond, Kait Donoghue, Esther Rodriguez Mosquera, Micky Lydon and Nicholas Cutajar
May they all rest in peace.

Your financial contribution last Sunday

Gift Aid £ 415.41

Loose Plate £ 1,419.35

Thanks for your continued generosity.

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

There will be a special collection this Sunday for the Catholic Youth Service

Dates for the diary

21st Nov – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

22nd November – St Cecilia

27th November – 1st Sunday in Advent

30th November – St Andrew's Day

Our New Hall

We are hoping that the Council will be making a decision about our plans for the new hall at the end of this month. Some people have had problems trying to use the link given in previous bulletin but if you log on to the Lambeth Council website and go to

Planning Applications you can still support our application. The Planning No. for the project is 16/02853/FUL. Below are some of the reasons you could give for your support:

Support for the provision of a better quality community centre that better meets the needs of community groups.

Support for the new proposed gym that will be of real use and benefit to the community.

Support for new housing which is desperately needed

Support for an improved design quality for the street, with a more active frontage reducing the current level of anti-social behaviour and rubbish left on the street.

Little Sisters of the Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor are coming to speak at all Masses this weekend

Parish Surgery – 4-6 pm Mon. 21st Nov.

Next Parish Surgery Mon. 28th Nov. 4-6 pm

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

Christmas Lunch in the monastery on Sunday, 18th December at 2.00 pm. **The tickets, priced £22 for adults and £10 for children, are available after Mass or from the office during the week.**

See notice boards for menu. There is a vegetarian option available – please inform the office if this is your choice.

Advent

Advent begins next Sunday, 27th November when we look forward to celebrating the coming of Our Lord as a human baby.

Advent Extra books are available, price £2, to help you and your children on your journey to Christmas

Celebrating St Nicholas!

Bring your children to meet Santa Claus (price £2.50 including a gift) after 10am Mass on Sunday, 4th December.

Month of The Holy Souls

Masses will be offered throughout November for all our beloved ones who have gone before us to our Heavenly Father. We pray for their souls and that they might have eternal peace. There are **envelopes** for you to put the names of your deceased into. Leave the envelope in the basket beside the pulpit, or hand into the office, and we'll then place it on the High Altar where a candle will burn throughout November. Let us reverently pray for the dead.

Wondering what to give those lucky people who "have everything" for Christmas? Why not give them a tree or some chickens or even some worms? Pick up a World Gift catalogue from the back of the church & surprise them.

STILL URGENT!

Sadly the Diocese has "misaid" some gift aid forms and as there is a new system in place we are unable to claim the gift aid until new forms have been completed. If you donate by bank order and you have gift aided your donations PLEASE check the envelopes at the back of the church to see if you need to fill in a new form and please make sure you tick the box gift aiding donations in the past 4 years and in the future. Thank you.