

St Mary's Catholic Church Clapham

Clapham Park Road, Clapham London SW4 7AP

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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

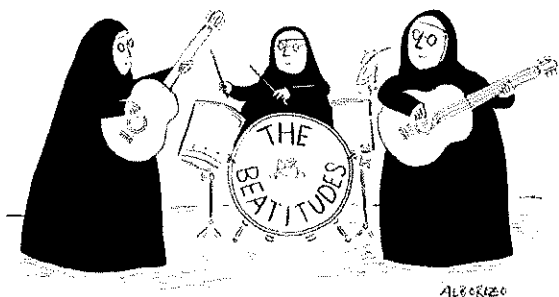
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

This weekend is the last one when we will still have our crib displayed. The one under our altar and the one outside will be put away for another year as the Christmas Season is well and truly over on the 2nd of February as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Christmas day we celebrate the birth of the Lord and the Presentation is the 40th and final day of the Season. Some people *politely* asked if I had forgotten to put the crib away! In truth the crib has continued to be a witness to the birth of Christ as all the buses and people pass our Church and monastery. Shoppers celebrate Christmas from October until Christmas day! We however celebrate CHRISTmas from the Solemnity of the Nativity until the Feast of the Presentation.

With so many people, from every corner of the earth, with so many traditions, customs and questions all within our amazing parish, it was felt the need to produce the sheet attached to the bulletin last week. Simple as that!

Fr Charles Randall CSsR will be taking up his new appointment as the Assistant Priest in our Parish of Bishop Eton Liverpool. We wish him well on his new ministry and promise him a place in our prayers.

Have a blessed week! 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, Theresa Hunt, Stephanie Cryan, Kevin Kelly, Marion Meacock, Barbara Bohanna, Mary Donellan, Rosa Maria Santos, Constance O'Brien, Patrick Kavanagh, Molly Carol, Ligia Cardosa, Wayne Campbell, Eleanor Mulcahy, Maureen Ellwood, Catherine Evans, Rose Eaton, Yukiko Ferreira, Teresa Carroll, Teresa & Michael O'Sullivan, Michael, Nora Callaghan, Tom O'Reilly and Antoinette Bell

Those who have died recently:

Dominic Kiley, Tillie Monaghan, Nancy Reidy and Pat Lines

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Sean Redmond, Maureen Coyne, Michael Galvin, Joseph (Stan) O'Shea, James Short, Margaret Kavanagh, Tom & Dano Kavanagh, Julie Ann Hockham, Joe McDonagh, Myra & Tom Mulhall, Teresa McMahon, Magdalena Gardner Brown and Una Molnar

May they all rest in peace.

Your financial contribution last Sunday

Gift Aid £ 447.83

Loose Plate £ 1,190.61

Dates for the diary

31st January – St John Bosco

2nd February – The Presentation of The Lord

12th February – Racial Justice Day

14th – St Valentine

Notre Dame Catholic Primary School

Notre Dame Catholic Primary School are looking for a Headteacher. Please see the notice board for details.

A Beautiful Friendship

Churches Together in Clapham (CTiC) would love to welcome YOU to their ecumenical Lent Course. This 5 week course will explore themes found in the film Casablanca, which will be screened (with popcorn) at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Narbonne Avenue at 6 pm on Sunday, 26th February, 2017. Pick up a flyer at the back of the church for more details.

RCIA Candidates

It is important that you attend the sessions on Tuesdays at 7.00 pm on a regular basis so if you are unable to attend please let us know.

Parish Surgery -

Parish Surgery Mon 30th Jan 2017.

Next Parish Surgery Mon 6th Feb 2017

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

First Friday Lunch

First Friday lunch for senior citizens resumes this coming Friday, 3rd February at 1.00 pm.

Baptisms

Please note – baptisms will only be done on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month.

Church Etiquette

Fast before Mass – it is Church law that one fasts for at least 1 hour before receiving Holy Communion. Water & medicine can be consumed. The purpose is to help us prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist

Pancake Sunday

An early warning! Pancake Sunday is on 26th February. Pancakes will be served after 10.00 Mass as well as the usual tea and coffee.

London Evenings of Faith –

All are welcome to a series of talks on "Reasons for Believing" which will take place at 7.30 pm on Tuesdays, 7th February, 21st February, 7th March & 21st March in the basement of Golden Square, W1F 9JR. Full information is available at

www.fair.org.uk/events/evenings-of-faith

Ace of Clubs

The Ace of Clubs have 2 vacancies – one in the shop and one at the day centre. Please see the notice boards for details

Zimbabwe – Visitation

Giving you advance notice, Fr Richard will be going to Zimbabwe the second half of February to visit the Redemptorists. If anyone would like to give anything for Mission out there, Fr Richard can guarantee that it will go directly there. (If anyone has any spare US Dollars that are no longer wanted or needed(!) they would be gratefully received)