

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 7am and 12.30pm Saturday Masses: 9.30am and 12.30pm

Weekday Masses: 7am and 12.30pm Saturday Masses: 9.30am and 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

5th Sunday of Lent (A)



"Jesus wept" is the shortest sentence in the Bible! Perhaps it is one of the most powerful sentences also. Let us never forget that Jesus, who is our Lord and Redeemer, is also a man who knew our pain and who cried when his friend Lazarus died. Let us pray for all who are in the pain of bereavement at this time. However let us also keep our eyes focused on Easter and the Resurrection.

It is now the 5th week that we have been in the Lenten Season and fairly shortly our penitential exercises will no longer be demanded of us. Let us use this week, the last one before Holy Week, to really make this Lent count. I hope and pray that this Lent will produce more saints among us!

Have a peace filled 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

Please pray for all those who are sick:
Sr Chris Fealey, Theresa Hunt, Stephanie Cryan,
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, Michael, Nora Callaghan, Tom O'Reilly,
Antoinette Bell, Augustina Enuoka, Norma Smith,
Anna Burke, Michelle McGoldrick, Annabelle and
George Gospace and Mary Vyle

Those who have died recently: Ian Weston and Sr Mary Bernadette OSsR

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Sharon Ingram, Maura O'Connor, Angela Imobeke, Mick Doherty, Sue Lloyd, Larry Comerford, Patrick Brennan and Hazel Lockwood

Your financial contribution last Sunday
Gift Aid £346.40
Loose Plate £1,051.81

Stations of the Cross – then and now by Fr Denis McBride CSsR for sale at £12.95. A Jesuit recently reviewed this book and he said "This is a book to ponder and pray, not to read. Whilst it is especially relevant for Lent and Holy Week, it is a book full of insights and blessings to keep in your daily prayer corner for any day or night of the year."

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Barratt who were married here this weekend! Rebecca Ryan and Andrew Barratt were the bride and groom and Rebecca was the third generation of her family to walk up the aisle of St Mary's! We wish them much happiness as they now begin their married life.

Parish Surgery Mon. 3rd April 4.00 - 6.00 pm. Come along and see one of the priests – no appointment necessary. No Parish Surgery during Holy Week or Easter Week

First Friday Lunch

There will be no Senior Citizens' Lunch on Fri, 7th April. The next one will be on Fri, 5th May.

Mass Etiquette - Children - All children are always welcome in church but please prevent your young children running around during Mass especially near the candle racks. It would be dreadful if there were to be an accident and someone got burned. It is natural for them to be curious and to want to look around but please try to make sure they walk rather than run. Also, if they are making a lot of noise please take them outside for a few minutes to calm them down. Perhaps it would be a good idea to provide them with a book to look at or paper and crayons to keep them occupied during the service.

Please pray for our sister, Sr Mary Bernadette OSsR, Redemptoristine Nun who earlier this week went home to the Father's house. May she rest in peace! Our Redemptoristine nuns first came to England in the late 1800s and established a convent here in Clapham. After many years here they then moved to Devon to enjoy a more peaceful existence. They are an Order of enclosed nuns whose mission is to pray for the church and to pray for Redemptorists in particular and their mission. So know that all of us here in the parish earn a special place in our nuns' prayers. Check out our sisters' monastery in Dublin rednuns.com

Your Guide to Lent - here in the Parish, in our Cathedral and in the other Christian Churches in Clapham

Wednesdays of Lent 5th April – Evening Wass for Lent 7pm

Fridays of Lent 7th April – Stations of the Cross 7pm

5th Sun of Lent 2nd April CTiC Lenten Service Week 5 – St Paul's 6.30pm (Rectory Grove) – Talk Fr Richard CSsR

Palm Sunday 9th April CTiC Palm Sunday Service — Methodist Church (Clapham High Street)

Holy Week... 12th April... Wednesday – 11am Chrism Mass – Southwark St George's Catholic Cathedral

13th April Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper 8pm

14th April **Good Friday** – 10am Morning Prayer,

15th Apr Holy Saturday – 10am Morning Prayer

14th April 12 noon Children's Way of the Cross,

15th Apr Easter Vigil - 8pm

14th April 3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion,

16th Apr Easter Sunday - 8am, 10am, 12noon

14th April 7pm Way of the Cross

+++TRY AND PARTICIPATE IN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE+++