



# 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

## Twenty Third Sunday Ordinary Time (A)

+ I went into our primary school on Wednesday, the first day back for the pupils and saw all our youngsters look alert and anxious to get on with business. Let us pray for our youngest parishioners and all who work in our schools. There was also the opportunity to visit the reception classes and I was delighted to recognise many faces. One of the children shouted in an excited fashion, "Miss, Miss" as she was pointing at me, "he comes to my church!" Clearly we are doing something right when the young ones have such an ownership of their/our church.

+ Today there will be a collection for the **Catholic Education Service** may I take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your generosity.

+ Would you please note that Thursday is the **Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross**. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but a splendid feast nonetheless.

+ Next Sunday there is a special collection for **Home Mission Sunday**. This collection provides the Bishops with resources to support Home Mission, the spread of the Gospel in our own country.

+ On Friday there, I was celebrating Mass in the Scottish Grotto of Carfin, where a group of us, Priests and Sisters, were doing a Religious Vocation push, basically alerting people to the fact that we still exist and have a wonderful life! Please pray continue to pray for Vocations.

Have a wonderful week whatever you find yourselves doing!

Peace, Fr Richard Reid CSsR  
Rector & Parish Priest

**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** **NB. Jackie is on holiday at the moment!**

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

Patrick Jarrett, Elaine Jarrett, Theresa Hunt,  
Sr Chris Fealey FMDM, Mary Donellan DHS,  
John Jackson, Breeda Bell, Christopher Kanu,  
Nora McGowan, Fr George, Betty Walsh,  
Eamonn Keavney & Br Thomas

**Those who have died recently:**

Catherine Brady, Rose Gannon & Sean Riordan.  
We pray also for Cardinal Murphy O'Connor.

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

Aderoju Abeni Ilori

**Your financial contribution** last Sunday

Gift Aid: 342.35 Loose Plate: £1,316.24

Thanks for your generosity

**Some Dates for your Diary:**

11<sup>th</sup> – Bl M Celeste Crostarosa OSsR

26<sup>th</sup> September - Bl Caspar Stangassinger CSsR

**Parish Surgery** - will be Mon, 11<sup>th</sup> Sept – 4-6 pm.

The next Parish Surgery will be Mon, 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Come along and see one of the Priests

– no appointment necessary.

**Calling all experienced gardeners .....**

Without Br Thomas's care our front garden is looking decidedly the worse for wear. Are there any experienced gardeners in the Parish who could spare an hour or two to help to get it back into shape? If you have a little time and enjoy gardening please call on 020 7501 3983 – leave a message if there is no answer and we will get back to you.

**Schools...**

**Bishop Thomas Grant Schools**

Transferring from Primary to Secondary Education

Open Morning 9.30am – 11.30am

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> September

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> September

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> September

Open Evening 6.30pm – 9pm

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> September

**The Laurels School**

Open Events – Autumn

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> September 10am – 12pm

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> September 10am – 12pm

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> September 6pm – 8pm

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> October 10am – 12pm

**Recollection for Readers and Extraordinary  
Ministers of Communion.**

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> November at Bishop Thomas Grant  
School, given by Fr Denis McBride CSsR.

Please collect a registration form from the  
sacristy.

**Music in the area...**

In St. Paul's Church, Rectory Grove SW4 0DR

Mike Christie – Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Oct - £15

Mary-Jess – Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Nov - £15

Lesley Garrett CBE – Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec £25

In the Royal Festival Hall – Southbank Centre

Russian Soul – Rachmaninov, Borodin,

Mussorgsky, Tchaikovsky etc!

Helping the Homeless

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 7.30

See posters in the porches.

**Catholic Cert of Religious Studies**

Make yourself indispensable with CCRS...

[www.brs-ccrs.org.uk](http://www.brs-ccrs.org.uk)

0207 901 1900

**Workshop for Musicians**

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Oct led by John Bell

in Amigo Hall SE1 6HR

Contact [nichola.pointer@btinternet.com](mailto:nichola.pointer@btinternet.com)

**Rosary Crusade** – Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 1.45pm meet  
outside Westminster Cathedral.

**Compass** – Have you ever wondered whether  
the life of a nun, monk, sister, priest or brother  
might just be for you?

[www.compass-points.org.uk](http://www.compass-points.org.uk)

**Over 55's Lunch & Bingo**

Every Tuesday from 12 to 3pm

Corpus Christi Church Hall SW2 5BJ

**Adoremus: Eucharistic Congress**

will be held by the Bishops of England and  
Wales next year between **7 to 9 Sept 2018**. It  
will take place in the Echo Arena, Liverpool,  
and is designed as an ecclesial gathering of  
both laity and clergy. Every diocese in  
England and Wales has been invited to engage  
in the planning, celebration and legacy for all  
parishes. Some 10,000 people are expected  
and representatives from every Diocese will  
be invited to attend.

Please pray for the success of this event.