

# St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent** [Year C]

Remembering especially the needs of the Parish

**WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS**

Please join in with the words below in bold.  
You can also follow the prayers of the Mass  
in the guide at each seat.

Hymn no. 316 **Hark! A herald voice is calling**

Entrance Antiphon: **People of Zion, the Lord will come to save all nations, and your hearts will exult to hear his majestic voice.**

*There is no Gloria now until Christmas to denote the change of season and to mark our preparation in Advent.*

A reading from the prophet Baruch [5:1-9]  
*God means to show your splendour to every nation.*

Responsorial Psalm

**What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians [1:3-6] *Be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight,  
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

At the preparation of the altar and the gifts:  
Hymn no. 346 **How lovely on the mountains...**

Communion antiphon:

**Father, you give us food from heaven.  
By our sharing in this mystery, teach us to judge  
wisely the things of earth and to love the things of  
heaven.**

The second collection today is for Christmas flowers

Hymn during collection no. 117 **All heaven declares**

Closing hymn no. 413 **Lay your hands gently upon us**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Jaime Conceicao RIP Jack Clancy RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	For the people of the parish Kitty McCadden RIP
Monday	9.15am	Holy Souls
Tuesday	9.15am	Tess McKenna-Whyte RIP
Wednesday	9.15am	Esmail Setra RIP Kay Hudspeth RIP
Thursday	9.15am	<b>The church is closed today</b>
Friday	9.15am	Intention of donor
<b>Next weekend</b>		<b>Next Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>
Saturday	6.00pm	Ronald Knott & Kate Leonard RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Richard Colaco RIP John Ryan RIP & Fr C. Ryan

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**Weekend Mass:**

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 10.30am & 12.15pm

**Weekday Mass:**

Morning Prayer at 9.00am with Mass at 9.15 am,  
but please check the Mass Intention List for details.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Mondays after Mass from 9.45am ending with  
Rosary, Benediction and St Jude Novena at noon.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturday 5.30 – 5.55 pm and by arrangement.

**Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement**

Please phone Fr Adrian to make an appointment.

## Collections

Thank you, for our collections last week, we raised.

**£479.92** For the running of the Parish

**£277.61** For St George's Cathedral Maintenance

*These sums include £270.50 given in Gift Aid envelopes. Our thanks also go to those who donate by Banker's Order direct into the parish account.*

## Faith in the community

The standing joke about priests is that they work only one day a week; however a sixteen-hour-day at least six (and often even seven) days a week is the standard routine here! Our Parish is 'alive and active' around the clock, with everyone having the responsibility of living out our Christian life day-to-day, whether at home, at school, or in the workplace. Each of us is called to shine out with God's light to those around us, fortified by receiving God's blessing or Communion to give us the strength for the week ahead, so that we can 'shine out like stars' to those around us (Philippians 2:15).

Over the course of last week we unveiled more of the daily symbols for our **Jesse Tree**: a **field of stars**, representing us as God's children in fulfilment of his promise to Abraham; a **ram**, representing the sacrifice Abraham made in response to God's test and a link to the ultimate sacrifice of God's own Son; **Jacob's ladder** stands as a reminder that Heaven and Earth are united in God's care; Joseph's sacks of **grain** represent God's provision, even in difficult times; and the **burning bush** represents the presence of the Lord and our personal response to God's call. This weekend we place the symbols of the **Passover Lamb**, pointing us again to God's care and the sacrifice that Jesus made for us, and the **Ten Commandments**, reminding us of ways that bring out the best in us and how we should try to live our lives, in relation to God and those around us. Ultimately, God's greatest Commandment of Love should be written on our hearts, which, says Jesus, is how we should be known. God bless, Fr Adrian.

## PARISH MINISTRIES:

<b>LITTLE CHURCH</b>	06 Dec	<b>Children's Mass</b>
13 Dec	Prior family	20 Dec Abebrese family
27 Dec	Andrée family	03 Jan <b>Children's Mass</b>
10 Jan	Bernard family	17 Jan Dias-Hudspeth family
24 Jan	Grant family	31 Jan Karim family
07 Feb	<b>Children's Mass</b>	14 Feb McCorry family

[Hall key-holders: Hudspeth & Karim Family]

### EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

6 Dec	K. Maher	TBC	J. La'val
13 Dec	M. Esmonde	D. Karim	E. Maria
20 Dec	M. Gonzy	E. Karim	R. Maria

*Please note: If you are unable to make a particular Sunday please exchange with another Extraordinary Minister.*

**COORDINATORS – READERS:** D Abebrese **MUSIC:** L. Clarke

### FLOWERS

12 Dec [Gaudete] J.Sharland, S. Hayes, N. Sesay, C. Lysaght  
13 Dec Would all volunteers please meet with Fr Adrian in the Hall after the 10.30 Mass to plan the Christmas flowers.

### REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

6 Dec	F Campbell & O Adelekan
13 Dec	Karim Family
20 Dec	Eastman Family
27 Dec	S Herbert & L Clarke
3 Jan	D Feasey & D Van Spall
10 Jan	T & A Court, M & A Knoop & S. Hayes

*Please note: If you are unable to make a particular Sunday please exchange with another group so that we can continue to offer refreshments after the Family Mass. Thank you.*

### CHURCH CLEANING

**Will everyone who's able to help clean please stay behind after the Tuesday morning Mass. Thank you.**

### COLLECTION COUNTERS

1 <sup>st</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> week:	P Sirr, M Gonzy
2 <sup>nd</sup> week:	K Gernon, L. Ungaretti
3 <sup>rd</sup> week:	R Ebite, B Kealy
4 <sup>th</sup> week:	A Abel, J Sullivan

**CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS:** Childline advice 0800 1111

Local Advisor: Teresa Dempsey 020 8670 7565  
Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7960 2504

**SACRISTANS** R Green, P. Hutchinson, J Mifsud,  
M. Abreu, K Gernon & L Ungaretti

**OTHER FAITHS** P Sirr **GIFT AID** J Fraser, R Ebite, M Gonzy

**WEBSITE** A Agbueze, B Chivers, T Duffy,  
M Knoop, J Kyaluzi, S McCorry

### READERS –

**13Dec** Zephaniah -3.14-18 Psalm 12  
Advent 3 Philipppians 4:4-7 Luke 3: 10-18  
**Paula Wynne: Bieneosa Ebite: Alan Quinn**

**20 Dec** Micah 5: 1-46: Psalm 79  
Advent 4 Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-44

**Campbell Family: Feasey Family: Richard Hilliard**

### SEE SEPARATE SHEET FOR CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**27 Dec** Samuel 1:20-22.24-28 Psalm 83  
Holy Family 1John 3:1-2.21-24 Luke 2:41-52

**John Burbage: Dias-Hudspeth Family: Alan Quinn**

**3 Jan** Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 71  
Epiphany Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6 Matthew 2: 1-12

**John Fraser: Abebrese Family: Lydia Ungarett**

**10 Jan** Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11 Psalm 103  
Baptism of Titus 2:11-14.3:4-7 Luke 3: 15-16.21-22

Our Lord **Paul Hutchinson: Bernard family: Chris Watts**

**17 Jan** Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 95  
Sun 2 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11

**Paula Wynne: Van Spall family: Richard Hilliard**

## News this week

**CALLING ALL SINGERS** – please note we rehearse the music for each Family Mass at 10am. If you'd like to come along and sing please join us, as it would be great to have a choir ready for Christmas.

**DATE FOR THE DIARY:** we're having our **ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE** in the church on Saturday 12 December from 12-1pm, followed by our **CHRISTMAS PARTY** with a **Family Prize Quiz** in the Hall from 1-3pm. Please bring some buffet food to share. All are welcome, so do please come along.

**A PRACTICAL WAY OF CARING AT CHRISTMAS** is to help a person in need by providing them with a token of care: a gift, given at Christmas to remind us of the presence of Christ and his call to love one another and care for those in need. This year our parish has teamed up with a charity in London that provides day care for the elderly. Please consider spending around £5 on a present that you think an elderly gentleman or lady might need, such as a brush and comb set, toiletries, handkerchiefs, socks, etc. Please wrap your present and clearly label it 'for a gentleman', 'for a lady', with perhaps even a personal message. A box will be available near the Sacred Heart for you to put your presents in but please do so by Sunday 13 December. Thank you.

**HOSPITALITY IS A WELCOME GIFT** Our parish should be a place of welcome for all and a place where people can feel at home. It's a joy to celebrate our diversity as we gather together at the weekend, each with our own gifts and strengths, but for people who are new or are unfamiliar with the parish, the characteristics of our church can be quite different: where are the hymn books? Why is there no organist? What happens at Little Church? Where's the Crying Chapel? We can make our church feel even more welcoming by greeting people at the door and helping them with practical matters, such as showing people to a seat when the church seems crowded, letting them know where the loo is, for example. Such a team of Welcomers would be a great addition to each Mass so I'm asking this weekend for people to volunteer to help with this important ministry of hospitality and welcome: please see me after Mass if you can help in any way. Thank you.

### PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Please remember that there is a file in the porch where you can request prayers for those in need: the sick and housebound are very much at the heart of the church and support us in their prayers as we do them.

### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH COLLECTION

**Please give what you can to the parish collections each week, as more money is spent in the upkeep of the church than we receive.** If you can, please give upwards of one hour of your weekly income and please consider if you're able to help join one of the parish groups, e.g. counters, cleaners, refreshment team, etc. If you are a UK tax payer please also consider setting up a Gift Aid payment direct to the church bank account. Thank you for your generosity. **A proportion of our first collection goes directly to support the work of our Diocese, with all monies raised in our second collection going to the particular cause each week. Thank you.**