

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 2nd October, 2011

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]

Remembering especially Anna & Charles as they celebrate their marriage in the church this weekend and all couples in preparation for their marriage.

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

Please join in with the words below in bold and follow the prayers of the Mass in the laminated guide.

Hymn 174 **Blest are the pure in heart**

Entrance Antiphon **O Lord, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise. For it is your creation, the heavens and the earth and the stars: you are the Lord of all.**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah [5:1-7]
The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Lords.

Responsorial Psalm 79 – said or Hymn 996
The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to Philippians [4:6-9]
The God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! [2x at 10.30 Mass]
I chose you from the world to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last, says the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew [21:33-43]
He will lease the vineyard to other tenants.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:
Hymn 376 **I, the Lord of sea and sky**

Communion antiphon: **The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to those who are searching for his love.**

After Communion the Second Collection is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme, during the collection:

Hymn 532 **O Mother blest**

Closing hymn: **We are growing in the light of God** [x4]
We are growing, we are growing, Oh!
We are growing in the light of God [x2]

Mass details	Intentions
Saturday 6.00pm	Holy Souls
Sunday 10.30am	The Holy Guardian Angels
12.15pm	For the people of the Parish
Monday 9.00am	Richard Colaco RIP
Tuesday 9.00am	Edith Cumbo RIP
Wednesday 9.00am	Fr. Adrian's family
Thursday None	The church is closed today
Friday 9.00am	Holy Souls
<i>Next weekend</i>	<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday 6.00pm	Carmen & George Glew RIP
Sunday 10.30am	Frank Simmonds [FM]
12.15pm	For the people of the Parish

Please join us for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Monday with Rosary, Benediction and our St. Jude Novena from noon followed by our shared lunch for CAFOD and Mary's Meals.

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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 **£483.10** for the running of the parish and **£313.95** for the Parish Refurbishment Programme. *These sums include monies given in Gift Aid envelopes. Our thanks also go to those who donate by Banker's Order direct into the parish account.*

Each year at this time we 'take stock' of the number of parishioners who attend our Sunday Masses. Sadly, it is believed that only about 10% of Catholic Christians actually attend Mass, with the majority of Catholics either having lapsed from their faith or putting other priorities before the Lord and just coming for family events like weddings and funerals or perhaps just at Easter or Christmas. Our 'Sunday obligation' – being present for the whole of Mass – is an obligation in the most positive sense: to be present with one another in the presence of the Lord is a wonderful gift.

If you were to ignore and not talk to members of your own family they'd soon notice a change in your relationship – it's the same with the Lord, only your family might not be so forgiving! If you've slipped into the habit of just coming to Mass when it's convenient or thinking that 'once a month is fine enough' then please think again. Coming together each Sunday strengthens us through God's Word, through our Holy Communion with the Lord, our communion with one another and through God's blessing – not just for that day but for the week ahead, with all its joys and difficulties. Today's readings remind us of all the loving care that God lavishes on us, like a gardener cherishing and tending his vines so that they become fruitful. **Each of us is called to let God's gifts bear fruit in our lives** and if the 'vineyard' of our lives has grown over with things that have choked our spiritual life by allowing them to get in the way, such as changing the habit of Mass each Sunday, then it's high time we pruned away the things that hinder our prayer and coming to Mass and allow the light of the Sun to shine through more clearly. I pray each day that the Lord will guide each one of us into a deeper relationship with him. May He continue to bless you and all your family, *Fr. Adrian*

PARISH MINISTRIES:

LITTLE CHURCH

Children's Liturgy takes a summer break in August and during the introduction of the Revised Liturgy. Will all Little Church leaders please email Fr. Adrian to ensure he has your address.

[Hall key-holders: Dias-Hudspeth, Karim & Murphy Families]

	<u>HOLY COMMUNION 6pm</u>	<u>10.30am</u>	<u>12.15am</u>
09 Oct	M. Gonzy C. Menezes	D. Abebrese B. Beech T. Donoghue	E. Maria R. Maria
16 Oct	M. Esmonde P. Hutchinson	N. Kalimira E. Karim D. Karim	T. Ofogu R. Green
23 Oct	M. Gonzy C. Menezes	B. MonK S. Smith D. Abebrese	J. La'val E. Maria

CO-ORDINATORS – READERS: D Abebrese **MUSIC:** L. Clarke

FLOWERS:

08 Oct R. Ebite, E. Karim, J. McDonagh & M. Ellis
15 Oct T. Dempsey, O. Adelekan, T. Donoghue
22 Oct S. Hayes, C. Baker & M-M.Ovonlen
29 Oct J. Sharland, N. Sesay, N. Tripp

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

09 Oct Herbert, Clark & Donnelly families
16 Oct Knoop & Hayes families
23 Oct Campbell, Adelekan & Adeniji families
30 Oct Karim family
06 Nov Grant & Abebrese families
13 Nov Murphy family

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

09 Oct R. Ebite, B. Kealy
16 Oct A. Abel, J. Sullivan
23 Oct P. Hutchinson, M. Gonzy
30 Oct K. Gernon, L. Ungaretti

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline advice 0800 1111

Local Advisor: Teresa Dempsey 020 8670 7565

Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7960 2504

SACRISTANS M. Abreu, R. Green, P. Hutchinson,
K Gernon & L Ungaretti **GIFT AID** J Fraser, R Ebite

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

READERS

09 Oct Isaiah 25:6-10 Psalm 22
Sun 28 Philipppians 4:12-20 Matthew 22:1-14
Paul Hutchinson : Louise Watson : Alan Quinn

16 Oct Isaiah 45:1.4-6 Psalm 95
Sun 29 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-21
Dominic Van Spall: Malusa Kilonda : Tori Hunt

23Oct Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 17
Sun 30 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40
Paula Wynne : Volunteer needed : Ron Leyman

30 Oct Malachi 1:14ff Psalm 130
Sun 31 1 Thessalonians 2:7ff Matthew 23:1-12
Francesca Campbell : Clare Hensman : Lydia Ungaretti

06 Nov Wisdom 6:12-16 Psalm 62ff
Sun 32 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13
John Fraser : Smith family : Alan Quinn

13 Nov Proverbs 31:10ff Psalm 127
Sun 33 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30
Paul Hutchinson: Bieneosa Ebite : Chris Watts

News this week:

A message from Fr. Adrian: Thank you to a number of people who have donated gifts for our November Raffle and Tombola. Unfortunately, some of these were received in an unsalable condition as they had been opened and partly used. I am grateful to all those who have thought to provide gifts but please remember these must be new, unopened and boxed. We are a long way from having enough items to sell on the day and do need your help. We plan to have a home produce (jams etc.) and cake stall, card stall and Christmas card-making activity, baby and toddler clothes and toys and much, much more, depending on the donations we receive. Do please give what you can to help make our day a success. Thank you.

Our First Holy Communion Programme Applications are available now from Fr. Adrian. If your child will be aged 7 or over by May 2012 please see Fr. Adrian after Mass to let him know that you would be interested in applying. Thank you.

The Parish is holding a **Gift Day** to recognise and celebrate our individual gifts and talents on **Saturday 12th November** and our **Christmas Fare on Saturday 26th November: please keep these dates free to join us.** We're going to have a shared lunch together on the 12th so please bring a picnic along. **Among many attractions on 26th we're going to have a raffle and a tombola stall. Please bring along new and boxed donations for these stalls as there is a box on the sanctuary to receive your gifts. Thank you.**

Fr. Adrian plans to lead a Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in November 2012. The trip would only be possible if we had a group of 20 people and the dates have been chosen to allow time for people to save up for such a tremendous opportunity. If you would like more information please pick up a leaflet from the porch. No deposit monies need be given in at the moment but please let Fr. Adrian know if you are keen so that he can arrange a get-together of all those interested to show a film of the pilgrimage sites.

Thank you, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. **Our second collection next week is for the Parish Refurbishment Programme.** Please remember if you contribute via the Gift Aid scheme to use the envelopes provided at the entrance to the church. To help plan your giving please take enough envelopes home for the month so that you can complete the details of the envelope beforehand and bring them with you to church.

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.