

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 11th March, 2012 [Year B]

Third Sunday of Lent

Remembering especially all the needs of the Parish

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 no. 121 **All people that on earth do dwell**

Entrance Antiphon: **My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.**

A reading from the book of Exodus [20:1-17]
The Law was given through Moses.

Responsorial Psalm [18] Sung at the 10.30 Mass: **Hymn 931** or **You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.**

A reading from the first letter of Corinthians [1:22-25]
Here we are preaching a crucified Christ, an obstacle to men, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

Lenten Gospel Acclamation

**Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,
whoever believes in me will never die.**

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour...

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John [4:5-42]
A spring welling up to eternal life.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:
Hymn no. 450 **Lord of all hopefulness**

Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. We are running a trial of taking the 1st and 2nd collections one after the other to give time for sharing God's gifts and space for reflection and prayer after Holy Communion. The 2nd Collection this week is for the **Parish Refurbishment Programme**. Thank you for your support.

Communion antiphon:

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

Closing Hymn: 611 **Send me Lord**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	For the people of the Parish
Sunday	10.30am	Lesley Irwin RIP (anniv)
	12.15pm	Antonio Casciano RIP
Monday	9.00am	Kitty Carr RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Bill Flack RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Maureen Corpe RIP
Thursday	None	The church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	Susan Stoker FM
	<i>Next weekend</i>	<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	For the people of the Parish
Sunday	10.30am	Mary Kelleher RIP
	12.15pm	Valerie Quinn

Please join us for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Monday with Benediction, St. Jude Novena and the Stations of the Cross at noon.

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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 **£514.51** for the running of the parish and **£404.34** for our 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.*

No doubt you may have heard a lot of talk about marriage in the news lately. In response, we receive a letter from Archbishops Vincent Nichols and Peter Smith on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales at our Masses this weekend. It is a statement of our Catholic faith about marriage and issued in the light of the forthcoming consultation by the Government on changing the legal definition of marriage. In the light of this letter, you are asked to consider signing the Coalition for Marriage's online petition which can be found at www.C4M.org.uk
The petition reads:

"I support the legal definition of marriage which is the voluntary union for life of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others. I oppose any attempt to redefine it."

After Easter the Archbishops will produce a more detailed leaflet on the Government's consultation itself, for distribution in parishes, to assist us in making our own particular response to the consultation.

As we continue Lent, fasting and abstinence can be a bit of a chore without the strength we can get from spending a little extra time each day in **prayer**, even if this is just resting in the silence of the Lord and letting the Lord's pace bring a touch of stillness and comfort to the soul. As last year, families and individuals are invited to use the **Family Reconciliation** sheet at home (see overleaf) or to join us each Monday for **Benediction, Novena and the Stations of the Cross**. Not everyone is able to join us then but, if you are free, do please consider joining us in **prayer before the Blessed Sacrament**. If this is not possible, you might like to try the web links below. The first gives the Stations of the Cross for children and the second link is a general version for adults...

<http://www.cptryon.org/prayer/child/stations/index.html>

<http://www.cptryon.org/xpipassio/stations/index.html>

PARISH MINISTRIES:

CHILDREN'S LITURGY [*Helpers are grouped in four teams*]

18 Mar	St Jude	25 Mar	St Mary
01 Apr	Children's Mass	08 Apr	Children's Mass
15 Apr	Children's Mass	22 Apr	St Anne
29 Apr	St Simon	06 May	Children's Mass
13 May	St Jude	20 May	St Mary

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15am

18 Mar	P. Hutchinson	D. Karim E. Karim	T. Ofogu
25 Mar	C. Menezes	S. Smith D. Abebrese	R. Green
01 Apr	E/M. O'Keeffe	T. Donoghue N. Kalimira	E. Maria

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

FLOWERS:

18 Mar	25 Mar	There are no flowers during Lent
31 Mar		Palm Sunday – Desert garden
07 Apr		All volunteers at 9am please for Easter flowers

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

18 Mar	Hayes, Knoop & Okaro families
25 Mar	Campbell, Adelekan & Adeniji families
01 Apr	Karim family
08 Apr	Feasey & Van Spall families [NB Easter Sunday]
15 Apr	Grant & Abebrese families
22 Apr	Murphy & Brown families.
29 Apr	Herbert, Clark & Donnelly families

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

18 Mar	P. Hutchinson, M. Gonzy
25 Mar	K. Gernon, L. Ungaretti
01 Apr	R. Ebite, B. Kealy
15 Apr	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 M. Abreu, R. Green, P. Hutchinson, M. Ryan, K Gernon & L Ungaretti **GIFT AID** J Fraser, R Ebite

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

READERS

18 Mar	2 Chronicles 36:14-23	Psalm 136
Lent 4	Ephesians 2: 4-10	John 3: 14-21
	Dominic Van Spall : Malusa Kilonda : Victoria Hunt	

25 Mar	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Psalm 50
Lent 5	Hebrews 5:7-9	John 12:20-33
	Paula Wynne : Smith Family : Chris Watts	

01 Apr	Isaiah 50:4-7	Psalm 21
Palm Sun	Philippians 2:6-11	Mark 14: 1-15:47
	Francesca Campbell : Louise Walton : Lydia Ungaretti	

08 Apr	Acts 10:34.37-43	Psalm 117
Easter Sun	Colossians 3:1-4	John 20: 1-9
	Volunteers are needed: please see Fr. Adrian	

15 Apr	Acts 4:32-35	Psalm 117
Divine	1 John 5:1-6	John 20:19-31
Mercy	Feasey Family : Abebrese Family: Ron Leyman	

22 Apr	Acts 3:13-15.17-19	Psalm 4
Easter 3	1 John 2: 1-5	Luke 24: 35-48
	John Fraser : Dias-Hudspeth Family : Alan Quinn	

News this week:

Following our schools meeting I have written to the Director of the School's commission concerning the news that more school places may be available to us through the building of a new Catholic Primary school in South Lambeth. I have called again for support in keeping our Parish on Corpus Christi's admission policy and have suggested that any funds available for more school places should be directed at improving the provision in existing schools rather than building a brand new one. When I have a reply I will let you know as the Director is asking us to make our requests to Lambeth Council. Please do not approach the Council as yet as I believe we should mount a concerted campaign once the position of the Diocesan School's Commission is clearer so that our efforts are united. Please continue to pray for the children of our Parish who need places.

Please see the posters around the church for details of our DVD discussion series **during the Mondays of Lent:** join us in the **Parish Hall from 7.30–8.30 pm.** All are welcome and it will be a relaxed way of getting to know more about our Christian faith, so feel free to invite friends along who may wonder what being Catholic means. We look forward to seeing you.

Please take home a **Family Reconciliation** sheet which invites us to celebrate with family or friends (and even by ourselves) a simple service of prayer and reflection during Lent. This activity asks us to focus on our hands in prayer, to draw around the shape of our hand and to write prayers on the cut-out. As last year we will gather up all our different-sized hands on Palm Sunday to use in our Easter services.

The latest edition of our Diocesan Newspaper is available in the porch priced 50p. Please take a copy and share it with your family and friends.

Thank you, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. **Our second collection next week is for our 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. 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

Please give what you can to the parish collections as we receive less money each week than is budgeted for our needs. To help meet our costs please give the equivalent of at least one hour of your weekly income and consider if you are able to help join one of our 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. To give by credit/debit card please go online and visit our JustGiving page <http://www.justgiving.com/StSimon-and-StJude> To give by phone text **JUDE 77 £10** (for example) to the number **70070**. You'll receive a text back with a link to how you can Gift Aid to boost your donation at no extra cost. Thank you for all your support and for considering making a donation this way. God bless.