St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 15th December 2013

3rd Sunday of Advent [Year A] Rose Sunday

Remembering especially "Our families"

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 or hymn book.

Entrance Hymn 10.30 only: How lovely on the mountains (346)

Entrance Antiphon:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah [35:1-6.10] God himself is coming to save you..

Responsorial Psalm [145] Come, Lord, and save us.

A reading from the letter of St. James [5:7-10] Do not lose heart for the Lord's coming will be soon.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew [11:2-11] Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:

Hymn: God's Spirit is in my heart (297)

Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. We take our 1^{st} and 2^{nd} collections one after the other to give time for sharing God's gifts and space for reflection and prayer after Holy Communion. Second collection this week is for our Christmas flowers.

Thank you for your support.

Communion antiphon:

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and so not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Communion Hymn: Do not be afraid (240)

Closing Hymn: O Little town of Bethlehem (526)

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Welfare of Teresa Malluzzo
Sunday	10.30am	Inez Williams RIP
	12.15pm	For the People of the Parish
Monday	9.00am	Sr. Catherine Gomes RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Sr. Isobel Gomes RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Patrick D'Souza
Thursday	none	There is no service today
Friday	9.00am	James Sullivan RIP
Next weekend		Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday	6.00pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	10.30am	Michael Hayes RIP
	12.15pm	Charles & Smarro Griffiths RIP

Please join us after Morning Prayer and Mass on Monday for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary and our St Jude Novena at noon Please note. No Exposition on 23rd & 30th December 2013. Parish Priest: Fr. Habte Ukbay, OFM.Cap The Priest's House 5 Hillside Road

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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 arrangementPlease see Father Habte to make an appointment.

Collections

Thank you: our collections last week raised: £351.79 for the running of the Parish, for the 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.

CHRISTMAS WEEK MASS TIMES

At the back of the church there are sheets giving full details of our services during Christmas time. If you did not take one last week please remember to do so today as some of the service times will be different to normal. The mass will be at the normal time on 23rd, followed by reconciliation/confession; this will be a good time to make your confession before Christmas. Thank you

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

There is a long tradition of using the Christmas Offering to support the work of our priest in our parish. It is a tangible way of saying thank you for his ministry to us. Fr. Habte is very grateful for all the prayers and

support that we offer. This is the time of year that we can show that support as our offering at the Christmas collection is our personal gift to him. As some of you might be away at Christmas we make available the Christmas Offering envelope for you to make your gift before you leave us. Please hand it in via the collecting bags or post it through the letter box of the presbytery. I would like to thank you in Advance for all the support you give. God bless you all!

Please not that any monies given by Direct Debit or Standing Order during Christmas week do not go to Fr Habte but directly to support the parish so please use one of the Christmas Offering envelopes to enable your gift to support Fr. Habte.

Thank you

PARISH MINISTRIES:

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

CHILDREN'S LITURGY CHILDREN'S LITURGY

15 Dec St Anne 22 Dec St Simon

29Dec Children's Mass 05 Jan Children's Mass

12 Jan St Jude 19 Jan St Mary

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm10.30am12.15am15 DecP. HutchinsonS. SmithR. Maria22 DecC. MenezesD. AbebreseT. Ofogu29 DecM. O'KeefeT. DonoghueR. Green

COORDINATORS - READERS: D Abebrese MUSIC: L. Clarke

FLOWERS: N.B. NO FLOWERS DURING ADVENT Mon. 23rd December 10am – All teams (where possible) for Christmas flowers.

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

15 Dec Campbell, Adelekan & Adeniji families

22 Dec Karim family

29 Dec Feasey & Van Spall families

05 Jan Grant & Abebrese families

12 Jan Murphy, Brown & Fourie families

19 Jan Herbert & Clark families

26 Jan Hayes, Knoop & Okaro 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 is everyone's business: please take litter home with you rather than leaving it in the church as we have only a small group of volunteers who help clean after the Tues. morning Mass. If you see litter please clear it - thank you ©

COLLECTION COUNTERS

15 DecSullivan & Sullivan22 DecEbite & Kealy29 DecHutchinson & Jones05 JanKarim & Merceica

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 GIFT AID J Fraser, R Ebite

WEBSITE MATERIAL PP / M. Knoop / T. Duffy / C. Murphy

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER SECRETARY J. Sharland

APF MISSIO RED BOXES Alan Quinn

READERS

15 DecIsaiah 35:1-6,10Psalm 145Advent 3St. James 5:7-10Matthew 11: 2-11Francesca Campbell : Louise Walton: Ron Leyman

22 DecIsaiah 7:10-14Psalm 23Advent 4Romans 1:1-7Matthew 1:18-24Dias-Hudspeth's: Diana Abebrese: Alan Quinn

29 Dec Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6, 12-14 Psalm 127 Holy Family Colossians 3:12-21 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Teresa Dempsey: Neil Buxton: Victoria Leyman

05 Jan Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 71 Epiphany Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12 Paul Hutchinson : Tony Murphy : Chris Watts

12 JanIsaiah 42:1-4,6-7Psalm 28Baptism ofActs 10:34-38Matthew 3:13-17the Lord Van Spall Family : Bieneosa Ebite: Ron Leyman

19 Jan Isaiah 49:3.5:6 Psalm 39
2nd OT Corinthians 1:1-3 John 1:29-34
Paula Wynne : Malusa Kilonda: Alan Quinn

BAPTISM

Congratulations to the parents and godparents of Jaeon Jordan Bonetti-Herbert who was baptised here on Saturday 7th December 2013

FLOWER ARRANGMENT There is a meeting today Sunday 15th December in the parish hall, after the 10.30 mass, so that the flower arrangements for Christmas can be discussed fully as they are to be arranged in the Church on Monday 22nd December.

CLEANING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS.

Can anyone who can help to make our church beautiful for Christmas, come and help with some cleaning on Tuesday 23rd December, anytime between 10am and Noon.

Thank you

Reminder: LONDON PROBATION TRUST

If you have not done so already, please bring your filled box to the church this weekend. Any donations after today should be taken directly to the Brixton Probation Office at

117-131 Stockwell Road SW9 PTN Thank you

The "Walk with me" books for Advent are available in the porch at a cost of £1.00. Please put the money in the box to the right of the door as you leave. Thank you

Job vacancy's at Laleham Lea School and with St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Laleham Lea School, a catholic Independent school in Purley have asked us to advertise the post of Head Teacher.

St. Vincent de Paul society,

A National Young Vincentian Coordinator,

Membership Development Officer and

Youth Administration Assistant

Please see the posters on the notice board giving the full details. Thank you.

This weekend, as usual we will have the Christmas posters produced by the Knights of St Columba for parishioners to put in our windows.

Donations will be used, to offset their cost and, to support the various knights charities.

THANK YOU, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. Our second collection next week is for our parish refurbishment programme please be generous. Please also 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. If writing a cheque, please make out a separate cheque for each collection, payable to 'St Simon & St Jude RC Church'. Thank you.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH THROUGH STEWARDSHIP Please give what you can to our collections after prayerful reflection on how you can use your Time, Talents and Treasures to help build the work of the Church. 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 consider setting up a Gift Aid payment direct to the church bank account. You can give by credit/debit card online through www.justgiving.com/StSimon-and-StJude

To give by phone text **JUDE 77 £10** (for example) to the number **70070**. Thank you for all your support and for considering making a donation this way. God bless.

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