

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 25th May 2014

6th Sunday of Easter [Year A]

Remembering especially "Our families"

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

Please follow the prayers of the Mass in the laminated guide or hymn book.

Entrance Hymn: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (110)

Entrance Antiphon:

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles [8:5-8, 14-17]
They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm [65]

Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

A reading from the first letter of St. Peter [3:15-18]
In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Jesus said: "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him."
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John [14:15-21]
I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:

Hymn: Blest are you Lord, God of all creation (175)

Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. We take our 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. **Second collection this week is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme.** Thank you for your support.

Communion antiphon:

**If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another
Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**

Communion Hymn: Be still and know that I am with you (163)

Closing Hymn: Do not be afraid (240)

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Kitty O'Shea RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	For the People of the Parish Salvatorie RIP
Monday	10.00am	George Dhunookchund RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	9.00am	Sheila Hannon RIP
Thursday	No Mass	Church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	Margaret O'Neill
<i>Next weekend</i>		<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	Family & friends of Julia Kirton
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	For the People of the Parish Welfare of Flory Gomes

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Archdiocesan website: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

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 see Father Habte to make an appointment.

Collections

Thank you: our collections last week raised:

£540.14 For the running of the Parish

£266.38 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.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Congratulations to all our children who received their First Holy communion last Saturday 17th May 2014. On behalf of the Parish and myself I would like to say thank you to our Catechist Teresa Dempsey, Helpers, and Parents who have all guided these children through to making their First Holy Communion. Fr. Habte

REFLECTION

Jesus promised the apostles the Advocate. This is the Holy Spirit we received at Baptism and Confirmation. In two weeks we complete the Easter Season with the Celebration of Pentecost. This Gospel serves as a good reminder to prepare for Pentecost. Jesus is preparing the Apostles for the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. We are sealed with the Holy Spirit. Prepare for Pentecost by claiming that gift. Take time to realize all that the Holy Spirit has to offer us and don't hesitate to call upon this gift to strengthen and guide us.

The Holy Spirit is an encourager in our lives, advocating, calling us together and supporting us. When we simply don't have the words to pray, the reading from Romans 8 consoles us, saying that when we don't know how to pray, the Spirit will pray for us in sighs and groans too deep for words. All of this support, love and encouragement is wonderful and it feels good to be a follower of Jesus.

Jesus is not asking us to earn his love – we are already loved deeply and endlessly – whether we feel we have "earned it" or not. But God's plan for each one of us as human beings is to realize how loved we are and to be so filled with gratitude that we want to follow Jesus and his way of doing things. It's counter-cultural and not always understood by those around us, but Jesus asks us to follow him and die to ourselves.

**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 26TH MAY MASS AT 10AM,
NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,**

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

25 May **St. Simon** 01 Jun **Family Mass**
08 Jun **St. Jude** 15 Jun **St. Mary**

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm	10.30am	12.15pm
01 Jun M O' Keeffe	Kalimira, Donoghue, Hayes	E. Maria
08 Jun M Esmonde	Karim, O'Keeffe, Abreu	R Maria
15 Jun E O'Keeffe	Abebrese, Donoghue, Hayes	T Ofogu
22 Jun S Smith	Kalimira, Karim, O'Keeffe	E. Maria

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

FLOWERS: N.B.

31 May E. Karim, J.McDonagh & C. Baker
07 Jun T. Dempsey, T. Donoghue & A. Mensah
14 Jun J.Sharland, N.Sesay & M.McElhone

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

25 May Parents of the First Holy Communion Children
01 Jun Hayes, Knoop & Okaro families
08 Jun Soto, Carrea & Rodriguez families
15 Jun Campbell, Adelekan, Adeniji families
22 Jun Karim Family
29 Jun Herbert & Clarke 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 Tuesday morning Mass. If you see litter please clear it - thank you ☺

COLLECTION COUNTERS

25 May. Hutchinson & Jones 01 Jun. Sullivan & Sullivan
08 Jun. Karim & Merceica 15 Jun. Ebite & Kealy

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

01 Jun Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 46
Ascension Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20
Paula Wynne: Diana Abebrese: Victoria Leyman

08 Jun Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 103
Pentecost Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20:19-23
Francesca Campbell: Bieneosa Ebite: Chris Watts

15 Jun Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9 Psalm Daniel 3
Holy Trinity Corinthians 13: 11-13 John 3:16-18
Dias-Hudspeth Family: Malusa Kilonda: Ron Leyman

22 Jun Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16 Psalm 147
Corpus Christi Corinthians 10:16-17 John 6:51-58
Teresa Dempsey: Rosemarie Anderson: Alan Quinn

29 Jun Acts 12:1-11 Psalm 33
Sts. Peter & Paul Timothy 4:6-8,17-18 Matthew 16:13-19
Paul Hutchinson: Tony Murphy: Victoria Leyman

06 July Zechariah 9:9-10 Psalm 144
Sun 14 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30
Dominic Van Spall: Diana Abebrese: Chris Watts

Sunday 25th May:- First Holy Communion Celebration Children who received their Holy communion on Saturday 17th May will receive their certificate at the 10:30am Mass and we will have refreshments afterwards, Everyone is invited, please come along. Thank you.

Monday 26th May:- We wish you a restful and enjoyable Bank Holiday tomorrow and our Mass is at 10:00am.

Tuesday 27th May:- the feast of St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

FRIDAY 30TH MAY:- There will be no Mass on Friday instead we will have an Eucharistic Service.

Next Sunday 1st June:- The Ascension of the Lord (solemnity), World Communications Day (second Collection) this collection supports the work of Catholic communications Network (CCN).

May is the month traditionally dedicated to Mary. This would be a good occasion to join us in reciting the Holy Rosary every Monday at 12:00noon.

Fr. Habte will be doing Easter visitations and house blessings. Those who wish to be visited, please arrange a suitable time. If you know of any elderly members of St. Simon and St. Jude's parish who are housebound and who wish to receive the sacraments, please inform Fr. Habte.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord': Diocesan Evangelization Conferences: As the Archbishop indicated in his recent Pastoral Letter, there will be three one-day conferences - one in each Area - for clergy, religious and laity. Parish Priests have received a letter from the Archbishop asking them to attend the day along with other clergy and several parishioners. To assist with catering etc., please return the Registration Form enclosed with the letter to the CCF (not Archbishop's House). The aim is that having reflected on the Papal Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium and having discussed ways of evangelizing, the parishioners who attend will return to their parishes to form the nucleus of a parish evangelization team. Each day begins at 11:30am registration and coffee, for a 12:00 noon start, and ends with Mass at 4:00pm. There is no charge, and Lunch will be provided. South-East London Area: Friday 30th May, at St. Mathew's academy, Blackheath.

21 June: - MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE ST. GEORGES CATHEDRAL:-

TO GET MARRIED? If you are thinking of getting married, please remember that you need to give six months' notice. If you want to speak to Fr. Habte about your marriage please get in touch with him to arrange a time. Thank you

DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS – Sat. 28th June

The annual Day for Catechists this year is on 28th June, at St. George's Cathedral. Starting at 11am and ending with Mass at 4pm. This is a training day for all Catechists in the diocese (including those involved in Children's Liturgy), and a day of support for them in their ministry. For anyone who is interested in attending please speak to Fr. Habte or contact the parish office by 11th June as they want the numbers of people attending and there is a fee of £5 per person. Thankyou.

THANK YOU, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. **Our second collection loose cash next week is for World Communications Day,** 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.