

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 28th September 2014

26th Sunday Ordinary Time [Year A]

Remembering especially "Prayers for the Harvest"

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:

Entrance Antiphon:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel [18:25-28]

When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live.

Responsorial Psalm [24]

Remember your mercy, Lord.

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians [2:1-11]

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The sheep belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew [21:28-32]

He thought better of it and went. Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:

Hymn:

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:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Communion Hymn:

Closing Hymn:

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Jim Whitehead RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	For the People of the Parish Michael O'Connell RIP
Monday	9.00am	Private Intention
Tuesday	9.00am	Margaret Turner RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Michael Dempsey RIP
Thursday	No Mass	Church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	St. Padre Pio
<i>Next weekend</i>		<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	Peesi Menezes RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Private Intention For the People of the parish

On Monday please join us after Morning Prayer and Mass for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with Rosary and our St Jude Novena at noon.

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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:

£446.00 For the running of the Parish

£77.50 For the Refurbishment Programme

£220.47 For The Catholic Agency for Evangelisation

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.

Reflection:

Jesus' parables disclose unrecognised truths about people's commitment to God and their relationship with each other. Jesus' parables use the ordinary where the drama of the kingdom is lived out. By evoking everyday experience, the parables tell us that we are saved where we happen to be. In the parables we are invited to make a judgement and to come to a decision; they invite us to pay attention, come alive and face things. In today's Gospel parable Jesus confronts the chief priests and elders of the people. The parable criticises them for being yes-men whose promises are not matched by their performance. Fiction is used to face this problem of religious deception. The story is told of a man who has two sons and who asks them both to work in the vineyard. The first son refuses bluntly, "I will not go", but afterwards regrets his decision and changes his mind. The second son agrees politely and readily, "Certainly, sir", but his instant consent is not matched by his behaviour: he doesn't turn up. Jesus' question, "Which of them did the father's will?", only allows for one answer. Only one son did anything. Jesus' own reply identifies the two sons. The son who refused but repented stands for the tax collectors and prostitutes who compiled with God's requests set forth in John the Baptist's preaching. The other son stands for the priests and scribes who maintain the outward appearance of piety but without any real devotion to the will of God. They did not trust John the Baptist, even when they saw the testimony of the changed lives of tax collectors and prostitutes. Their outward piety, unsupported by obedience to God, is criticised earlier in the Gospel, when Jesus says: "It is not those who say to me, 'Lord, Lord', who will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the person who does the will of my Father in heaven". The son whose word was 'no' but whose action became 'yes' is held out to us as the one who did his father's will. The story does not tell us why he changed his mind or what the change cost him, only that his generosity of spirit had the last word. In time, he caught up with the best in him. He was late in doing his father's will, but not too late.

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 PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO HELP OUT OUR CATECHISTS

28 Sep **St. Jude** 05 Oct **Family Mass**
12 Oct **St. Mary** 19 Oct **St. Anne**

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15pm
28 Sep E O'Keefe Kalimira, Hayes, Karim E Maria
05 Oct M O'Keefe Donoghue, Abebrese, Hayes R Maria
12 Oct M Esmonde Kalimira, Karim, O'Keefe R Green
19 Oct P Hutchinson Karim, Donoghue, Abebese E Maria
26 Oct C Menezes Kalimira, Hayes, Karim R Maria

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

FLOWERS: N.B.

27 Sep E. Karim, J.McDonagh & C. Baker
04 Oct T. Dempsey, T. Donoghue & O Lawal
11 Oct J.Sharland, N.Sesay & M.McElhone

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

28 Sep Herbert & Clarke families
05 Oct Feasey & Van Spall families
12 Oct Grant & Abebrese families
19 Oct Murphy & Lehane families
26 Oct Hayes, Knoop and 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

28 Sep. Karim & Merceica 05 Oct. Ebite & Kealy
12 Oct. Hutchinson & Jones 19 Oct. Sullivan & 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 **GIFT AID** J Fraser, R Ebite, D Karim

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

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER SECRETARY J. Sharland

APF MISSIO RED BOXES Alan Quinn

READERS

05 Oct Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 79
Sun 27 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43

Paula Wynne: Diana Abebrese: Alan Quinn

12 Oct Isaiah 25:6-10 Psalm 22
Sun 28 Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14

Francesca Campbell: Bieneosa Ebite: Victoria Leyman

19 Oct Isaiah 45:1.4-6 Psalm 95
Sun 29 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-21

Dias-Hudspeth Family: Tony Murphy: Amanda Tyler

26 Oct Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 17
Sun 30 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40

Theresa Dempsey: Diana Abebrese: Victoria Leyman

02 Nov Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14 Psalm 23
All Saints St. John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

Paul Hutchinson: Bieneosa Ebite: Chris Watts

09 Nov Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 Psalm 45
Dedication of Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17 John 2:13-22

Lateran Basilica **Dominic Van Spall: Tony Murphy: Ron Leyman**

OCTOBER, The MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY. October is the time when we are reminded of the importance of uniting our prayers with the Mother of God and conforming ourselves to Christ as revealed in the mysteries of His life. We grow in our appreciation of Christ through meditating on these mysteries. The church encourages us to pray the Holy Rosary in our homes, and churches.

Please join us for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction and Rosary on Mondays.

Bishop Patrick Lynch: is visiting our Parish from 31st October to 2 November. He will celebrate all the weekend Masses and will meet some of our parishioners.

CAFOD Family Fast Day is on Friday 3rd October. At the back of the Church you will find envelopes for those who wish to contribute using Gift Aid. Thank you

Annual Mass Count – this year we start our Mass Attendance count next weekend. Can Greeters/Collection takers please arrange to count the congregation and note the numbers on the sheet which will be at the back of the Church.

PLANNING TO GET MARRIED? If you are thinking of getting married in 2015, please remember that you need to give six months' notice. Also, please do not book any hotels/reception places until you have received confirmation of the date from the priest. If you want to speak to Fr Habte about your marriage please get in touch with him or the parish office to arrange a time.

Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers & Readers on November 15, from 10.30 am finishing with Mass at 3 pm. Refreshments will be provided but please bring lunch. At Bishop Thomas Grant School, Belltrees Grove, SW16. This day is an excellent opportunity to renew your dedication and commitment to this ministry. Please let Fr Habte know if you will be there so that we can provide details of those attending. Thank you

COURSES FOR CURRENT & NEW CATECHISTS -There are four sessions which include: **First Holy Communion, Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Liturgy, the RCIA, practical work with children and adults and safeguarding.** Cost: £5 per session or £15 for the whole course. Contact the CCF office on 020 672 7684 for further details. The upcoming courses are being offered for both new and existing catechists. Dates are - Catford, Hartley Hall - 25 Sept, 2, 9, 23 Oct. CCF, Tooting Bec - 30 Oct, 6, 13, 20 Nov. St Teresa's, Ashford – 30 Sept, 7, 14, 21 Oct.

Ministries in the Church: Those who wish to be involved in different ministries in the Church please let Fr. Habte know. Training will be provided. Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

PARISH INTERNATIONAL LUNCH DAY: - 19th October will be our parish international food festival, the opportunity to come together as a community whilst celebrating our diversity. Please put this in your diary as it is a very important day in the life of our parish. **Donations are needed.** You will find sign-up sheets in the porch for food and drinks. Please write your name if you wish to cook your national food or your speciality, we would appreciate if you can say how many people you can cater for.

THANK YOU, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. **Our second collection next week, loose cash or using their Gift Aid envelope, is for CAFOD Family Fast 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.