

# St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent** [Year B]

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: 112

**To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.  
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.  
Nor let my enemies exult over me;  
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah [63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8]  
*Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down.*

Responsorial Psalm [79]

**God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians [1:3-9]  
*We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.*

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Let us see, O Lord, your mercy  
and give us your saving help.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark [13:33-37]  
*Stay awake, because you do not know when  
the master of the house is coming.*

At the preparation of the altar and gifts: Hymn: 603

Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. We take our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

**The Lord will bestow his bounty,  
and our earth shall yield its increase.**

Communion: 994

Closing: 93

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Francis Joseph RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Jim Parle RIP <i>9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.</i> All who Have Worshipped Here <i>FM</i>
Monday	<i>requiem</i> 11.30am	Claire O'Halloran RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Sr. Catherine Gomes RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Tracey Lawrence RIP
Thursday	No Mass	Church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	Paul Francis Gomes RIP
<i>Next weekend</i>		<i>Next Saturday &amp; Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	John Lewis RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Welfare of Michael Hayes Margaret McCarthy RIP

**On Monday there is a funeral, so there will be no Morning Prayer or Mass, but we will have our usual shared lunch for Mary's Meals.**

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<http://www.justgiving.com/StSimon-and-StJude>

Archdiocesan website: [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk](http://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:

**£344.24** For the running of the Parish

**£56.50** For the Refurbishment Programme

**£150.85** For the Catholic Youth Services

*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** – As we begin our advent journey we are reminded to be ready and awake to celebrate Christmas and welcome the Second Coming of Christ. To focus on these priorities becomes challenging because people are often overwhelmed by the need to be ready to pay a mortgage every month, to be ready for exams, to go to work, to catch a train or a flight, or for new life abroad or with new families or for transition from this life to the afterlife. Noah built an ark to be ready for an imminent flood. How can we be ready to tackle the threat of global warming, nuclear war, and disorder caused as a result of unfair distribution of wealth and segregation of peoples? The Word of the Lord instructs us in his ways. St. Paul told Christians in Rome that the Word of the Lord wakes us up now to avoid immoral ways of life such as drunken orgies, wrangling's and jealousies. The Word of God enables people to face reality and take responsibility for the world and for their own lives. The future coming of the Son of Man prepares people to take responsibility for the present time. Welcoming and responding to the present with a sense of fidelity to the Word of Christ prepares us to face unpredictable events without fear. The way we care about the present determines the kind of world we have in the future. We need to be ready to respond in listening to the Word of Christ who asks us to bring his peace, love, justice and forgiveness to all. There is nothing automatic about these gifts. We need to be ready and awake to act responsibly in order to celebrate a meaningful Christmas and welcome the Lord at his Second Coming

**TODAY WE BEGIN THE SEASON OF ADVENT** that has a twofold character. It is a time of preparation for Christmas, when Christ's first coming is remembered and it is also a time to direct mind and heart to await his Second Coming. Advent is, therefore, a time of devout and joyful expectation.

**ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLET**– cost £1:00 each.

## 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 OUR CATECHISTS

30 Nov **St. Anne** 07 Dec **Family Mass**  
14 Dec **St. Simon** 21 Dec **St. Jude**

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

### HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15pm

30 Nov	P Hutchinson	Abebrese, Donoghue, Karim	R Green
07 Dec	M O'Keefe	Karim, Hayes, Kalimira	E Maria
14 Dec	C Menezes	Abebrese, Donoghue, O'Keefe	R Maria
21 Dec	S Smith	Kalimira, Karim, Hayes	R Green
28 Dec	M Esmonde	Abebrese, Donoghue, Karim	E Maria

COORDINATORS – READERS: D Abebrese MUSIC: L. Clarke

FLOWERS: **N.B. No flowers in Advent except for Rose Sunday.**

13 Dec E. Karim, J.McDonagh & C. Baker

**All flower teams for the Christmas flowers. 24.12.14 – 9.30a.m.**

### REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

30 Nov Herbert & Clarke families  
07 Dec Feasey & Van Spall families  
14 Dec Grant & Abebrese families  
21 Dec Murphy & Lehane families  
28 Dec Hayes, Knoop and Okaro families  
04 Jan Soto, Carrea & Rodriguez 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 ☺

<b>COLLECTION COUNTERS</b>	30 Nov. Ebite & Kealy
07 Dec. Hutchinson & Jones	14 Dec. Sullivan & Sullivan
21 Dec. Karim & Merceica	28 Dec. 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, D Karim

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

**VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER SECRETARY** J. Sharland

**APF MISSIO RED BOXES** Alan Quinn

### READERS

<b>07 Dec</b>	Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11	Psalms 84
Advent 2	St. Peter 3:8-14	Mark 1:1-8
<b>Theresa Dempsey: Bieneosa Ebite: Victoria Leyman</b>		
<b>14 Dec</b>	Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11	Psalms (Luke) 1
Advent 3	Thessalonians 5:16-24	John 1:6-8,19-28
<b>Paul Hutchinson: Kelly Breslin: Chris Watts</b>		
<b>21 Dec</b>	Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14-16	Psalms 88
Advent 4	Romans 16:25-27	Luke 1:26-38
<b>Dominic Van Spall: Neala Donnelly: Ron Leyman</b>		
<b>28 Dec</b>	Genesis 15:1-6,21:1-3	Psalms 104
Holy Family	Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19	Luke 2:22-40
<b>Paula Wynne: Tony Murphy: Alan Quinn</b>		
<b>04 Jan</b>	Isaiah 60:1-6	Psalms 71
Epiphany	Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6	Matthew 2:1-12
<b>Francesca Campbell: Diana Abebrese: Amanda Tyler</b>		
<b>11 Jan</b>	Isaiah 55:1-11	Psalms (Isaiah) 12
Baptism of	St. John 5:1-9	Mark 1:7-11
Our Lord	<b>Dias-Hudspeth Family: Bieneosa Ebite: Victoria Leyman</b>	

**REMINDER** - Christmas is fast approaching so we will be asking for volunteers to read, be Eucharist ministers, and for Alter servers. Also, for anyone who is willing to help with cleaning the Church for Christmas. More details to follow.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – 2015.** Enrolment for the young people of the parish (School Year 8/9 as from January 2014) will take place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January in the parish hall for all candidates and parents. Application forms with full details are now available in the porch or parish office. **Please return your completed form to the parish office by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.** Thank you.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015** - Parents will find Registration Form at the back of the church to enroll the names of your children for the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. **Please fill the application form as soon as you can. The forms should be brought to the parish office or given to Fr. Habte.** You will then, after approval by Fr. Habte, be contacted by the parish office inviting you and your child to join the First Holy Communion Programme which commences in early January 2015.

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS/REFERENCE** - If you wish to apply to a catholic school, parents usually need a reference from their parish priest. Please call Fr. Habte to make an appointment. Thank you.

**CALLING ALL SINGERS FOR ST. SIMON AND ST JUDE'S SERVICE ON WEDNESDAY 24TH DECEMBER:** Singing is a great way to participate in parish life and joining us for the Carol service requires only a light commitment of 2 practicing sessions during Advent and a love of singing! If you want to join us, please email Lynette Clarke at libralyne@aol.com or sign up on the paper prepared in the porch. The time for rehearsal will be communicated soon. Thank you!

**OUR FAMILY CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS WILL BE AT 6:30PM,** which will be preceded by Carol service at 5:30pm. Children will be acting out the Gospel reading during Mass. **If you wish your child to take part, please stay back in the church/Hall after 10:30am Mass today and enrol your child**

**PARISH DANCE ON FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2014 - 8pm-12am.** Entrance £5 All invited, see poster in the porch.

**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 confirmed the date with 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. Thank you.

**LONDON PROBATION TRUST.** Once again, we will be collecting non-perishable food for distribution to those in need at Christmas. Probation Officers work directly with offenders, enabling them to turn their lives around and rehabilitate them back to the community. **Please box up non-perishable** items of food so that our church can show the gospel values of care to turn wayward lives around. Please bring your donations to any of our Masses until Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**VACANCIES etc.** – Please see the noticeboard in the porch for all vacancies and for details about the Brompton Toy Appeal which finishes next Sunday.

**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. 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.