

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 1st March 2015

2nd Sunday of Lent [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.

**Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
Hide not your face from me.**

A reading from the book of Genesis [22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18]
The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Responsorial Psalm [115]

**I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Romans [8:31-34]
God did not spare his own Son.

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.***

**From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard;
"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him."**

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark [9:2-10]
This is my Son, the Beloved.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:

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.

Our second collection this week, loose cash, is for our Lenten Family Fast. Next week for our Parish Refurbishment Programme. Thank you for your support.

Communion antiphon:

**This this my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Sister Rose
Sunday	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
	12.15pm	Joyce Jones RIP
Monday	9.00am	Fr Roy Elikowski RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Nora Treacy RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	William & Annie Stack RIP
Thursday	No Mass	Church is closed today
Friday	11.00am	Requiem for Selina Bostock RIP
<i>Next weekend</i>		<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	Fr Brian Coyle
Sunday	10.30am	Lesley Irwin RIP <i>Anniv</i>
	12.15pm	For the People of the Parish

Please join us for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Morning Prayer & Mass on Monday. During Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross at noon. Followed by our shared lunch for Mary's Meals.

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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:

£488.36 For, the running of the Parish

£302.61 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.

Psalm 115: "I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living."

Entrance	970	Be thou my vision
Gloria	OMITTED	DURING LENT
Offertory	747	The light of Christ
Sanctus	1014	Holy, Holy, Holy
Communion	968	Be still and know I am with you
Recessional	770	Shine, Jesus, Shine

REFLECTION: A very elderly man and woman, Abraham and Sarah, stand at the beginning of Israel's faith. Their prayer for a son was granted to them in their old age as Abraham's faith in God was rewarded. They named their son Isaac, which means laughter, for Sara laughed when she heard the promise of God. Later Abraham's faith was challenged when he was asked to make a burnt offering of his son on Mount Moriah. Abraham agrees without protest or argument to be his son's executioner. On the mountain when Abraham seizes the knife to kill Isaac, he is given a new command: not to kill his son. Instead of making a human sacrifice, Abraham makes an animal sacrifice of a ram that is caught in a bush nearby. This story raises questions related to the suffering of the innocent, the kind of worship we give to God and God's love of his creatures. This story, among other things, teaches us that God is not pleased with human sacrifice. Ritual murder and human sacrifice were common practice among the people of the region before Abraham migrated there following the call of God. God provides new teaching: human sacrifice appears to be what God wants but it turns out to be what God actually abolishes. The angel stops the ritual slaughter of a human being, and an animal is sacrificed instead. Thus animal sacrifice replaces human sacrifice, just as later, through Jesus' establishment of the institution of the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, bread and wine will replace animal sacrifice. In the second reading, however, Paul says that "God did not spare his own Son". Moriah is followed by Golgotha, except that this time no angel turns up to halt the execution and save the innocent victim, Jesus. In letting go of his Son, the Father had to let him enter fully into the human condition as Jesus

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

01 Mar **Family Mass** 08 Mar **St. Simon**
15 Mar **St. Jude** 22 Mar **St. Mary**

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15pm

01 Mar M O’Keeffe Confirmation & Communion Reader E Maria
08 Mar S Smith Abebrese, Donoghue, Karim R Maria
15 Mar M Esmonde Karim, Hayes, Kalimira R Green
22 Mar P Hutchinson O’Keeffe, Karim, Abebrese E Maria

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

FLOWERS: N.B. NO FLOWERS IN LENT

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

01 Mar Soto, Carrea & Rodriguez families
08 Mar Campbell, Adelekan and Adjeniji families
15 Mar Karim families
22 Mar Herbert & Clarke families
29 Mar Feasey & Van Spall 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.

COLLECTION COUNTERS

01 Mar. Ebite & Kealy 08 Mar. Hutchinson & Jones
15 Mar. Karim & Merceica 22 Mar. 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

01 Mar Genesis 22:1-2,9-13, 15-18 Psalm 115
Lent 2 Romans 8:31-34 Mark 9:2-10

Theresa Dempsey: Neala Donnelly: Ron Leyman

08 Mar Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 18
Lent 3 Corinthians 1:22-25 John 2:13-25

Paul Hutchinson: Tony Murphy: Alan Quinn

15 Mar Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Psalm 136
Lent 4 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21

Dominic Van Spall: Diana Abebrese: Amanda Tyler

22 Mar Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 50
Lent 5 Hebrews 5:7-9 John 12:20-30

Paula Wynne: Bieneosa Ebite: Victoria Leyman

29 Mar Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm 21
Palm Sun Philippians 2:6-11 Mark 14:1-15, 15:47

Francesca Campbell: Kelly Breslin: Chris Watts

PARISH MINISTRY ROTA ON THE WEBSITE: soon the rota for readers, greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, refreshment volunteers, Children’s liturgy catechists, will be online and will be emailed to all. This is a pilot project to move the rota page from the newsletter to the website. Copies of the rota will be in the sacristy and the porch as well.

Altar server’s time keeping – Parents’ please remember if your child is due to serve they should arrive at least 30 minutes before the Mass is due to start.

CLEANING THE CHURCH:

If you are able to come on Tuesdays from 10:00am onwards your help will be very much appreciated.

emptied himself before becoming human. It was the devil, not the Father, who wanted Jesus to play at being God. All parents worry about the fate of their children, and they cannot take responsibility for the variety of complex events that shape their children’s lives. That is the risk of letting go. Parents don’t plan their children’s pain; they can only suffer with them. So it is when the Father sees his beloved Son face death on Golgotha. That event is the consequence of his Son’s way of loving. The Father in his time will honour this through the resurrection and ascension which is the reward of faith trust.

REQUIEM MASS AND FUNERAL OF FR. ROY ELKOWSKI who served in this parish as an assistant Parish Priest passed away on Tuesday 10 February. His funeral will be held on Monday 2nd March at St Gregory’s, 8 Heathcote Road, Stoke on Trent ST3 2JU. Please remember Fr. Roy and his family in your prayers.

Our Second Collection This Week Is For Our Cafod Family Fast Day. Cafod’s work throughout the world is vital. Fast days are our opportunities to support that vital work. They need our help. Please return your family fast day donation during the second collection today.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: - During this Lenten season we will have Stations of the Cross every Monday at noon immediately after our weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

LENT is a time for recalling our own baptism and doing penance for our sins. During this season, alms-giving, fasting and abstinence support our prayer and reflection.

DEANERY PENITENTIAL SERVICE: - at English Martyrs, Streatham on Sunday 22nd March at 7:00 pm.

ADORATION — GOD RICH IN MERCY— All parishioners are invited to help. (Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization). Sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for Adoration on Saturday 14th March.

Sing along - sign-up sheet at the back of the church: - as one of the many things that we can take up this lent. On Monday evenings from 7:30pm in the church or Sunday’s immediately after the 10:30am mass in the church hall. **All are invited.**

CATECHESIS AT ST SIMON & ST JUDE’S

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Saturday 7 March at 10.00am.

FIRST CONFESSION: Saturday 14 March format 4.45pm in the Church

CONFIRMATION: Saturday 7 March at 11.15am.

JOURNEY IN FAITH/Confirmation: Tuesday 3 March at 7.30pm in the Undercroft.

BAPTISM COURSE: Tuesday 3 March at 10.30am.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING

The next parents’ meeting is on Saturday 7th March at 10:00am in the finance room (parish hall). All parents are expected to attend. Children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday 14th March at 4.45pm.

CONGRATULATIONS to the parents and sponsors of the Helena Frances O’Connor who was baptized here in our parish on 21st February 2015.

BODY RECONDITIONING CLASSES STS. SIMON & JUDE PARISH HALL: a safe and comprehensive system based on yoga and Pilates that can be practiced by any age and all levels of fitness this week and every Wednesday from 10:00am-12 noon. For more details contact Mary McElhone on 07932 744 991