

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 8th March 2015

3rd 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.

**My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.**

A reading from the book of Exodus [20:1-17]
The Law was given through Moses

Responsorial Psalm [18]

You, Lord have the message of eternal life.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians [1:22-25]
*Here we are preaching a crucified Christ, an obstacle to men,
but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.*

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.**

**I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,
whoever believes in me will never die.**

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A reading from the holy Gospel according to John [2:22-25]
Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

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, is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme. Next week for our Easter Flowers.** Thank you for your support.

Communion antiphon:

**The sparrow finds a home, and a swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Fr Brian Coyle
Sunday	10.30am	Lesley Irwin RIP <i>Anniv</i>
	12.15pm	For the People of the Parish
Monday	9.00am	Harry Wiston RIP <i>FM</i>
Tuesday	9.00am	Fr Roy Elikowski RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Fr Roy Elikowski RIP
Thursday	No Mass	Church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	Joyce Jones RIP
<i>Next weekend</i>		<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	Fred Patton RIP
Sunday	10.30am	Jackie Adams
	12.15pm	Fr Roy Elikowski RIP

**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.**

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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:

£492.71 For the running of the Parish

£77.50 For the Refurbishment Programme

£279.35 For CAFOD

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 18: "You, Lord have the message of eternal life."

Entrance	466	All people that ...
Gloria	OMITTED	DURING LENT
Offertory	600	All that I am
Sanctus	1014	Holy, Holy, Holy
Communion	926	Whatever you do
Recessional	847	O Lord all the world..

REFLECTION: The portrait of Jesus in today's Gospel is a world away from the story book caricature of Jesus as the meek, mild and harmless figure. An opposing caricature uses this passage to make Jesus into a godfather of violence, a revolutionary willing to support annihilation for the sake of the cause. Jesus did use force in the Temple and he was certainly aggressive. The word aggression comes from the Latin root *aggredi*, which means "to go forward, to approach, and to move against". Constructive aggression means taking the initiative to support what is important; it means working in a hostile environment against the power that devalues one's beliefs. However, Jesus did not use force to secure a coup d'etat – he was not a nationalist leader. Nor did he use aggression to gain power for himself – his kingdom could not be established by violence. By way of explanation, the evangelist John tells us that Jesus' disciples remember the words of the scripture, "Zeal for your house will devour me." Jesus is consumed by zeal, by passion. That zeal is expressed in positive aggression in the service of his Father's house for the advancement of the kingdom of God. The casualties of his aggression turned out to be displaced traders and cattle. Not dead people. The outer court of the Temple had become a market where animals could be bought for sacrifice, and where visiting pilgrims could change their money into the coinage acceptable to the Temple authorities. Jesus' command is clear: "Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market." Jesus reclaimed the Temple for the worship of God and soon enough, as John tells us, the Temple will be replaced by a new sanctuary where people can meet God – in the person of the risen Jesus himself. Therefore we must wisely employ our zeal at the

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

08 Mar	St. Simon	15 Mar	St. Jude
22 Mar	St. Mary	29 Mar	St. Anne

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

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15pm

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
29 Mar	C Menezes	Donoghue, Hayes, Kalimira	E Maria

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

FLOWERS: N.B. NO FLOWERS IN LENT

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

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

08 Mar.	Hutchinson & Jones	15 Mar.	Karim & Merceica
22 Mar.	Ebite & Kealy	29 Mar.	Hutchinson & Jones

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

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
Volunteers Required		

05 April	Acts 10:34, 37-43	Psalm 117
Easter Sun	Colossians 3:1-4	John 20:1-9
Volunteers Required		

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.

service of the values of the kingdom of God that benefit all people. This includes confronting the powers in charity that devalue our beliefs. We do not need to draw back from challenges thereby indirectly allowing opposing powers to flourish. Sometimes disturbing the peace may be the only Christian option, hence the Latin caption is apt: “Si vis pacem para bellum” (if you want to have peace prepare for war)

PRAYER is one of the three pillars of Lenten practice. Through prayer, we raise our hearts and minds to God in thanksgiving and praise. Prayer is our “vital and personal relationship with the true and living God”.

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.

Congratulations to the parents and sponsors of Lara Stuart who was baptised here on 28th February .

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

FIRST CONFESSION OF CHILDREN FOR COMMUNION
Children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday 14th March at 4.45pm.

CATECHESIS AT ST SIMON & ST JUDE’S

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

CONFIRMATION: Saturday 21 March
at 11.15am.

JOURNEY IN FAITH/Confirmation:
Tuesday 10 March at 6pm in the Undercroft.

COUNTERS: Thank you to the existing team helping in counting the collection money every weekend. If you can spare some time to count on a Sunday, Monday or Tuesday morning, please speak to Fr. Habte or leave your details with Nicola in the Parish Office – or e-mail us at st_sj_office@btinternet.com or call on 020 8678 9051.

REGULAR GIVING TO OUR PARISH.

Beginning this weekend, the parish Finance committee will inform us about the finances of the parish and related issues. One of the main topics will be to encourage parishioners to give through a regular giving scheme (Gift aid) and make their weekly offering by handing in an envelope each week. The brown envelopes are available at the back of the church. Subject to the donor being a UK taxpayer. The use of these envelopes, rather than placing loose cash in the collection bag, has the added advantage that you can permit us to claim a tax Gift Aid contribution on your donation – which cannot be done with loose cash. However, we think there might be a number of church members who, as yet, are not committed to giving on a regular basis. At the back of the church are the Welcome Packs with application forms for making a regular commitment by using the envelope or by Bank Standing Order. If you don’t do either, then we encourage you to think seriously about beginning.

Please see the greeters and gift aid and finance committee members and return the form to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Many thanks.