

# St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** [Year A]

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 Antiphon:

**Save us, O Lord our God!  
And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to your holy name,  
and make it our glory to praise you.**

A reading from the prophet Zephaniah [2:3, 3:12-13]  
*I your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people.*

Responsorial Psalm [145]

**How happy are the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom on heaven.**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians [1:26-31]  
*God chose what is foolish by human reckoning.*

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Blessed are you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom  
to mere children.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew [5:1-12]  
*How happy are the poor in spirit.*

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 both 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. **Our second collection today and for next weekend is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme.**

Communion antiphon:

**Let your face shine on your servant.  
Save me in your merciful love.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame,  
for I call on you.**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Dec'd of the Durden Family RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Margaret Thomson RIP Alan Hazeltine RIP
Monday	9.00am	Ethna Teresa Hocking RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Tony Frost RIP
Wednesday	9.00am	Holy Souls
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Church is closed today</b>
Friday	9.00am	Holy Souls
<b>Next weekend</b>		<b>Next Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>
Saturday	6.00pm	Carmen and George Glew RIP
Sunday	10.30am 12.15pm	Mary Kelleher RIP Anthony Donaghey RIP Anniv.

**Please join us after Mass on Monday  
for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
followed by Benediction,  
St. Jude Novena and Rosary at noon.**

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Choir: <http://www.worshipandprayer.org.uk/meetings.htm>

<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

**£296.39** For the running of the Parish

**£203.80** 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.*

**Reflection.** In today's three readings we hear of God's preference for the nobodies of this world. The prophet Zephaniah speaks of the humble and the lowly, those who find refuge and shelter in the Lord. Paul warns the Christians at Corinth not to become puffed up with their own wisdom because God has a habit of choosing what is weak and foolish by human standards. Matthew gives us the great jewel of his Gospel – the beatitudes, which celebrate the little people whose lives illumine the truth of the Gospel. Those who are called "blessed" or "happy" in these beatitudes can hardly be described as fortunate or lucky in the eyes of the world: the lowly, the mourners, those deprived of justice, those who are persecuted and abused. Matthew describes what happens to the disciples of Christ when the kingdom breaks in this broken world. The beatitudes speak of a variety of experiences that the disciples undergo as a result of their involvement in living the Gospel. The result of this involvement might appear to the world as senseless suffering, but Jesus says that it is good. He heaps blessings on those who struggle to love the truth of the Gospel. The best commentary on the beatitudes is Jesus' own life. To be authentic to his calling, Jesus gives us power and prestige to follow the way of powerlessness. He is gentle with the kind of people that others write off as hopeless cause. Jesus has the habit of scandalizing the religious authorities with the readiness of his mercy and forgiveness. In spite of all his struggles Jesus is blessed: God raises him on the third day. Jesus experiences all this as an outcome of a life lived in the love and enthusiasm of God. If his disciples, to whom the beatitudes are addressed, are gripped by the same reality then they too will have to face similar experiences. Jesus says that they will be blessed because they will experience the fullness of the kingdom of heaven.

### 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

Please see the timetable for Children's Mass and Liturgy

29 Jan **Lehane family** 05 Feb **Family Mass**  
12 Feb **Murphy family** 19 Feb **Breslin family**

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

#### **HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15pm**

29 Jan P Hutchinson Kalimira, D Karim, O'Keeffe R Green  
05 Feb M O'Keeffe Smith, Donoghue, E Karim R Maria

**COORDINATORS - MUSIC:** L. Clarke

**ALTAR SERVERS ROTA:** Sun 10.30am

29 Jan St. Simon & St Jude 05 Feb St. Francis of Assissi  
12 Feb St. Ignatius of Loyola 19 Feb St. Simon & St Jude

#### **FLOWERS: - NB:**

04 Feb T. Dempsey, T. Donoghue & O Lawal  
11 Feb J. Sharland, N. Sesay & M. McElhone  
18 Feb E. Karim, Erika

#### **REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)**

29 Jan D'Costa family  
05 Feb 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** 29 Jan Ebite & Kealy  
05 Feb Hutchinson & Jones 12 Feb Karim & Palmiero  
19 Feb Daniel K & Powell 26 Feb 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, S. Hayes, P. Hutchinson,  
E. O'Keeffe & M. Ryan **GIFT AID** J Fraser, R Ebite, M Veerapen

**WEBSITE MATERIAL** M. Knoop / T. Duffy

**APF MISSIO RED BOXES** Alan Quinn

#### **READERS**

**29 Jan** Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13 Psalm 145  
Sun 4 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Matthew 5:1-12  
**Francesca Campbell: Bieneosa Ebite: Ron Leyman**  
**05 Feb** Isaiah 58:7-10 Psalm 111  
Sun 5 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16  
**Teresa Dempsey: Helen Dias-Hudspeth: Alan Quinn**

### **Body Reconditioning Classes at St. Simon and St. 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.

**Every Wednesday from 10 am to 12 noon.**

For more information please contact  
Mary McElhone on 07932 744 991

### **Are you on our Gift Aid List Yet?**

By signing up for Gift Aid, every £1 you give (whether via Sunday envelopes or standing order) allows the Church to receive an extra 25p in funds from the UK government.

If you would like more information please contact

Rosaline Ebite or Maria Verapen, our Gift Aid co-ordinators,  
on [rose\\_ebite@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rose_ebite@hotmail.co.uk).

*Please note this only applies to UK tax payers*

Please see the notice in the porch regarding '**A Day with Jesus**'.  
A retreat for children and youth at St Boniface Church, Tooting.

### **On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.**

It commemorates the moment when Jesus and Mary brought the infant Jesus to the Temple forty days after his birth to perform the ritual of purification.

**On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Blaise.** The customary blessing of throats will take place during Mass. St. Blaise is Patron of Throat Ailments and was known for his kindness and healing. He is sought by believers to cure the medical conditions of loved ones and animals.

### **PARISH DIARY**

**Choir Practice.** Monday 30 January  
7.30pm in the church.

**Finance Committee Meeting.** Tuesday 31 January  
7.30 pm in the Parish Hall.

#### **Baptism Course**

Wednesday 31 January at 10.30 am.

**First Holy Communion Classes.** Saturday 4 February  
10 am in the Parish Hall.

**Confirmation Classes.** Saturday 4 February  
11.15 pm in the Parish Hall.

**Family Mass.** Sunday 5 February at 10.30 am.

**First Holy Communion Preparation.** For Parents.  
First Holy Communion Day Celebration clothing and gifts see website [www.firstholychommunion.co.uk](http://www.firstholychommunion.co.uk) or phone 020 8543 7721.

#### **Job Vacancy for Head Teacher.**

The Governors', staff and children of Notre Dame Catholic Primary School are looking to appoint a Head teacher who is fully committed to the ethos of Catholic Education. If you are interested please see the advertisement in the porch for full details.

**Baptism.** All who wish their children to be baptised at St. Simon and St. Jude's, please contact Father Habte to complete the Baptism form. All parents who want their baby baptised need to attend the baptism preparation class.

**Getting Married?** At least six months' notice needs to be given for marriages whether they are taking place at St Simon and St Jude's or elsewhere to give time for the necessary pastoral and administrative preparation.

Please speak to Fr. Habte in the first instance.

It is customary for weddings to be celebrated in the parish where the bride resides.

#### **Cleaning the Church.**

If you are able to lend a hand on Tuesdays from 10 am onwards your help would be very much appreciated. Thank you.



#### **Mass Intentions and Mass Cards.**

If you would like to have a Mass said for a special intention, please come to the Sacristy or call in to the office during the week. If you require a specific date, please try to book it well in advance. Mass envelopes can be found at the back of the church. You can now collect Mass cards from the Parish Office.