

# St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent** [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:

**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 [17:3-7]

*Give us water to drink.*

Responsorial Psalm [94]

**O that today you would listen to his voice:  
'Harden not your hearts.'**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans [5:1-2, 5-8]

*The love of God has been poured into our hearts  
by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.*

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.**

**Lord, you are really the saviour of the world;  
give me living water, so that I may never get thirsty.  
Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour...**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John [4:5-42]

*A spring of water welling up to eternal life.*

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 next weekend is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme.**

Communion antiphon:

**For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord,  
the water I shall give him will become in him  
a spring welling up to eternal life.**

| Mass details        |                    | Intentions  |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| Saturday            | 6.00pm             | Veronica Manuel RIP   |
| Sunday              | 10.30am<br>12.15pm | Kitty and Donal Maher RIP Anniv.<br>James Leo Kealy RIP Anniv |
| Monday              | 9.00am             | Pat and Andy  |
| Tuesday             | 9.00am             | Peter Veerapen RIP Anniv.                                     |
| 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             | Coleen Manuel RIP Anniv                                       |
| Sunday              | 10.30am<br>12.15pm | Margaret Bryson RIP<br>Karol Ferenc RIP                       |

**Please join us on Monday after Mass for Exposition  
of the Blessed Sacrament. Followed by Benediction,  
St. Jude Novena and the Stations of the Cross at 11 am.**

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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 .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 11 am.

**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

**£354.92** For the running of the Parish

**£55.00** For the Refurbishment Programme

**£463.08** For CAFOD

*These sums include monies given in Gift Aid envelopes.  
Our thanks also go to those who donate by Banker's Order  
directly into the parish account.*

Reflection: In today's Gospel reading Jesus meets a woman at a well. Jesus is a Jew who is travelling through foreign territory while the woman is a Samaritan who is on home ground. Their peoples have been estranged from each other for centuries, and that ancient hostility has been kept alive by subsequent generations. Jesus makes the first move expressing his need for a drink from her. Thirst knows no boundaries. The woman is taken back that a Jew, no matter how thirsty, would bother to ask a Samaritan for a drink. Jesus expects her to be a good Samaritan and his expectation confuses her. She now calls Jesus a "prophet" – for he knows who she is and yet doesn't leave her in a heap of pain. He does not call her names; he does not reprimand her; he merely states how things are. But she moves the conversation on to discuss the proper place to worship God – from her personal and intimate life to a seminar on liturgy! When people get too close to where we live, we all want to change the subject and move it to a painless, abstract level. Jesus follows her cue and talks about the liturgy. But he is not too concerned about the proper dress to worship God; he is more concerned that the worship of God be done in spirit and in truth. Jesus leads the conversation back where it was - the truth. How can you worship God if you do not face the truth about yourself? What kind of cosmetic worship are we talking about that is not linked to who people are and how they are? So Jesus tells the woman who he is. In telling her who he is, Jesus gives her the living water. She leaves him to handle his bewildered disciples while she runs off to tell the town about the man who revealed her to herself. She does not keep her experience a secret. She turns her experience of Jesus into a message for others. Jesus has freed her to carry his message to others. Many came to meet Jesus because of the woman. Many also believed in Jesus because of her story. The Samaritan woman is a summary of how people come to understand Jesus: first as Jew; then as a prophet, the Messiah, the Saviour of the world. She is one of the first witnesses of John's Gospel who leads others to Jesus. Her past does not hinder her from being a messenger of the Good News. She has a story to tell.

## 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**

19 Mar **Godet family**, Sarah & Taylor  
26 Mar **Kakabanova family**, Esther & Hannah  
02 Apr **Family Mass**

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

**HOLY COMMUNION** 6pm                      10.30am                      12.15pm  
19 Mar                      M Esmonde                      D Karim, O'Keeffe, S Smith R Green  
26 Mar                      P Hutchinson                      E Karim, Donoghue, Hayes E Maria

**COORDINATORS - MUSIC:** L. Clarke

**ALTAR SERVERS ROTA:**                      Sun 10.30am  
19 Mar St. Francis of Assissi                      26 Mar St. Ignatius of Loyola  
02 Apr St. Simon & St Jude                      09 Apr St. Francis of Assissi

### **FLOWERS: - NB: No Flowers during Lent**

All flower teams for Easter.

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

19 Mar Campbell, Adelekan & Adeniji families  
26 Mar Karim family

**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**

19 Mar Daniel K & Powell                      26 Mar Ebite & Kealy  
02 Apr Hutchinson & Jones                      09 Apr Karim & Palmiero

**CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS:** Childline advice 0800 1111

Local Advisor: David Feasy                      020 8670 7565

Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard                      020 7960 2504

**SACRISTANS** M. Abreu, R. Green, S. Hayes, P. Hutchinson,  
H Dias-Hudspeth, E. O'Keeffe & M. Ryan

**GIFT AID** R Ebite, M Veerapen

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

**APF MISSIO RED BOXES** Alan Quinn

### **READERS**

19 Mar Exodus 17:3-7                      Psalm 94  
Lent 3 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8                      John 4:5-42

**Teresa Dempsey: Bieneosa Ebite: Alan Quinn**

26 Mar Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13                      Psalm 22  
Lent 4 Ephesians 5:5-14                      John 9:1-41

**Dominic Van Spall: Kelly Breslin: Alan Quinn**

**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.

**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.

**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

and Maria Veerapen, 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*

*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.*

### **Lent Started on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March.**

For this Lent can we try something new? Probably instead of giving up something, giving out something, our time, and our talent? Joining one of the parish groups and activities? Helping our parish a little bit more than usual? I invite you all to reflect upon it and may be contact me when you feel ready. Thank you, Fr. Habte

### **Stations of the Cross.**

During this Lenten season we have Stations of the Cross every Monday at 11 am, immediately after our weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

### **Joint Parish Penitential Service.**

Lent is a time prayer, fasting almsgiving and reconciliation. Our Parish and St. Matthew's Parish West Norwood will have a Joint Parish penitential service here at St. Simon and St. Jude, on Tuesday 28 March at 7.30 pm.

**British Summer Time starts at 1 am on Sunday 26 March**, clocks in the UK go forward one hour.

Please remember to put your clocks forward. It is also **Mothering Sunday**; let us pray for all spiritual and biological Mothers. Our spiritual and biological Mothers deserve our gratitude; may God bless and protect them always.



## PARISH DIARY

**Choir Practice:** Monday 20 March  
7.30 pm in the church.

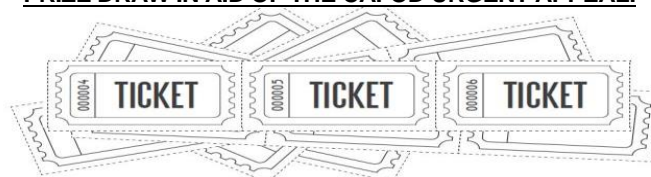
**First Holy Communion Classes:**  
Saturday 25 March 10 am in the Parish Hall.

**Confirmation Classes:**  
Saturday 25 March 11.15 am in the Parish Hall.

### **Cleaning our Church.**

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

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ENTER OUR EASTER RAFFLE PRIZE DRAW IN AID OF THE CAFOD URGENT APPEAL.**



*Please buy a ticket for the chance to win one of the following prizes:*

#### **First Prize.**

One night complimentary stay for two people at The DoubleTree By Hilton London Greenwich with breakfast included.

#### **Second Prize.**

The Langham Hotel Afternoon Tea With Wedgwood For Two. A luxury afternoon tea experience for two people, served in the elegant Langham Rose tea ware created exclusively by Wedgwood for The Langham Hotels

#### **Third Prize.**

Dinner for two people and a bottle of wine at the Rydges Kensington Hotel.

#### **TO BE DRAWN ON EASTER SUNDAY**

Tickets cost £5 each and are available at the back of the Church after Mass.