

# St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017**  
**5<sup>th</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:

**Give me justice, O God,  
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.  
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength.**

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel [37:12-14]  
*I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.*

Responsorial Psalm [129]

**With the Lord there is mercy  
and fullness of redemption.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans [8:8-11]  
*The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you..*

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.**

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John [11:1-45]  
*I am the resurrection and the 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 is for our Easter flowers and next weekend is for our Parish Refurbishment Programme. Thank you.**

Communion antiphon:

**Everyone who lives and believes in me  
will not die for ever, says the Lord.**

| Mass details        |                    | Intentions  |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| Saturday            | 6.00pm             | Muriel White RIP Anniv.                             |
| Sunday              | 10.30am<br>12.15pm | Jack Quirin RIP<br>John Doughy RIP Anniv.           |
| Monday              | 9.00am             | Margaret Bryson RIP                                 |
| <b>Tuesday</b>      | <b>11.00am</b>     | <b>Requiem:</b> Margaret Bryson RIP                 |
| Wednesday           | 9.00am             | Mary Dempsey RIP                                    |
| <b>Thursday</b>     | <b>No Mass</b>     | <b>Church is closed today</b>                       |
| Friday              | 9.00am             | Margaret Bryson RIP                                 |
| <b>Next weekend</b> |                    | <b>Next Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>                   |
| Saturday            | 6.00pm             | Maurice Wynne RIP Anniv.                            |
| Sunday              | 10.30am<br>12.15pm | Margaret Bryson RIP<br>For the People of the parish |

**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.  
Followed by our 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 .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

**£409.79** For the running of the Parish

**£276.31** 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  
directly into the parish account.*

## Reflection:

Just as the blindness of the man in last week's Gospel showed Jesus as the light, so the death of Lazarus in today's Gospel will serve to show Jesus as the life. The evangelist John is now showing us a great truth about Jesus that he proclaimed at the beginning of his Gospel: "All that came to be, had life in him, and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower (1:4-5)". When Jesus tells Martha that her brother will rise again, he will show her that he means now: "I am the resurrection and the life". The death of Lazarus does not mean that it is too late for Jesus to be his life. In a loud voice Jesus calls to the dead: Lazarus, here! Come out!" The great miracle is that while he is dead Lazarus hears the word of Jesus and obeys it. Hearing the voice of the Son of God, Lazarus lives again. The great prophetic word of Jesus is seen to happen: "I tell you most solemnly, the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God. And all who hear it will live" (5:25). The story of the raising of Lazarus proclaims the great truth that Jesus is the Lord of life. He has power to call us out of our tombs – for the Christian life only begins when we, even though we are dead, hear the word of God and obey it. We know from experience that we do not have to be dead physically to be in need of being raised up. We can be dead in the midst of life – hoping for a word, a family and a community that will put us together again. The voice of Jesus calls us all away from making the tomb our natural habitat. It also challenges us to take responsibility for our brothers and sisters who, like Lazarus, are loved by Jesus. If we see people buried alive we are invited to do as Jesus did in the Gospel: call them, and help them go free. If we do that as part of our Lenten task, then resurrection at Easter will not come as too much of a surprise.

### **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**

02 Apr **Family Mass**  
09 Apr **Palm Sunday**  
16 Apr **Easter Sunday**

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

**HOLY COMMUNION** 6pm                      10.30am                      12.15pm  
02 Apr M O'Keeffe                      Donoghue, Kalimira Smith R Maria  
09 Apr See the noticeboard

**COORDINATORS - MUSIC:** L. Clarke

**ALTAR SERVERS ROTA:**                      Sun 10.30am  
02 Apr St. Simon & St Jude                      09 Apr Palm Sunday  
16 Apr Easter Sunday                      23 Apr St. Francis of Assissi

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

*All flower teams for Easter on Saturday 15 April*

**REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)**

02 Apr Herbert & Clarke families  
09 Apr D'Costa 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**

02 Apr Hutchinson & Jones                      09 Apr Karim & Palmiero  
23 Apr Daniel K & Powell                      30 Apr Ebite & Kealy

**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**

**02 Apr** Ezekiel 37:12-14                      Psalm 129  
Lent 5 Romans 8:8-11                      John 11:1-45

**Paula Wynne: Helen Dias: Alan Quinn**

**09 Apr** Isaiah 50:4-7                      Psalm 21  
**Palm Sunday** Philipians 2:6-11                      Matthew 26:14-27, 66

**Volunteers Required**

**EASTER TRIDIUM.** I encourage the whole parish; including families and children to attend the three great celebrations of Maundy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm. Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm and the Easter Vigil, Saturday at 7.30pm. The liturgy makes faith real and living and actualises a relationship with Jesus and with each other. Therefore, I urge families to come so that we all, including our children, can experience the living liturgy with its rich symbols of bread, wind, fire, water and soil.

**Raffle Prize Draw for the Cafod Urgent Appeal and our Parish Refurbishment Programme.** Tickets cost £5 each and are available at the back of the Church after each Mass.

**TO BE DRAWN ON EASTER SUNDAY.**

*Please see the poster in the porch for full details.*

**Easter Celebration Singalong** organised by the Knights of St. Columba at St. Matthew's Church hall on Saturday 22 April from 7.30pm to 11.30pm. With buffet style food, music and singalong. For more information please see the notice board.

*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. On Good Friday at 10 am the children of the Parish will have their own Way of the Cross. Please be sure to bring them for this special prayer. Thank you.

**Please take a copy of Easter Card** containing the timetable for Holy Week and Easter Day.

This will relieve priests from answering frequent telephone queries about the times of Holy Week services. It is hoped that you will make a commitment to attend the Holy Week Services.

Full details of Easter Services are also on the Website

**Next Sunday is Palm Sunday.**

**Palms will be blessed and distributed to remember Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem.**

**Holy Week and Easter Ministry.** Please look for the sign-up sheets at the back of the Church. We need as many collectors, Eucharistic Ministers, greeters and readers as possible from Holy Thursday through to Easter Sunday. We will have a separate sign-up sheet in the Sacristy for our altar servers. Thank you.

**Easter Offering to the Parish Priest.** The Easter

Envelopes are available in the porch. The Finance Committee ask you to be as generous as possible to our Parish Priest at Easter. It is our way of supporting his expenses and saying thank you for his ministry among us. If you are going at Easter please use the envelope and put it in the letter box whenever you can.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation.** The sacrament of reconciliation is a wonderful chance for us to fulfil our Easter duties and to receive from God his merciful forgiveness which helps us to have an adequate preparation for the great feast of Easter. We have two days during the Holy week dedicated for the sacrament of reconciliation. Please do check the details on the Easter Card or visit our website. Thank you.

**CHURCH CLEANING.** In Holy Week our church will be cleaned on Tuesday 11 April and Saturday 15 April at 10 am. All are welcome to come along to help.

### **PARISH DIARY**

**Choir Practice:** Monday 3 April  
7.30 pm in the church.

**First Holy Communion Classes Resume,**  
Saturday 6 May at 10 am in the Parish Hall.

**Confirmation Classes Resume,**  
Saturday 29 April at 11.15 am in the Parish Hall.