St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 3rd April 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 3rd April – Divine Mercy Sunday 6.15pm (Saturday 2nd April) Hugh & Agnes Maguire RIP 8.30am People of the parish 10.00am Thanksgiving – Ron Gomez 80th birthday 11.30am Bridget McDonagh RIP (Polyphony Choir singing today) 4pm Benediction 5pm Patrick O'Hara RIP

Second week of Easter: Monday 4th April The Annunciation of The Lord 7.30am Phyllis, Hannah & Kathleen Mc Carthy RIP (Foundation Mass) 10.00am Special intention (Bridie Addison)

Tuesday 5th April
7.30am Welfare of Elizabeth Maduka
10.00am Hazel & Andy McCrystal RIP (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday 6th April
7.30am Welfare of the Thompson family
10.00am Philip Floody RIP
Thursday 7th April
St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest
Patron Saint of Teachers (Memorial)

07:30 Helena Akaadom Boamoh (Birthday) 10:00 Shirley D'Souza RIP

Friday 8th April 07:30 Mary Boadiwah Akaadom RIP 10:00 Eric Bethune RIP

Saturday 9th April Our Lady 10:00 Thanksgiving – special intention (Muoghalu family)

Next Sunday 10th April Third Sunday of Easter 6.15pm (Saturday 9th April) Thanksgiving – Ethelda Williams (60th Birthday) 08:30 People of the parish 10:00 Mimma Di Giacomo RIP 11:30 Emeliana Diniz RIP **4pm Benediction** 5pm Welfare of James Carrol Daily Mass & Prayer *Mass: Mon – Fri: 7.30am *Morning Prayer of the Church Mon - Sat 9.15am *Adoration & Benediction. Mon – Sat 9.30am *Mass: Mon – Sat 10.00am *Rosary: Mon – Sat 10.30am *Confessions: Saturday, after 10.00am Mass, until 11.00am; then in the afternoon from 5.00pm to 6.00pm, and at call, provided that a priest is available.

Readings in Parish Mass Book: This Sunday – P. 262 Next Sunday – P. 265

Thank you for your generosity: You gave a fine total of **£870.90** for the Holy Places collection on Good Friday.

EASTER THANKS:

Father Deo and Father Paul extend their sincere thanks to you all for your great generosity to them at Easter. The amount collected came to **£5100.00**). May God bless you all for the great kindness which you show towards your priests.

MORE EASTER THANKS: As ever, our celebrations during the Easter Triduum were made possible and indeed enriched by the input of so many people, too numerous to name individually. The Church was cleaned and was decorated with beautiful floral arrangements; The choir enhanced the prayerful and the joyful atmosphere on each occasion with their beautiful singing; The altar servers practised methodically and were a credit to the parish in the way in which they conducted themselves; Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion served us wonderfully too. And the wholehearted participation of the whole congregation was itself central to such a wonderful celebration of Holy Week and Easter. Thank you everybody for your participation, whatever your involvement in the preparation and the carrying out of your own part in our Easter celebrations. Alleluia! Alleluia!



"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

<u>NB: Details of our own Divine Mercy</u> <u>event will be announced later in the</u> year.

In the coming week:-

Friday 8th – Over 55's meet in the upper hall from 2pm to 4pm. Do come prepared for an interesting afternoon!

Saturday 9th –

First Holy Communion Programme Session 9:

"Do This in Memory of Me" This session is for parents as well as children. Please arrive for a prompt 10am start, finishing at 11.30am.

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th – Youth Club Grand National Event.

MISSIO: Boxholders and promoters are kindly reminded that collection is due for this month of April.

The Parish Office has now reopened.



Please pray for the Sick and Housebound:



Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake, Frances Caulfield, Gordon Clark, Raffaela Forte, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anne Harris, Agnes Healy, Patsy Hopkins, Joan Huie, Felix Isichei, Linda Lovel, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Jose Mcmillan, Ajitha Mahatantila, Dominic Mascarenhas, Charmaine Meli, Mary Meyern, Edgar Ming, Pietro Mobile, Breda O'Donoghue (Fox), Peter Ranawake, Marion Robertson, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Mrs Bobby Thain, Edythe Thirlwall, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Georgette Yoo Foo; Ian and Nazim.

Church Cleaning: Group 3 this week: Brigid Griffin, Joyce Ippoliti,

Jeannette Da Silva, Bernie Knight. As you can see, this is a small group, who could really do with some extra members to lighten the load. Please let the parish office know if you are willing and able to join one of our cleaning teams, all of which are very much in need new members. If you are on a team, but no longer able to attend, please let us know.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES:

Please note that the next course will take place on Wednesdays May 18th & 25th at 8pm. A further course is planned for July 2016. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for details.

The Repository: We shall soon have available cards and gifts for our forthcoming First Holy Communions in May.

The Church Hall - Advance notice: The hall will be closed to all users as follows: 1/ Thursday 5th May – London Mayoral Election; 2/ Monday – Thursday 6th – 9th June (and possibly Monday 13th June): BTG School Admissions Appeals 3/ Thursday 23rd June – E.U. Referendum.

London SW Catholic Young Adults is a social group for young Catholics in the diocese that meets every month. Our next drinks evening is on Saturday, 2nd April from 7.30pm at The Alexandra, Wimbledon SW19 7NE. Please visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242.

Still seeking a Secondary School for your child?

St Mary's Catholic High School Croydon has limited spaces available for September 2016. Open Mornings take place on **April 13th & 14th 2016 from 9am to 10am**. To book a place, please e-mail: <u>office@st-maryshigh.croydon.sch.uk</u>

St Mary's achieved Top Third Nationally for pupil progress: "The Catholic values and beliefs run throughout the school." (OFSTED January 2015.)

Confirmation:

Please note that there will be no Confirmations in our parish this year. Please keep any eye out in the newsletter later this year for details of the 2017 programme.

SAINSBURY ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS:

Our Scouts, Cubs, Explorers and Beavers are collecting these vouchers to put towards equipment which they need. A box is available in the porch. Last year enough vouchers were collected to provide several tents. If you are asked if you want vouchers, please say "YES". Thanks to all who have donated their vouchers so far.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE:

The following notice is now displayed on the Sacristy door, and it is most important that all parishioners wishing to enter the sacristy are aware of it and that they adhere to it to the letter:

Please note that there is a change to admittance to the Sacristy. All adults must have prior DBS clearance in order to be in the Sacristy when Altar Servers are present.

Should you require access to the Sacristy, please let Fr Deo, Fr Paul or the Parish Office know.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL YOUTH CLUB!

Grand National Sweepstake – Saturday 9th April. Youth Club Coffee Morning - Sunday 10th April after all morning Masses.

Eddie Sanders, Youth Club Leader writes:-

"I shall be distributing leaflets this weekend detailing the programme for our Youth Club Fundraiser. I ask you to kindly consider supporting this most valuable and indeed rare facility for our young people."

First Holy Communion Programme:

Parents are respectfully asked, when the children's own sessions begin again, to ensure that they collect their children promptly each time at 11:30.

Looking ahead to the end of the programme, we should now like, as per tradition, to ask the parents of children who were on the 2015 programme to help with the **Going Forth party** for this year's children, which is planned for Sunday May 29th 2016. Please contact Teresa on 07742 911152. If you have already put your name down, you will be contacted shortly. Thank you.

A Day with Mary, at St Joseph's, Roehampton, Saturday April 16th. Please see the poster in the porch. Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 19th-26th August 2016. Please see the poster in the porch.

Living Faith: Daily Catholic Devotions for April and May are now available in all porch areas.



The annual Diocesan Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage will take place at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 18th June 2016. If you are celebrating your 1st / 10th/ 25th/ 40th/ 50th/ 60th or longer Wedding Anniversary this year, please give your names as soon as possible. There is a special form provided in the porch. Please enter your details clearly so you can receive a personal invitation to this event from Archbishop Peter Smith.