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Sunday 8th March 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

(Yr A)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Second Sunday of Lent (Yr A)

(Parish Mass Book – Page 155)

6.15pm (Saturday 7th March 2020)

Agnes & Hugh Maguire RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Baby Huxley Beck RIP

(Free Coffee Morning after this Mass)

11.30am Maggie Walsh RIP

4pm Stations of the Cross

& Benediction

5pm Birthday intentions of

Helena Akaadom – Boamah

& Kwame Boadi Tsegah

Second Week of Lent

Monday 9th March 2020

7.30am Mary Boadwah Akaadom RIP

10am William Colleran RIP

Tuesday 10th March 2020

7.30am Ellis Foundation Mass

10am Daryl Desa RIP

Wednesday 11th March 2020

7.30am Salomao Rebello RIP

10am Claudia Escobar RIP

Thursday 12th March 2020

7.30am Thanksgiving –

Teresa Kilgannon

10am Edna Graham RIP and all

her friends, living and dead

Friday 13th March 2020

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Those affected by the Coronavirus

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

8pm Welfare of Archbishop

Emeritus Peter Smith

Saturday 14th March 2020

10am Welfare of Archbishop

Emeritus Peter Smith

Next Sunday 15th March 2020

Third Sunday of Lent (Yr A)

(Parish Mass Book – Page 158 – 164)

6.15pm (Saturday 14th March 2020)

People of the parish

First Scrutiny takes place at this Mass

8.30am Daniel & Julianne Linehan RIP

10am Louis Joseph RIP

11.30am Welfare of Archbishop

Emeritus Peter Smith

(Plainchant Choir singing)

4pm Stations of the Cross

& Benediction

5pm John Durkin RIP

Daily Mass & Prayer

*Mass: Monday – Friday @ 7.30am

*Morning Prayer of the Church:

Monday – Saturday @ 9.15am

*Adoration & Benediction:

Monday – Saturday @ 9.30am

*Mass: Monday – Saturday @ 10am

*Mass: Friday @ 8pm

*Rosary: Monday – Saturday @ 10.30am

*Confessions:

Saturdays, after 10am Mass, until

11am; Then from 5pm to 6pm.

Also in Polish as announced

and at call, when a priest is available.

THANKYOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Collection for last week:

Sunday 23rd February 2020 - £2041.00
*(Including Standing Orders of £750.00***

***NB: this figure is subject to change.)*

You also gave **£998.00** for **Poor Parishes.**

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR CAFOD

Please use the special **CAFOD** envelopes for your donation, or place your money in the basket. Please note that, should you wish to Gift Aid your contribution, it is essential that you use the envelopes supplied by **CAFOD**. Regular Gift Aiders are reminded NOT to use one of their numbered envelopes. **CAFOD** collect Gift Aid on their own behalf.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent at 7.30pm.

Every Sunday in Lent at 4pm,

followed by Benediction.

PLEASE PRAY EARNESTLY FOR ARCHBISHOP PETER SMITH

His Grace Archbishop Peter Smith, who retired just a few months ago, is now very seriously ill and is receiving palliative care. He is very much at peace, and greatly comforted and encouraged by the prayers being said for him

**ADVANCE WARNING THAT
CLOCKS GO FORWARD
OVERNIGHT 28TH – 29TH MARCH,
marking the beginning of British
Summer Time. Please mark your
diaries as a reminder of this.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE CURRENTLY ILL OR HOUSEBOUND

Archbishop Emeritus Peter Smith,
Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,

Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,

Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,

Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie,

Octaviano D'Souza; Reeda D'Souza,

Audrey Draude, Delphine Fernandes,

Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte,

Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco,

Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther,

Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes,

Evelyn Hyland, Baby Scarlett Kurowski,

Joseph Lunn, Elsie McCleave,

James McDonald, Michael Madigan,

Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas,

Ruby Mendez, Mary Meyern,

Sheila Newman, Thomas Pereira,

Sheila Price, Parwar Saib,

Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott,

Elizabeth Scott, Charmaine Shali,

Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail,

Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor,

Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo,

Mary Vassallo, Monica Vergara,

Mary White, Ethelda Williams,

Gail Wilson, Carole Winch,

John Windsor, Charmaine Wise,

Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo,

Tony Zammit.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Michael Fogarty**, late of Abercairn Road, who died on Friday 28th February. His funeral will take place here on Thursday 2nd April at 12.30pm, with Canon Jim Pannett conducting the funeral Mass. Our condolences and prayers as a parish go out to the family.

FREE COFFEE MORNING TODAY

After the 10am Mass today. This is organised by the Social Committee. Do come along and socialise with fellow parishioners before going for lunch.

In the coming week:

Church Cleaning – Group 4 please.

**Monday 9th March – UCM meet
2pm – 4pm behind the sacristy.**

CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

The situation regarding this virus and the advised response to it is changing on a daily basis.

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued guidelines on the subject of Coronavirus. Please observe the NHS instructions on tissues and hand cleansing etc as per the posters in all areas.

Hand sanitiser gel is in short supply. We are attempting to source supplies for the church.

Please provide your own, if you can obtain it, carry it with you and kindly ensure that you use it. As a precautionary measure, with immediate effect, Communion under both kinds here is withdrawn.

All those entering the sanctuary, including Clergy, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, must ensure that they make use of the hand sanitiser gel available. Again, if you have your own, please bring it with you and use it as required.

The Sign of Peace is hereby discontinued.

Please have consideration for others at all times.

If you are suffering from any symptoms, and if in any doubt whatsoever, please stay at home and seek medical advice. You can call NHS by phoning 111.

As a precautionary measure, we have removed all our Holy Water Stoups. Please take any rubbish home with you. On no account should any food items or soiled nappies be deposited in normal bins. Please don't be alarmed. There is no need for panic.

Please click on the link below for information.

<http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/media/advice-for-parishes-regarding-coronavirus-V2ab.pdf>

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION – EASTER ROTA

Please would you kindly come forward this week with your availability for the period from and including Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.

Please do not leave this until the last minute.

A short rota will cover the last two weeks of April.

CONFIRMATION 2020

Session 3, 'Gifts of the Holy Spirit' this Wednesday 11th March at BTG School from 7.30pm to 9pm.

<https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/confirmation-blog-2020.html>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Session 8, "Fruit of the Vine" this Saturday 14th March from 10am – 11am at BTG School.

<https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/eucharistic-preparation.html>

IRISH NIGHT – NEXT SATURDAY 14TH MARCH

Entry is by ticket only at £20.00, from the Parish Office, or contact Maureen O'Donoghue on 07958 988959.

Both meat and vegetarian options will be available.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Preparations continue for the Dinner Dance this spring.

Please donate raffle prizes via the Parish Office.

Details about this grand parish event will follow in due course. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to support this undertaking by the Social Committee.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Archdiocese of Southwark is advertising for a Marriage Tribunal Administrator and a Safeguarding Office Administrator. Please see: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

RCIA – THE JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER

Our RCIA members, whom we now refer to as **The Elect**, following the recent Rite of Election at St George's Cathedral, are **Nicholas, Claire, Aurelien and Hiwot**.

The Elect continue their preparation to become Catholics with the 'Scrutinies', which will take place as follows:

Saturday March 14th – First Scrutiny at the 6.15pm Mass;

Sunday March 22nd – Second Scrutiny at the 8.30am Mass;

Sunday March 29th – Third Scrutiny at the 11.30am Mass.

Please pray for the elect and for those who are preparing them to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter.

SPECIAL DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEXT SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2020

Sacred Heart Catholic School, Camberwell New Road, London SE5 0RP on Saturday 14th March 2020.

All Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are welcome to attend. Please book via the Parish Office.

BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES THROUGHOUT LENT

Bible study thus far has proved very popular, with many parishioners having availed themselves of this opportunity to explore the Catholic Faith in greater depth.

Father Tomasz will continue to lead sessions on the theme of 'Salvation History – The Faithfulness of the Merciful God' on Monday evenings at 7.30pm until 6th April.

Or you may choose to come on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm until 1st April, with a final afternoon session before Easter on Tuesday 7th April, (instead of Wednesday) also at 2pm.

All sessions will be held in the Retro Chapel. Please bring a Bible with you, preferably the RSV edition. By all means come equipped to make notes. Bible Study will continue after Easter.

UNCLAIMED PHOTOGRAPHS

Would the following kindly come and collect and pay for the Confirmation and First Holy Communion photographs they ordered, so that we can reimburse our photographer:

Annobil; Cranwell, Desira; Gloucester-Troirra, Migliardi, Muthy, Odusanya, Premph, Smith, Venereau.

A DAY WITH MARY – FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 14th March – Addiscombe parish

Saturday 21st March – New Malden parish

Please see posters in the porch for full details.

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE WORD

English Martyrs, Streatham, Saturday 28th March.

A day with Jesus through the eyes of St Matthew's Gospel led by Fr Richard Ounsworth, OP. The day commences at 10.30am and finishes at 3pm. Please bring your Bible and a packed lunch.

To attend this event, please register at: streatham@rcaos.org.uk

ADORATION ON FIRST FRIDAYS

It is most important that, during adoration, there should always be at least two people present in front of the Blessed Sacrament. We should therefore like to establish a rota for each First Friday.

We shall be putting out sign-up sheet a week before each First Friday, and would ask people to kindly put their names down to cover timeslots of 30 minutes each.