

**SOUTHWARK JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION SPRING ASSEMBLY**  
**'Tackling Poverty in the Diocese'**

You are invited to the Southwark JPIC Spring Assembly which will be held on **Saturday 18 May** at St Mary's (Our Lady of Reparation), 70 Wellesley Road, West Croydon, starting with Mass at 10.00am and finishing at 4.00pm. Please bring lunch. Teas and coffees provided. Further details on church notice board. All are welcome.

**YOGA CLASSES** at St Christopher's are continuing on Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings; they are proving to be an enjoyable setting for healthy exercise and socialising. Please contact Iole ([iole.beattie@yahoo.com](mailto:iole.beattie@yahoo.com)) if you are interested.

**ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?**

Newcomers to the parish are always very welcome and are invited to take an 'Are you new to our parish?' leaflet from the front porch of the church and complete and return the enclosed form.

**PARKING FOR PARISHIONERS**

Our car park is relatively small and we ask parishioners to park neatly in the marked bays and avoid blocking cars in, parking in the spaces reserved for disabled badge holders and across the entrance to the church.

The cooperation of all is much appreciated.

**CATHOLIC PUBLICATIONS**, including the UK's two Catholic newspapers, The Catholic Universe and The Catholic Times, and the Diocesan newspaper, The Pilgrim, are on sale in the front porch of the church. Please place correct money in the 'Newspapers' box.

**PILGRIMAGES** to Lourdes (25 May—2 June), The Holy Land (3—11 September) and Poland (10—17 October). For further information call Mrs Richarde Mozzi on 020 8472 0843 or 07859 027301.

**ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE SHOP—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are still very much needed to help in the shop in Cheam any morning or afternoon, except Monday, and particularly on Friday. Please contact Karen McIlroy on 020 8643 9326.

**APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.

# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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**Diocesan Website:**  
[www.rcsouthwark.co.uk](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk)



## NEWSLETTER

**12 May 2019**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)**

- Sat 18 May** **Saturday Social Circle** Meet at 12.30pm in the tea room in Whitehall  
First Holy Communion Class & **First Reconciliation** 4.15pm
- 18/19 May** **FINANCE WEEKEND** Publication of parish accounts
- Tue 21 May** **First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting** 8.00pm in the church
- Fri 24 May** **St Christopher's Craft Circle** 10.30am—12.30pm
- Weekly** **Wed** **Toddler Group** 9.45—11.15am (term time)  
**Fri** **Coffee in the hall after 9.00am Mass**  
**Sun** **10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy**  
**Refreshments in the hall after Mass**

**12 May 2019**      **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)**

Sat	11	1800	Eileen Sullivan RIP Anniversary (Kevin Sullivan)
Sun	12	0830	Thomas Joyce RIP (S & K Joyce)
		1000	People of the Parish
		1200	Mary & Michelle Moody RIP (Moody Family)
Mon	13	1000	Conchita Bover RIP (Charlotte Burke)
Tue	14	0900	<b>Saint Matthias, Apostle, Feast</b> Mary, Patrick & Tom Joyce RIP (W & M Joyce)
Wed	15		<i>No Mass</i>
Thu	16	0900	<b>Saint Simon Stock, Priest, Memorial</b> Wellbeing of Patricia Connors (Margaret & Kevin Hill)
Fri	17	0900	Bridget Eggs RIP (John Eggs & Family)
Sat	18	1030-1100) 1700-1730)	Sacrament of Reconciliation

**19 May 2019**      **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)**

Sat	18	1800	Lucinda Gouveia RIP Anniversary
Sun	19	0830	Felisa Vilar RIP (Joe Valdes & Family)
		1000	People of the Parish
		1200	Patrick Morrissey RIP (Mary Ayres)

<b>LAST SUNDAY</b>	Attendance	515
	Plate	<b>£ 429.91</b>
	Gift Aid	<b>£ 641.61</b>
		<b>£1,071.52</b>

**Gift Aid** by standing order—April    **£2,225.50**

*Thank you for your offerings.*

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR ECCLESIASTICAL EDUCATION**

This collection helps to meet the cost of training students for the priesthood and the permanent diaconate. It also supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Gill Atkin, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Jim Carbery, Patricia Connors, Basil Cousins, Carmel Curtis, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Evelyn Frost, Hilda Gill, Bob Green, Sean Healy, John Hickey, Umberto Inostroza, Margaret Jones, Larry Keany, Patrick Kennedy, Indira Louis, Michael McKenna, Michael Moores, Ivan Pedropillai, Leslie Pinto, Stella Snell, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Christopher Vaughan, Nickii Wright and one other parishioner.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS****Message from Archbishop Peter Smith**

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Please particularly pray this week that those God our Father is calling to ministry in the Church may have the listening ear to discern that call. This is the first step on a journey, but obviously not the last. Pope Francis has entitled his Vocations Day message this year *“The courage to take a risk for God’s promise”*, as responding to our ‘Vocational Call’ from God can be a risky venture; as we must let go and trust in Him. That promise, the Gospel Good News, needs all Christian people to bear it to the world, but especially those in Holy Orders and the Religious Life.

**PARISH ROTAS**

As parishioners are aware, the parish is running short of volunteers on the many rotas which contribute immeasurably to the life of the parish. In particular, Ministers of the Eucharist and readers are needed.

Please consider volunteering for these roles or to help on one of the many other rotas.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS** are invited to collect a copy of the new rota, which starts on the weekend of 25/26 May, from the sacristy.

**SATURDAY SOCIAL CIRCLE**

The next meeting of the Circle (for those who live alone) is on **Saturday 18 May**. Meet up at 12.30pm in the tea room in Whitehall (entrance free), having been to the Cheam Charter Fair under your own steam beforehand.

**MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP MEETING**

The next meeting of the monthly Prayer group is on **Monday 20 May** from 8.00—9.00 pm. at St Cecilia's, North Cheam, 101 Stonecot Hill, Sutton SM3 9HN. All are welcome.

**CELEBRATING A SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?**

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ wedding anniversary, you are invited to St George’s Cathedral at 3.00pm on **Saturday 13 July** for a special Mass celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony, with refreshments afterwards. Places are limited, so to make sure of your personal invitation from Archbishop Peter Smith, please email [mflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk) with your full names, address, phone number, parish and the special anniversary you are celebrating this year. Close family are welcome to come with you.