

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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LONDON SW CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP for Catholic adults living, working or staying in London will meet next on **Sunday 1 March** for 10.30am sung Latin Mass at St James Spanish Place W1U 3QY, followed by a walk in Regent's Park and lunch at Pizza Express Baker Street at 2.00pm. If attending please contact Andrew Law on 07787231798. We aim to visit a different parish church each month; please join us in exploring new parishes and making new friends. Please contact us on our Facebook page or londoncatholicsocial@gmail.com

FIRST FRIDAY MASS, HEALING OF THE SICK, PRAYER, ADORATION & CONFESSION
Fr Anthony Uche welcomes all to participate in the First Friday of the month programme on **Friday 6 March** at St Margaret's, Carshalton Beeches, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (11.00am—12 noon); Confession followed by Benediction from 12 noon; 12.30pm Mass (For the sick and Private intentions); Anointing of the sick. This will take place on the first Friday of every month.

AN HCPT PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES is unlike any other and can bring healing to those who are troubled and great reward to those who provide the practical, physical and social help to support the care needs of the Group. Fr Luke's 2020 HCPT Group will travel on 25 September—2 October this year, staying in Hosanna House, which is fully equipped to meet the needs of the disabled. We invite elderly or disabled people or children, to join us in our pilgrimage to Lourdes. We also need able bodied helpers, both male and female, to assist us with the Group. The Pilgrimage week is very special and always leaves us feeling inspired and uplifted. Please see the church notice board for further information or www.hcpt.org.uk
The annual Reunion of the Group will be held at Holy Family Church, Sorrento Road, Sutton Green SM1 1QT, starting with Mass at 2.00pm on **Saturday 4 April**. Anyone who has been to Lourdes with us before, or who is interested in making a pilgrimage to Lourdes this year is invited to come. To find out more, please contact the Group leaders: Sandra Allen (020 8395 5462), Manus Finnerty (020 8669 5265) or Father Luke (020 8642 3863).

FULLY ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, IRELAND, celebrating the feast of St Patrick. Full details on church notice boards. Contact Patricia 01268 762278, 07740175557, email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

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.

NEWSLETTER

23 February 2020

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

- Tue, Thu & Fri** Mass is at 9.30am (for a trial period)
- Mon 24 Feb** First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting 8.00pm
- Wed 26 Feb** **ASH WEDNESDAY** Mass at **9.00am & 8.00pm**
- Fri 28 Feb** **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** after 9.30am Mass
St Christopher's Craft Circle 10.30am—12.30pm
- Wed 4 Mar** **St Christopher's Craft Circle** 7.00—9.00pm
- Fri 6 Mar** **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** 10.30am Service at
The Salvation Army Hall, 45 Benhill Avenue, Sutton
CAFOD Lent Fast Day
- Mon 9 Mar** **Restart a Heart** (CPR demonstration session) 7.30pm
- Sat 21 Mar** **Lent Writing Workshop** 10.30am-12.30pm in the hall
ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION 9.30am—2.00pm
Holy Family Church, Sutton Green
- Wed)** **Toddler Group** 9.45—11.15am (term time)
- Fri) Weekly** Coffee in the hall after 9.30am Mass
- Sun)** **10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy**
Refreshments in the hall after Mass

23 February 2020 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

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| Sat | 22 | 1800 | Kathleen Loughlin RIP Anniversary (Loughlin Family) |
| Sun | 23 | 0830 | William Joyce RIP (Marie Grant) |
| | | 1000 | People of the Parish |
| | | 1200 | Gladys McGrath RIP Anniversary (Mulligan Family) |
| Mon | 24 | 1000 | Holy Souls (Emilia Koharic) |
| Tue | 25 | 0930 * | Martin & Mary O'Brien RIP (Sheila Cooper) |
| Wed | 26 | | ASH WEDNESDAY |
| | | 0900 | Patrick & Betty Byrne RIP (Mary Parsons) |
| | | 2000 | People of the Parish |
| Thu | 27 | 0930 * | Indra Pedopillai RIP (Indira & Edmund Louis) |
| Fri | 28 | 0930 * | Bernard Peacock RIP (Granat Family) |
| | | 1000 | STATIONS OF THE CROSS |
| Sat | 29 | 1030-1100 | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | | 1115 | BAPTISM: Niamh Anne Gillian Lucas |
| | | 1700-1730 | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | | * | Please note Mass time |

1 March 2020 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

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| Sat | 29 | 1800 | Fredrick & James Culbert RIP (Philomena Culbert & Family) |
| Sun | 1 | 0830 | Ivan Pedopillai's Intentions |
| | | 1000 | Winifred Brennan RIP Anniversary (Teresa Hobbs & Family) |
| | | 1200 | People of the Parish |

LAST SUNDAY

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| Attendance | 442 |
| Plate | £ 382.72 |
| Gift Aid | £ 603.77 |
| | £ 986.49 <i>Thank you for your offerings.</i> |

COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR POOR PARISHES

Formerly the Needs of the Diocese collection, this collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the diocese.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Gill Atkin, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Jim Carbery, Basil Cousins, Carmel Curtis, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Evelyn Frost, Hilda Gill, Sean Healy, John Hickey, Umberto Inostroza, Margaret Jones, Patrick Kennedy, Indira Louis, Michael McKenna, Michael Moores, Ivan Pedopillai, Emilia Pell, Leslie Pinto, Catherine Thompson, Denis Vaughan, Christopher Vaughan and Nickii Wright.

LENT STARTS this week on **Ash Wednesday**, a day of fasting and abstinence. Ashes will be distributed at the 9.00am and 8.00pm Masses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held on Fridays during Lent after the 9.30am Mass.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2020—FRIDAY 6 MARCH

Women, men and children of all ages are called to 'Rise, take your mat and walk' to join this day of prayer. Women of Zimbabwe have prepared this year's service and they encourage us all to reflect on the difficulties and unrest that have plagued their country over many years. They share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future.

All are warmly invited to a World Day of Prayer Service at The Salvation Army Hall, 45 Benhill Avenue, Sutton SM1 4DD at 10.30am on **Friday 6 March**.

RESTART A HEART—CPR DEMONSTRATION SESSION - MONDAY 9 MARCH

Restart a Heart Day is an annual event to teach as many people as possible the life saving skill of CPR. A volunteer from the St John Ambulance Brigade will hold a demonstration session in the parish hall on **Monday 9 March** at 7.30pm. All parishioners are welcome. It would be helpful to get an idea of numbers, so please email or phone the parish office if you wish to attend

WRITING WORKSHOP—WRITING THE LENTEN PATH

10.30am—12.30pm on Saturday 21 March at St Christopher's Parish Hall

Why not carve out a little time and space to explore some Lenten themes through different kinds of writing? No expertise is needed as you write for yourself, sharing only if you wish to, in this creative, reflective and supportive environment. If you are interested, please contact Violet De Souza (violet.de@blueyonder.co.uk).

ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION—SATURDAY 21 MARCH

This Annual Day, organised by Sutton Deanery, is for all ministers and parishioners and will take place at Holy Family Church, Sutton Green, starting with Mass at 9.30am and finishing at 2.00pm. This year has been declared the Year of The Word and Fr Victor Darlington BTh, SSL, STD will speak on the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome.

NOTRE DAME SOUTHWARK REUNION—SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2020

All Notre Dame old girls (Southwark and Battersea) are welcome to this reunion day from 10.00am—4.15pm, with Mass and lunch. Please email Patricia White (pw@spaceff.com) if you would like to come.