

ST CHRISTOPHER'S TODDLER GROUP

Our very friendly well established Toddler Group meets on Wednesday mornings between 9.45—11.15 am in term time. The cost per session is £1.50 for one child, £2 for two or more. A cup of tea/coffee for adults, drinks for the children and biscuits are included. Activities are updated every week and each session finishes with a lively singalong. There is currently no waiting list. Everyone is welcome—just come along.

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE GAP YEAR PEER MINISTRY TEAM

The Southwark Catholic Youth Service (SCYS) is currently recruiting for their volunteer gap year team for September 2019. This a unique opportunity to live and work in a Christian community at St Vincent's, the SCYS Retreat Centre in Whitstable, sharing your faith with other young people through group work, prayer, art, drama, games and music.

Open to those aged 18—25. For more details email syys@rcaos.org.uk

STANDING TOGETHER RALLY—SATURDAY 6 APRIL 2 - 4 PM

You are invited to join Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, London City Mission and others in Trafalgar Square for a rally of solidarity in order to stand together with families and communities who have suffered the impact of serious violent crime. This is one way in which the Church can demonstrate its compassion and desire to see the end of this serious issue that has particularly affected London. For further information visit: www.ascensiontrust.org.uk

ST PHILOMENA'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS—VACANCIES

Examination Invigilators are required to invigilate public examinations at the school, to work as part of a pool of Examination Invigilators on an ad-hoc basis, as required by the school. The majority of hours would be worked in mid-May—June annually.

A **Midday Supervisor** is needed to join the lunchtime team at the school to supervise and guide the students during the lunch period.

For details of these posts, please see the church notice board, or email recruitment@stphils.org.uk, contact the HR Officer on 020 8642 2025 or visit the school website: www.stphils.org.uk/join-us/vacancies

CHURCH CLEANING—MORE HELPERS NEEDED

We are very short of helpers on the church cleaning rota. Would you be willing to join a small group to dust and vacuum the church on a Thursday or Friday morning for an hour or so after Mass just once every six weeks? If you would like to help keep our church looking bright and clean, or find out more about what is involved, please speak to Vivienne in the parish office.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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NEWSLETTER

31 March 2019



Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

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| Mon 1 Apr | Parish Council Meeting 8.00pm |
| Wed 3 Apr | St Christopher's Craft Circle 7.00—9.00pm |
| Fri 5 Apr | Parish Office Closed STATIONS OF THE CROSS after 9.00am Mass |
| Mon 8 Apr | Parish Office Closed |
| Fri 12 Apr | STATIONS OF THE CROSS after 9.00am Mass 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 |

31 March 2019 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

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| Sat | 30 | 1800 | Charlie Stephens RIP Anniversary (Mary Kirwan & Family) |
| Sun | 31 | 0830 | People of the Parish |
| | | 1000 | Winifred Brennan RIP (Hobbs Family) |
| | | 1200 | Alison Hind RIP (Patricia O'Callaghan & Pat Hanoman) |
| Mon | 1 | 1000 | Lynne Ward RIP & Jimmy McGrane RIP |
| Tue | 2 | 0900 | Ivan Pedropillai's Intentions |
| Wed | 3 | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Thu | 4 | 0900 | Maura & Bernadette Byrne RIP Anniversary (Philomena Culbert & Family) |
| Fri | 5 | 0900 | Patsy Cunningham RIP (Roger & Ann Eddleston) |
| | | 0930 | STATIONS OF THE CROSS |
| Sat | 6 | 1030-1100) | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | | 1700-1730) | |

7 April 2019 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

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| Sat | 6 | 1800 | Michael, Mary & Patrick Mollahan RIP & Bridget, Hugh & Sean Kiernan RIP |
| Sun | 7 | 0830 | Benita Gregory & Family In Thanksgiving |
| | | 1000 | People of the Parish |
| | | 1200 | Clementine Nasser RIP (May Nadir) |

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| LAST SUNDAY | Attendance | 568 |
| | Plate | £ 520.12 |
| | Gift Aid | £ 675.58 |
| | | £1,195.70 |

Thank you for your offerings.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARISH GIFT AID SCHEME

The new boxes of Gift Aid envelopes are available for collection again this weekend. If you haven't done so already, please collect your box from the back of the church. Even if you contribute by standing order, please take your box of envelopes for use in second and special collections.

'THE PASSAGE' APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

Andrew Hollingsworth is making a special appeal at all Masses this weekend on behalf of The Passage, the charity that helps homeless people transform their lives.

A retiring collection will be taken for The Passage. Parish Gift Aid donors may wish to use one of their spare envelopes, writing 'The Passage' on the front.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:

Peter Barry, whose Requiem Mass is on Monday 8 April at 11.30am at The Sacred Heart Church, Edge Hill, Wimbledon. Please remember his wife Pauline in your prayers at this time.

Lionel Potter, and please remember his family in your prayers at this time. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 12 April at 12.30pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Gill Atkin, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Jim Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, 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, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter, Christopher Vaughan, Nickii Wright and one other parishioner.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES CARDS

Please take one of the cards giving details of the liturgies during Holy Week and Easter from the back of the church or the side porch.

MUSICAL EVENING

The Social Committee would like to thank all the parishioners who came to the Musical Evening on Monday - and for their enthusiastic participation! They would also like to thank Joe Valdes for an enjoyable and thoroughly entertaining evening: a great performance of two halves leaving the audience wanting more.

The event also raised £360 for the Nomntu Project which is greatly appreciated.

THE BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF MINSTER ABBEY, near Ramsgate, are organising a "Come and See" weekend at the Abbey on 12—14 April. This weekend gives young women an opportunity to learn about and have an experience of the contemplative life. There will be time to meet and talk with the Benedictine Sisters in a relaxed environment and to join them in their work and prayer. To find out more visit the website: www.minsterabbeynuns.org or contact by email: sraelrederwin@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.