

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR 2024

The All Nations Catholic Charismatic Group (ANCCG) invites parishioners to 'Life in the Spirit Seminar' weekly programme from **Sunday 7 April until Sunday 2 June** at **St Andrews Catholic Church, Thornton Heath, Croydon**. The programme consists of talks every Sunday 7.00—9.00 pm helping participants to be ignited with the power of the Holy Spirit. Please see the poster on church notice boards for further information.

ANNUAL MASS—LONDON MIGRANT WORKERS 6TH MAY 2024 1230PM

Held in honour of St Joseph the worker this will be held at St George's Cathedral, London SE1 6HR. The Mass is hosted by the three London Catholic Diocese, supported by the Justice and Peace Commission and Ethnic Chaplaincies, Caritas Brentwood and London Citizens UK in celebration of all the people who live, work and contribute to life across our city.

FORMATION FAYRE AMIGO HALL ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL 8TH JUNE

An enriching day of faith development with Archbishop John Wilson as the keynote speaker. With the theme 'Made for More' this is an opportunity to deepen your understanding of Catholicism with an enriching day of faith development. To register please visit: aec.rcaos.org.uk

EPISCOPAL VICAR AND BISHOP GROUP SECRETARY VACANCY

This role is to provide admin support to three clergy. You must be adaptable and manage priorities. Excellent IT skills; email, databases, finance systems, social media, websites, Teams/Zoom and research/analytic software. Some evenings and weekends. 35 hours per week. It is a hybrid role with office based work in London (SE1) and travel across London/South East. Salary £30,000-£33,000 p.a. dependant on skills and experience. To apply send your Cover Letter and CV to hr@rcaos.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING:

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. Further safeguarding information can be found on the parish website. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: Kim O'Brien (07711 757399) & Angela Pitcher (07818 516321).

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www.stchristopherscheam.com

Deanery Website:

www.suttondeanery.weebly.com

Diocesan Website:

www.rcsouthwark.co.uk



NEWSLETTER

5 May 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

USUAL MASS TIMES:	SATURDAY (VIGIL MASS)	6.00 PM
	SUNDAY	10.00 AM & 12.00 NOON
	MON, TUE, THU & FRI	10.00 AM

SYRO-MALABAR EASTERN RITE LITURGICAL SERVICE:	SUNDAY	2.00 PM - 5.00 PM
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:	SATURDAY WEEKDAYS	10.30 - 11.00 AM & 5.00 - 5.45 PM BEFORE 10.00 AM MASS
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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:	MON, TUE, THU & FRI	9.00 AM
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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD:	THURSDAY 9TH MAY	8.00 PM
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SATURDAY 4TH MAY	THE MARRIAGE OF KYLE AND MEGAN 1PM
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MONDAY 6TH MAY	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
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5 MAY 2024**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)**

Sat	4	6.00 pm	Olive O'Reilly RIP
Sun	5	10.00 am	People of the Parish
		12.00 noon	Kathleen O'Halloran RIP - Anniversary
Mon	6	No mass	Bank Holiday
Tue	7	10.00 am	Margaux Blanc RIP
Thu	9		THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, Solemnity, Holyday of Obligation
		10.00 am	Hilda Gill RIP—1st Anniversary
		8.00 pm	People of the Parish
Fri	10	10.00 am	Violet and Joseph Ash RIP

12 May 2024**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)**

Sat	11	6.00 pm	Teddy Loughlin RIP - Anniversary
Sun	12	10.00 am	Joe Hennessy RIP
		12.00 noon	People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH and remember their carers in your prayers.

10.00 AM MASS THIS SUNDAY:

Sung mass today. The children are invited to go out for their own Liturgy of the Word today.

Please note that Children's Liturgy is subject to change and a poster will be displayed on the day to confirm if it is going ahead.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

Thank you to everyone who supports the parish through collections, standing orders, Gift Aid and online donations. We are grateful to all who have switched their weekly offerings from cash to monthly standing orders or bank transfers. For the parish bank details go to www.stchristopherscheam.com and select Info—Financial Support. Information about the GIFT Aid scheme is available from the Parish Office.

NOTICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARISH GIFT AID SCHEME

There is still a large number of the new Gift Aid envelopes awaiting collection from the front porch of the church. Please take yours even if you donate by standing order or bank transfer so that you can use the envelopes provided for Diocesan collections, Christmas and Easter offerings.

MASS FOR THOSE SITTING EXAMS —4TH MAY 2024

As we approach exam time and at Mass on Saturday 4th May we will remember in a special way those sitting GCSEs and A Levels along with University exams, SATS and other assessments. Sitting exams can be a challenging time for students and their families - we invite you to take some time to disconnect from preparations and study by coming to Mass and praying for yourself and others. The whole Parish will be joining you in prayer and support.

PRAYER FOR EXAM TIME

Lord, be with me as I begin my exams, help me to think clearly, to be calm and to express my answers accurately. Help me realise that you are with me throughout my life and with your Spirit to guide me so I may reach my full potential. **Amen.**

CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION FOR RACIAL JUSTICE (CARJ) 40TH ANNIVERSARY

25th May 10.30 - 3.30 Amigo Hall St George's Cathedral SE1 7HY. A day of talks and discussion with lunch and Mass. Talks include 'Love the Stranger' by the Sutton Deanery Refugee Community Sponsorship Group. CARJ is a black-led, independent organisation where ethnic minorities can find support and people of all backgrounds can work together for racial justice. CARJ is also working in schools delivering workshops on racial justice, training youth ambassadors and supporting black and minority ethnic young people.

DIVINE MERCY RECOLLECTION DAY - SATURDAY 1ST JUNE 2024

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Reflection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, from 11 am to 4:30 pm. It will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria. Contact Millie Fernandez on 07957594646 for more details.

CATHEDRAL MASS CELEBRATING MARRIAGE - 13th JULY 2024

For those celebrating 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark at 3pm on 13th July. Close family members can also attend. For a personal invitation from Archbishop John contact: www.mflsw@rcaos.org.uk with your name, address, phone number, anniversary to be celebrated and parish by **31st May.**