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Sunday 25th February 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 25th February 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B CLERGY SUPPORT FUND COLLECTION 6.15pm (Saturday 24th February 2024)

Mike & Jean Mooney 60th Wedding Anniversary

8.30am People of the parish

(Coffee after this Mass)

10am Thanksgiving - Susan D'Souza (Coffee after this Mass)

11.30am Teresa Stenson RIP

(Hymn Choir)

(Coffee after this Mass)

4pm Stations of the Cross

5pm Mathias & Celsa Menezes 29th Wedding Anniversary

Second Week of Lent

Monday 26th February 2024 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Josuifine Kelly RIP

Tuesday 27th February 2024 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Deceased members of the

Buckley family (Foundation Mass)

Wednesday 28th February 2024 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Sandra Hamilton Bentes RIP

Thursday 29th February 2024 (Feria)

7.30am For the return of lapsed Catholics

10am Requiem for Pamela Joyce

First Friday 1st March 2024 (Feast) Saint David, Bishop, Patron of Wales

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Wellbeing of Kim Allen

Then Adoration until Benediction at 2pm

7pm – 9pm Youth Club in the hall

Saturday 2nd March 2024 (Feria)

10am Wellbeing of Frank

& Rose McHugh

Sunday 3rd March 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B CAFOD LENTEN FAST DAY COLLECTION

6.15pm (Saturday 2nd March 2024)

Mary Davin RIP

8.30am For peace in the Holy Land

10am Phyllis DeLuse RIP

11.30am Intentions of Romano Ippoliti

(Polyphony Choir)

4pm Stations of the Cross 5pm People of the parish

NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

*Mass: Monday to Friday 7.30am; Monday - Saturday: 10am;

*Confession: Saturday, after 10am Mass, until 11.30am then from 5pm - 6pm.

*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm); 8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm.

Adoration & Benediction:

Mon – Sat 9.30am

(First Friday after 10am Mass until 2pm)

*Rosary: Monday - Saturday after 10am Mass

Stations of the Cross: Sunday 4pm throughout Lent

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, THOSE UNDERGOING TREATMENT & THOSE WHO ARE HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane.

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Agnes Buckley, Philip Chapman, Gerard Cowie,

Jean Cowie, John DeWaal, Audrey Draude,

Terry Folorunso, Giovanni Franco, Daniel Furtado, Rachel Gadd,

Michael Goodwin: Anna Harris.

Agnes Healy, Fr Michael Jones, Terry Jupp, Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski,

Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Andrew McMillan,

Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern,

Elsy Mickle, Thomas Pereira, Terezinha Po, Sheila Price, Angel Rojas,

Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Peter Sequeira.

Christine Shaughnessy, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Ivete Vaz,

Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu, Mary White, Ethelda Williams,

Carole Winch, John Windsor,

Charmaine Wise, Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ, Georgette Yoo Foo.

FUNERAL DETAILS

The funeral of Margaret McSharry

will take place here on Thursday 7th March 2024 at 11.30am.

SUNDAY MASS COVER

We welcome today.

Fr Peter Morris CSsR

from St Mary's Clapham, who will be saying our 10am & 11.30am Masses in Father Paul's absence.

FREE COFFEE MORNING TODAY

After all morning Masses. Led by our Church Cleaning Team. Please speak to any of their members if you would like to join them in cleaning God's House each week. We also really need more Coffee Morning helpers going forward. If you would like to volunteer to help in some way with future coffee mornings, in particular setting up and clearing away, please speak to a member of the team or leave your details with the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The First Reconciliation Service

will take place on

Wednesday 28th February at 6pm. Details as per programme schedule. The next session, for children only, will take place on Saturday 2nd March 2024 at St James the Great School from 10am – 11am. Details as per

programme schedule. All children must be registered in the

Sacristy at Mass on Sundays... More dedicated catechists are required for future years, both for First Holy **Communion and Confirmation. Please** contact Fr Deo. Deacon Ged or Teresa

Furtado if you are interested in volunteering your help.

RECENT COLLECTION

18th February 2024 Basket: £1119.40:

Gift Aid: £397.00; Non G/A: £722.40

SAFEGUARDING

Whenever our Safeguarding Representative, Teresa Furtado, is, unavailable, any Safeguarding issues may be raised with either Father Deo, the Parish Office or by calling the Archdiocesan Safeguarding office on 020 7261 1606.

> ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WHY IS THIS PRACTICE SPREADING TO SO MANY PARISHES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK? FIND OUT ON THE WEEKEND OF 9TH & 10TH MARCH 2024!

THE SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You,

who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully.

We ask this through Christ, Your son,

the Eternal High Priest. Amen. THE SEASON OF LENT

CAFOD Lenten Fast Day – 23rd February 2024
Palm Sunday – 24th March 2024;
Parish Day of Penitence – 26th March 2024
Chrism Mass at St George's Cathedral – 27th March 2024
Maundy Thursday - 28th March 2024;
Good Friday - 29th March 2024;
Holy Saturday - 30th March 2024;
Easter Sunday – 31st March 2024

ST JAMES THE GREAT CAFOD BIG LENT WALK

Please support St James the Great School in their efforts to raise money for CAFOD during Lent.

You can donate using the following link: St James the Great's Big Lent Walk is fundraising for CAFOD

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

The collection for the Lent Fast Day takes place next Sunday 3rd March 2024. Special envelopes are available.

A reminder to Gift Aiders that you should not use envelopes from your boxes. Anybody may Gift Aid their contribution, regardless of whether or not they belong to our Gift Aid Scheme. Please follow the instructions given.

SVP

A special shout out from the SVP to our recently Confirmed young people who raised the amazing sum of £430.00 for the SVP during their formation programme. This is a great example of helping those in need, for which our Confirmands are to be congratulated!

CLERGY SUPPORT FUND SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY

The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much.

They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones.

Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have done for parishes.

You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible, find out how to donate to the Clergy Support Fund at www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF or scan QR code below.

You can also donate via telephone office hours Mon-Fri

020 7960 2504 or by using the Clergy Support Fund envelopes available today at the back of Church.

Please continue to keep our Priests in your prayers.

Whilst Gift Aiders may use the special envelopes in their packs, everyone is encouraged to use the specially printed envelopes provided by the Archdiocese of Southwark. You may also use those envelopes to Gift Aid your contributions, whether or not you belong to the Gift Aid Scheme.

CAFOD LENTEN EMAILS

To sign up for daily Lenten emails, please click on this link: Lent calendar with daily prayers and reflection (cafod.org.uk)

LENTEN TALKS AT ENGLISH MARTYRS, STREATHAM

In response to Archbishop John Wilson's call to provide 'Some Definite Service', these talks will take place on the first three Wednesdays in March 2024. Please see the poster and leaflets in the main porch for full details

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Our next course will take place on Saturdays 20th April and 27th April 2024 at 2.30pm. If you have not attended a course in the past three years, you will need to sign up. You must attend both sessions. Godparents are welcome to attend the second session in particular. Ideally, there should be a Godfather and a Godmother. Where this is not possible, there must be at least one Godparent.

Given the serious supporting role which they play in the Catholic upbringing of children, Godparents must be Baptised, Confirmed Practising Catholics, aged 16 or over.

Otherwise they may only act as Witnesses.

Please pick up a Baptism Details Form from the main porch, complete it and return it to the parish office. A date for Baptism may be chosen upon completion of the course.

Baptisms take place most Sundays of the year at 1pm

PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2024 For the terminally ill:

Let us pray that the sick, who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and support.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the windowsill in the main porch. There are several pairs of spectacles which have been left in recent weeks.

You will also find hats and umbrellas.

We shall have to clear all items if they remain unclaimed by the end of this month. There is also a small maroon coloured shopping trolley near to the Repository.