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Sunday 17th March 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 17th March 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B Second Collection for Poor Parishes MISSIO boxes to be taken in. 6.15pm (Saturday 16th March 2024) Joseph Colairo RIP 8.30am John Joseph Murphy RIP 10am Thanksgiving – Susan D'Souza 11.30am Sheila Price RIP

(Plainchant Choir)

4pm Stations of the Cross 5pm In Thanksgiving - Brylan Dias

Fifth Week of Lent

Monday 18th March 2024 (Feria)

7.30am Thanksgiving – Daniel Furtado 10am Raffaella Forte RIP

Tuesday 19th March 2024 (Feast) SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

7.30am The Holy Souls 10am John Joseph Murphy RIP Wednesday 20th March 2024 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Jack Oliver RIP

Thursday 21st March 2024 (Feria)

7.30am Eamon Gillespie RIP 10am Pietro Mobile RIP

Friday 22nd March 2024 (Feria)

7.30am Fr Gerard Furey RIP

10am Stephen Cowie RIP (12th anniversary)

ADORATION COMMENCES TODAY 7pm – 9pm Youth Club in the hall

Saturday 23rd March 2024 (Feria)

10am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP

Sunday 24th March 2024 PALM SUNDAY OF THE

PASSION OF THE LORD YEAR B

6.15pm (Saturday 23rd March 2024)

Elizabeth Scarpa RIP

(Foundation Mass)

8.30am People of the parish

10am Blaise D'Cunha RIP

11.30am Patricia Ann Gibbons RIP

(Hymn & Plainchant Choirs)

NB: This Mass commences in the hall

4pm Stations of the Cross

With the Polyphony Choir

5pm Intentions of Laurent Dinsart

MISSIO

For information, please contact our MISSIO organiser, Andrea Speranza, on 07984 450517 or email her at andreasperanza884@hotmail.com

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, Mary Gibbs, 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, 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.

FR PAUL IS LEAVING US

Father Paul's last Mass here will be on Easter Sunday. He will then be moving, as directed by the Superior of his order. We thank Fr Paul for his service to this parish over the past year. Our prayers go with him as he moves on. We expect our new Assistant Priest to arrive around the middle of April 2024. More to follow.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next session, for children and parents, will take place on Saturday 23rd March 2024 at St James the Great School from 10am - 11am as per programme. All children must be registered in the Sacristy at Mass on Sundays.

RECENT COLLECTION

10th March 2024 - Basket: £1052.47: Gift Aid: £254.50; Non G/A: 797.97

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a particular date and time for Mass to be offered, then to avoid disappointment, it is recommended that you make your request well in advance.

EASTER CARDS AND OFFERINGS

Please take a Parish Easter Card away with you. It contains Easter greetings from all our clergy, and gives details of every Mass and service from Palm Sunday 24th March 2024 through to Monday 1st April 2024, after which our normal Mass programme resumes. You will also find Easter Offering Envelopes in which to place your personal gift to our priests. If you are a member of our Gift Aid Scheme, please ensure that you write your Gift Aid number clearly in the box provided

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thanks to all those who have so far signed up for Eucharistic Adoration. More than 60 people came forward.

A committee has been formed to ensure that everything runs smoothly. The Co-ordinators will be in touch with all those who have signed up in order to let them know which time slots have been allocated to them. Others are invited to join whenever they can. Adoration commences this coming Friday 22nd March 2024.

We shall commence with 10am Mass and continue until Benediction at 10pm (no adoration before Mass), then every Friday except for Good Friday and throughout the summer holidays.

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.

PARISH DAY OF PENITENCE

This will take place on Tuesday 26th March 2024. At the end of the 10am Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed. Adoration will continue and Confessions will be available throughout the day, closing with Benediction at 7pm. This is a great opportunity to fulfil your Easter obligation. Please bear in mind that there will be no Confessions on Easter Saturday 30th March 2024.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Our next course will take place on Saturdays 20th April and 27th April 2024 at 2.30pm in each case. 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. 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 on most Sundays of the year at 1pm.

SAFEGUARDING

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

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS Good Friday, 29th March 2024 at 12 Noon

We are looking for children to participate in our children's Stations of the Cross, which returns this Good Friday. There are various roles – Primary school children for role play and Secondary school children for readings.

All children taking part must attend the Rehearsal on *Maundy Thursday 28th March at 3.30pm* in the Church. If you wish your child to participate please contact Linda Harries on 07770 623230 or

by email: L.harries@gmail.com before 25th March.

ALTAR SERVING DURING HOLY WEEK

All Altar Servers, are encouraged to sign up to serve from Palm Sunday, then through the Easter Triduum, to the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night and Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. Times of all practices, Masses and services are below:

Palm Sunday

Mass: Sunday 24th March 2024 - 11.30am

Practice: Saturday 23rd March 2024 - 11am

Maundy Thursday

Mass: Thursday 28th March 2024 - 8pm *Practice: Wednesday 27th March 2024 - 7.30pm* Good Friday

Service: Friday 29th March 2024 - 3pm

Practice: Friday 29th March 2024 - 10.30am (same day)

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Mass: Saturday 30th March 2024 – 8.30pm

Practice: Saturday 30th March 2024 - 10.30am (same day)

Practices will last approximately 45 minutes.

It's always great to see so many of our servers

Participating, so please sign up to serve by emailing

norburymc@rcaos.org.uk or via the signup sheet in the

Sacristy - we always need as many Servers as possible!

ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

This takes place on Saturday 27th April 2024 Please see the poster in the porch for details. There will be a coach running from Virgo Fidelis Church, Upper Norwood. Cost £50.00.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Friday 23rd August 2024 to Friday 30th August 2024. Catholic Association Pilgrimage led by Bishop Paul Hendricks. Please see their website: www.catholicassociation.co.uk; You may also email: chiefs@catholicassociation.co.uk;

SOME WORDS OF THANKS

William Desa would like to express his thanks for all the good wishes, gifts, prayers and Masses offered on the occasion of his recent 90th birthday, helping to make it such an enjoyable day!

Teresa and Tino Furtado would like to extend their gratitude to all our lovely family, parishioners and friends for all the love, prayers and support for Daniel, whose recent operation was a huge success. Mass has been offered for you all in thanksgiving.

CAFOD BIG LENT WALK

Please continue to donate to this appeal, supporting St James the Great School in their efforts to raise money for CAFOD on:

St James the Great's Big Lent Walk is fundraising for CAFOD