

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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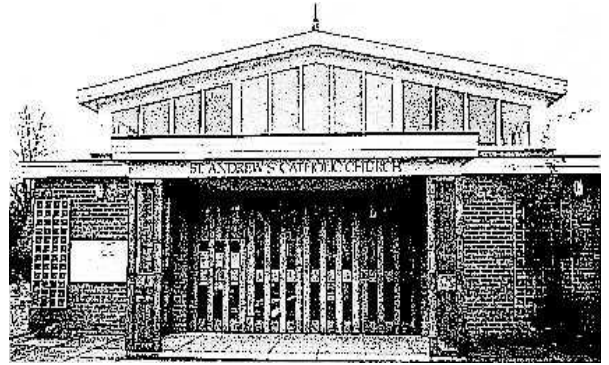
PASTORAL TEAM

Priests: Fr Len Tatt
Fr Francis Nonyelu

Deacons: Rev. Tony Flavin, Rev. Errol Quagraine

Parish Sister: Sr. Jennie Eldridge DMJ

Croydon University Hospital Chaplaincy: Sr. Sheila DMJ



Welcome to St Andrew's RC Church. Worship has been offered here since 1905. You are all very welcome to join in the hymns and other parts of the service as much as possible. Please switch mobile phones off and refrain from taking photographs, filming or recording.

14th April 2019 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (C)

Message from Fr Len

What happens on Easter Sunday changes everything for fallen humanity. Each year when we celebrate Easter we are given opportunity to recognise that fact and respond to God's great act of love. Knowing that God loves us unconditionally, that he has shown that love in the most amazing way and that we have the choice to spend eternity in Heaven, if we respond to that love. We are called by God to be co-heirs of his kingdom, workers in his vineyard to build that kingdom and without our participation things just remain as they are. We spend lent doing something penitential to mark the forthcoming events, but Easter asks us to make those habits permanent. I am not talking about giving up sweets, though to do so might well improve our health, I am talking about daily habits, done with love that make a difference both to us and to those around us. For things to change we have to change, if we don't then of course everything just remains as it is.

We are truly Alleluia people, living with full knowledge of what God has done for us. This fact the Church celebrates all over the World and is marked by the Easter proclamation of the Pope, the world's chief witness of God's wonders, when he proclaims "He is Risen". What Jesus does has truly set us free from sin through his actions during the passion when he loves his enemies even though they persecute him. The crucifixion is God's "No" to sin and the resurrection his "Yes" to Jesus, his Son in whom we will all share eternal glory. We share in that glory by daily simple acts of kindness, showing respect to others working in some capacity in the Church or for charity, telling those around us that we love them or appreciate what they have done or in any way that God calls you to serve. Some of these things are easy to do, the problem is that they are also easy not to do and we just slip back into our old ways and nothing changes. God has done the hard work through his Son, he has shown us the way, he asks today that we rejoice and follow him, not just on a Sunday but in every action, every encounter, every experience that we have. When we can do that then our lives become a living prayer, modelled on Jesus! What better way could we possibly live our lives?

The pastoral team at St Andrew's wishes you all a Happy Easter as we all join in the cry of the Church "He is Risen".

This Sunday's Readings
As Parish Mass Book

Diary for the Week

<p>Sunday 14th April <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i></p> <p><i>Palms blessed and distributed at all Masses</i></p>	<p>6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday</p> <p>9.30am Mass (<i>please gather in hall</i>)</p> <p>11.30am Mass (<i>please gather in hall</i>)</p> <p>5.00pm Rosary</p> <p>5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction</p> <p>6.00pm Mass</p> <p>7.00 – 9.00pm Choir practice</p> <p>7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</p>	<p>Vigil Mass, Parishioners</p> <p>Irene Smith RIP (Anniv) Ogwule Family</p> <p>Special Intention</p>
<p>Monday 15th April <i>Is 42:1-7</i> <i>John 12:1-11</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p> <p>12noon Mass in Hospital</p> <p>7.00pm Parish Penitential Service</p>	<p>Catherine Barrie RIP Ana Rita Fernandes RIP (Anniv)</p>
<p>Tuesday 16th April <i>Is 49:1-6</i> <i>Jn 13:21-33, 36-38</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p> <p>7.00pm R.C.I.C. (rehearsals)</p> <p>7.45pm R.C.I.A. (hall annex)</p>	<p>Isichei Family (Intentions) Anton Benedict RIP (Anniv)</p>
<p>Wednesday 17th April <i>Is 50:4-9</i> <i>Mt 26:14-25</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross</p> <p>7.30pm Legion of Mary (hall)</p>	<p>Fr Huebert Miranda (w/b) Virginia & Valente Athayde RIP</p>
<p>Thursday 18th April <i>Holy Thursday</i> <i>Ex 12:1-8, 11-14</i> <i>Jn 13:1-15</i></p>	<p>9.30am Morning Prayer</p> <p>8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper watching until midnight</p> <p>11.45pm Night Prayer</p>	
<p>Friday 19th April <i>Good Friday</i> <i>Fasting & Abstinence</i> <i>Is 52:13-53:12</i> <i>Jn 18:1-19:42</i></p>	<p>9.30am Morning Prayer</p> <p>10.45am Children's Stations of the Cross</p> <p>12noon Walk of Witness</p> <p>12.30pm CAFOD Lunch (hall)</p> <p>3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday</p> <p>8.00pm Stations of the Cross</p>	
<p>Saturday 20th April <i>Holy Saturday</i> <i>Rom 6:3-11, Luke 24:1-12</i></p>	<p>9.30am Morning Prayer</p> <p>8.30pm Easter Vigil</p>	<p>Parishioners</p>
<p>Sunday 21st April <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i></p>	<p>9.30am Mass</p> <p>11.30am Mass</p> <p>6.00pm Mass</p> <p>7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</p>	<p>Uchechi Duyugbor (Birthday) Madeline Victoire (90th Birthday) Cathy Giraud RIP (Anniv)</p>
<p>Monday 22nd April <i>Easter Monday</i> <i>Acts 2:14, 22-33, Mt 28:8-15</i></p>	<p>10.00am Mass</p>	<p>Anniversary Mass</p>
<p>Tuesday 23rd April <i>Acts 2:36-41</i> <i>Jn 20:11-18</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p>	<p>G. K. G. Fernandes Adrian Freeman RIP (Anniv)</p>
<p>Wednesday 24th April <i>Acts 3:1-10</i> <i>Lk 24:13-35</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p> <p>2.00pm Active Retirement Group</p> <p>7.30pm Legion of Mary (hall)</p>	<p>Maura Tiernan RIP Nese & Family</p>
<p>Thursday 25th April <i>St Mark</i> <i>Acts 3:11-26, Lk 24:35-48</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p> <p>7.00 – 8.30pm Cubs (St James the Great)</p>	<p>A. McCabe Special Intention of C.C.</p>
<p>Friday 26th April <i>Acts 4:1-12, Jn 21:1-14</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass</p> <p>10.00am Mass</p>	<p>Sr. Ancilla D'Souza RIP (Anniv) John & Errol RIP</p>
<p>Saturday 27th April <i>Acts 4:13-21</i> <i>Mk 16:9-15</i></p>	<p>9.30am Mass</p> <p>9.50 – 11.15am First Holy Communion</p> <p>10.00 – 10.30am Confessions</p> <p>5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions</p> <p>6.00pm First Mass of Sunday</p> <p>7.00pm Feast of St George celebration (hall)</p>	<p>Julius Fernandes RIP</p> <p>Myra O'Shea RIP (Anniv)</p>

Sunday 28th April 2nd Sunday of Easter	9.30am	Mass	Joseph Phokeerdoss RIP Holy Souls Parishioners
	11.30am	Mass	
	3.00pm	Mass: Anointing of the sick	
	5.00pm	Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm	Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm	Mass	
	7.00 - 9.00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	

Money Matters	
Collection Last Sunday	£1,322.33
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 700.00</u>
Total offertory	£2,022.33
Second collection Holy Places (Good Friday)	
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

Altar Servers		Church Cleaners
This week Team 3		This week Sancho's Dusters
Next week Team 1		Next week St Jude's Group
Team 2 (28.4.19)		Judie's Crew (1.5.19)

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

CELEBRATION FOR THE FEAST OF ST GEORGE: SATURDAY 27TH APRIL

Tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses. There will be music, a licensed bar and a raffle.

THE CHOIRS

The Choirs will be practicing for the Triduum services tonight 14th April from 7 - 9 pm in the Church. Extra choir members are always welcome. Please contact Mary Cameron 07928 670639.

EASTER TIMETABLE

Parish Penitential Service: Please join us on Monday 15th April at 7.00pm as we will be holding our Parish Penitential Service. This is a great way to prepare for Easter and there will be other Priests available to hear individual confessions.

Children's Stations of the Cross on Good Friday: All children taking part in the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, please come along at 10am to get costumes and be ready. Further info contact Ized 07798 941387 or Bernadette 07729 322571.

Easter Saturday Blessing of food: There will be the Blessing of Food during the 9.30am Morning Prayer. This is a Polish tradition which we very much hope that you will take part in. During Morning Prayer on Easter Saturday, items of food – ham, eggs, bread, are blessed which will be consumed on Easter Sunday.

Good Friday: This is a day of Fasting and Abstinence.

The Good Friday collection is for the Holy Places. The places connected with Our Lord's Passion have always been centres of veneration and pilgrimage. This collection is sent for their upkeep and to help maintain Christian schooling in the area.

The Ecumenical Walk of Witness: Please join us on Good Friday for the Walk starting at the job centre in Thornton Heath High Street at 12 noon. There is an informal walk with the processional cross from St Andrew's Church. We will be joined by congregations from four other local Churches. It is the only ecumenical, public event of the year. This is your opportunity to share with local people the true meaning of Good Friday and show that Christianity is alive and well in Thornton Heath. All are welcome. If you would like to help in the preparations please ring Mary Cameron (0208 689 8360 or 07928 670 639).

Good Friday CAFOD Lunch: Please join us in the hall on Good Friday at 12.30pm for the CAFOD lunch (soup and rolls) after the walk. All proceeds raised will go directly to CAFOD. Everyone is very welcome.

Please collect your Easter card from the porch with all the information about our services for Easter. Also there are the Easter collection envelopes. The Easter collection is for our Priests of the Parish and with the Christmas collection forms the main part of their personal income.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please can all Eucharistic Ministers collect and sign for their Safeguarding Code of Conduct guidelines. This has been issued by the Archdiocese of Southwark Safeguarding Office and it is important that everyone takes a copy to read. Collect your copy and sign your name on the small table outside of the Priest Sacristy.

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY MEETING

The group are meeting on Sunday 21st April after the 11.30am Mass.

MASS OF ANOINTING FOR THE SICK

Please join us for our annual Mass of the Anointing for the sick on Sunday 28th April at 3.00pm. It is an occasion to pray for those who are sick and all who care for them and also for those who are sick to receive the Sacrament of the sick and for all of us to pray for God's healing in our lives.

PARISH SURGERY

The next one will be on Monday 29th April at 7.00pm.

RAGS TO RICHES: MARY'S MEALS – SUNDAY 12TH MAY

This is an early notice to let you know that Mary's Meals UK will be here in May to collect your unwanted clothes. Mary's Meals UK is a charity that sets up school feeding programmes in communities where poverty and hunger prevent children from gaining an education. Mary's Meals wants your unwanted clothing and bedding (*no duvets or pillows please*) and they will be at our Church until 11.30am on 12th May to collect them all (please bring your donations on 12th May and not before). If you can help, Mary's Meals UK would like you to put your clothing/bedding into tied sacks and bring them to Church. Amazingly four full black sacks of good quality clothing will feed a child one good nutritious meal every school day for a whole year! A volunteer from Mary's Meals will be here on the day to give us more information. Last year we had a wonderful response and we were able to help feed at least 33+ children every day for a year! We hope we can do better this year! Thank you in advance.

SAMM (ST ANDREW'S MUMS MARKET) ON SATURDAY 4TH MAY

Please put this date in your diaries for our next St Andrews Mums Market (SAMM) in the Church hall. Several mums from the parish will be selling a variety of children's goods and lots of other items for sale, please text Bernadette on 07729322571 for info.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

The Legion of Mary Annual Edel Quinn Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory will take place on Saturday 4th May. Fares are £15 per adult and £10 per child up to age 16. There is a coach pick-up point at St. Andrews at 9.30am. Program details see the flyer on the Legion Board in the Church porch. To register your interest please contact: Florence Otokito on 07852 840229 or Yolanda Savarin on 0208 683 1489. Please bring a packed lunch. All are welcome to join us.

PALAZZOLA, ITALY 18TH JUNE - 27TH JUNE 2019

Fr Len is working as Chaplain at Villa Palazzola, Italy, between 18th June to 27th June. Palazzola is the English College retreat centre in the Alban Hills overlooking Castle Gondollo by Lake Albano. It is the Papal summer residence and is about 45 minutes outside of Rome. If you would like to spend a few days in Rome at the same time as Fr Len, you would be most welcome but you will have to make your own arrangements directly with Villa Palazzola and your own travel arrangements too. If enough people from St Andrew's come, Fr Len will arrange days out to the Vatican City and other places of interest. For further info please speak to Fr Len and if necessary he will arrange for a short meeting. Palazzola online www.palazzola.it

MEMORIES OF CANON FRANCIS MORAN

Please drop any memories of Canon Francis Moran that you would like us to include into the office or if you have pictures on your phone, please send to 07958 537314.

QUIZ NIGHT – SATURDAY 4TH MAY

There will be a Quiz Night on Saturday 4th May in Church hall, 7 for 7.30pm start to raise funds for our 50/50 Fund and Hope and Home charity. Tickets £5.00 on the door or from Catriona Collins, cattc123@hotmail.co.uk. There will be a licenced bar and snacks. Catriona will also be running the London marathon on 28th April to raise funds for Hope and Home charity. If you would like to sponsor her go to virginmoneygiving.com, type in Catriona Collins and follow the link.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who has helped or is helping us to prepare everything for Easter. There is always a lot of preparation needed for the liturgies, music, singing, serving, flowers, cleaning, booklets etc. and so many people help – it is all greatly appreciated. Fr Len would like to say a personal "thank you" to you all for helping and for answering the call to do God's work.

*Fr Len, Fr Francis, Deacon Tony, Deacon Errol, Sr Jennie and Sr Sheila
wish you all a Happy and Blessed Easter*

Quote of the Week

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! Because of his great mercy he gave us new life by raising Jesus Christ from death. This fills us with a living hope.

(1 Peter 1:3)

Contact Numbers

Chair of the PPC	Maureen Jones	020 8239 0615
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Primary School	St. James the Great	020 8771 3424