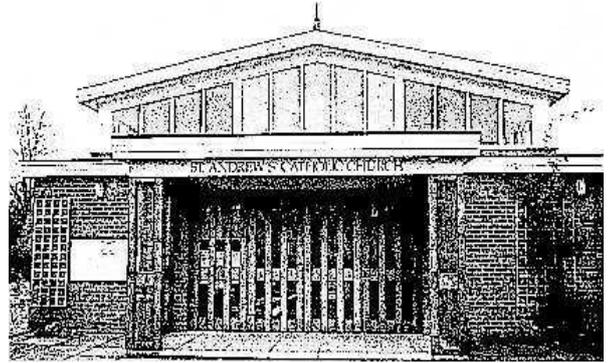

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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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.

2nd June 2019
7th Sunday of Easter (C)

Message from Fr James

God's Gift of Peace

“Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace which the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” (Jn. 14.27). For the last few days the running theme of daily gospel is *Love* and *Peace*. I wish to reflect on the theme ‘Peace’. St. Francis of Assisi advises all Christians in the following words: “while you proclaim peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your hearts.” In today’s world, it is not easy to have peace. François Fénelon, a French Roman Catholic Archbishop says, “Peace does not dwell in outward thing but within the soul; we may preserve it in the midst of the bitterest pain.”

The peace that God gives us is everlasting and it is more of an inner process. St Paul rightly advises us, “bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you” (Col. 3.13). Peace primarily lies in forgiving and healing our inner wounds. After his Resurrection while appearing to his disciples, Jesus said to his disciples ‘Peace be with you’. He has forgiven his disciples who had deserted and disowned him at the time of his passion and suffering on the cross for ‘they know not what they are doing’ (ref. Lk 23.34). Besides offering them forgiveness he strengthened them in his love so that they may be heralds of peace. Let us also experience his forgiveness so that we can forgive others and have peace in our lives. Let peace prevail in us through our ability to forgive others. May the Lord bring Serenity and Peace in your life!

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 96

Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John 17:20-26

This Sunday's Readings

I can see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God

The Lord is King, most high above all the earth

Come, Lord Jesus!

May they be completely one

Diary for the Week

Sunday 2nd June <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>	6.00pm (Saturday)	First Mass of Sunday	Marie Furey RIP
	9.30am	Mass	Mr & Mrs Phokeerdoss Parishioners
	11.30am	Mass	
	12.30pm	The Big Lunch (hall)	
	5.00pm	Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm	Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm	Mass	T. W. M. Group
7.00 - 9.00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group		
Monday 3rd June <i>St Charles Lwanga and Companions Acts 19:1-8 John 16:29-33</i>	7.30am	Mass	Santano Rebello RIP (Anniv) Joseph Eigbe
	10.00am	Mass	
	5.45 – 7.15pm	Beavers (hall)	
	7.00 - 8.00pm	Parish Surgery	
	7.30 – 9.00pm	Scouts (hall)	
Tuesday 4th June <i>Feria Acts 20:17-27, John 17:1-11</i>	7.30am	Mass	Power & Fennelly Families Clara Gomes RIP
	10.00am	Mass	
	5.45pm	FHC rehearsals (Church)	
Wednesday 5th June <i>St Boniface Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11-19</i>	7.30am	Mass	Elizabeth & Frank Lorraine Viegas RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass	
	2.00pm	Active Retirement Group	
	6.00pm	Lectio Divina Group (hall)	
7.30pm	Legion of Mary (hall)		
Thursday 6th June <i>St Norbert Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 John 17:20-26</i>	7.30am	Mass	Deceased members of Freeman Family RIP Neil Lynch RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass	
	7.15pm	Lenten Film	
	7.00 – 8.30pm	Cubs (St James the Great)	
Friday 7th June <i>First Friday Acts 25:13-21 John 21:15-19</i>	7.30am	Mass	Magdalena Colaco RIP (Anniv) Michael Furey RIP (Anniv)
	10.00am	Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Benediction	
	6.30pm	Syro Malabar Mass	
Saturday 8th June <i>Acts 28:16-20. 30-31 John 21:20-25</i>	9.30am	Mass	Holy Souls
	10.00 – 10.30am	Confessions	
	5.00 – 5.30pm	Confessions	
	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday (First Holy Communion)	Glenda McGrath RIP
Sunday 9th June <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	9.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Theresa McSorley RIP
	11.30am	Mass (First Holy Communion)	Parishioners
	5.00pm	Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm	Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm	Mass	Helen Ibemere
	7.00 - 9.00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	

Money Matters

Collection Last Sunday	£1,435.64
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 700.00</u>
Total offertory	£2,135.64
Second collection for World Communications Day	

Thank you for your generosity

Altar Servers

This week Team 1
Next week Team 2



Church Cleaners

This week Fifi's Group
Next week Sancho's Dusters

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

THE BIG LUNCH – TODAY 2ND JUNE AFTER 11.30AM MASS IN THE HALL

The Big Lunch was started in 2009 to encourage as many people as possible to have lunch together one Sunday in June. It has proved to be very successful so St Andrew's is having our Big Lunch today in our hall, Sunday 2nd June after the 11.30am Mass. It will be a good opportunity to enjoy time getting to know your fellow parishioners and find out what's happening to everyone and catch up on news so please come along and bring your lunch. There will be drinks available for sale including glasses of Pimms etc. All are most welcome and we look forward to seeing you all later.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection will be for World Communications Day. This collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN) the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider Church in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. Its office is the focus for media enquiries on National matters, and seeks to develop the public profile of the Church and its teaching. The CCN provides up to date news releases, features and podcasts, information from the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales, and trains spokesmen and women.

HOME-MADE GREETING CARDS FOR SALE TODAY

There will be a sale of home-made greeting cards after the 9.30am Mass in aid of our Golden Fundraising Campaign. Please go along to the hall and help support this event.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Over the weekends of 8th/9th June and 15th/16th June some of the children of our parish will be making their First Holy Communion at the Saturday evening and Sunday morning masses. Therefore the front few benches on both sides of the centre aisle will be reserved for the children and their immediate families. The children will be going up to the Altar to receive first as it is their special day. There are to be no photographs or videos taken during the Mass. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers.

FIRST FRIDAY

This coming Friday is First Friday and there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the end of the 10am Mass until Benediction at 12.30pm. All are most welcome.

FILMS OF STORIES FROM THE BIBLE

Please join us for our last Lenten film on Thursday 6th June showing "Bonhoeffer" starting at 7.15pm, with teas and coffees at 7.00pm.

YOUTH CHOIR

We are keen to welcome new members to the Youth Choir. The Choir leads Mass every fourth Sunday in each month. They practice most Sundays after the 9:30am Mass for half an hour. If you would like your child to join the Youth Choir please contact Maxine for further information on 07903401107.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

We are arranging a day Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St Augustine, Ramsgate on Saturday 6th July. St Augustine's has been restored by the diocese and Heritage Lottery funding and is now a thriving Pilgrimage centre. It is very near where St Augustine landed in 597 AD (having been sent by Pope Gregory the Great) to bring Christianity to England. It is also where the great Victorian architect, Augustus Pugin, lived, worked and built his personal church. More details can be found at <https://www.augustine-pugin.org.uk/> We will leave St Andrew's at 8.30am and return around 6.30pm. The cost is £18 for adults, £13 for children under 16 yrs, this includes entry into the Shrine, Mass, a tour, a talk and film about the shrine. There will also be some free time to explore Ramsgate. Please contact Lesley (07588 550058) or Stella (07983 775879) to book your place. ***We will have a table after the Sunday Masses this weekend for you to book your place and to give any further information.***

AN INVITATION FOR YOU ALL!

The Children of the 26th Croydon (St Andrews) Scout Group would like to invite the Parish to celebrate their 85th Anniversary with them. They will be hosting an Afternoon Tea Party on Saturday 22nd June from 2 - 4pm in the hall in aid of five Charities they have been raising money for throughout this year: CAFOD – Lily May Alice Carlyle CAFOD Candlelight Fund helping babies and children through CAFOD; St Christopher's Hospice Candle Project for local bereaved children; The Ugandan Maternity and Water Project – helping a village in Uganda provide running water and toilets to their maternity hospital; Eden Farm - helping provide education and meals to the poorest of families in Zambia and The Children's Trust – helping children in the UK with brain injury. To help the children prepare for this event, we will need to know numbers so if you would like to attend please email scouts26croydon@hotmail.co.uk or

contact Sarah Gater, 07751 660 842, to request an invitation. We look forward to seeing lots of you there supporting our youngest parishioners. Thank you.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES REMINDER

We are now into the new tax year and some parishioners have still not collected their envelopes. Can you please contact the gift aid organiser, Albert Tang, urgently to collect your boxes. Once you have contacted Albert, he will arrange with you to leave your boxes in the repository (shop) for you to collect. Please call or text him on 07703 263631 or email him at albert.tang.uk@googlemail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations and good wishes to Cecil Cofie Quagraine and Valerie Masoperh who are getting married on Saturday 8th June at St Mary's Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

THE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The group warmly invites you to the Life in the Spirit Seminar which started on Sunday 28th April here at St Andrew's and will be held every Sunday until Sunday 23rd June. Please come along to next one on Sunday from 7.00 – 9.00pm. Please see the notice in the porch for more information or contact 07983 775879 or 07947 493683. All are welcome.

A DAY WITH JESUS

You are invited to the 'A Day with Jesus' Ministry being held here at St Andrew's Church on every fourth Saturday of every month starting on 22nd June from 12 – 4.00pm. Please check the notice board for the full programme details and contacts for further information.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The second collection will be for the Catholic Trust for England and Wales (CaTEW). CaTEW (formerly the National Catholic Fund) supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops' Conference, its departments, agencies and offices. This collection helps supply the Bishops of England and Wales with the revenue necessary for the central administration of the Church in this country.

AFTERNOON TEA

Would you like to treat someone to Afternoon Tea? If so, as part of the 50 For 50 fundraising campaign, there will be Afternoon Tea here at St Andrew's on Saturday, 13th July from 2.00 – 5.00pm. The cost will be £6.50 per person and to book your place, tickets will be on sale after all Masses from first weekend in June. Please join us in drinking lots of tea (or coffee!), indulging on dainty sandwiches, lots of cream and cakes, and most importantly, being with friends and family, while at the same time raising funds needed for the Parish.

PILGRIM STATUE VISITATION

On the 10th February 2017 members of the Legion of Mary began the pilgrim statue visitation to parishioners of St Andrew's Church and this continues even today. Requests made for statue visitations have been for many reasons including peace in the home and family, birthday celebrations, illness, etc. If you would like members of the Legion of Mary to visit your home with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima please contact Ginny via the parish office or for further details see the noticeboard in the Church porch.

CELEBRATING A SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?

If yes, you are invited to St George's Cathedral at 3.00pm on Saturday July 13th for a special Mass celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony, with refreshments afterwards. Places are limited so make sure of your personal invitation from Archbishop Peter Smith by emailing mflsw@rcaos.org.uk. They will need to know your full names, address, phone number, parish and the special anniversary you are celebrating this year: anyone celebrating their 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ qualifies. Close family are welcome to come with you.

Quote of the Week

We can say 'Peace on Earth,' we can sing about it, preach about it or pray about it, but if we have not internalised the mythology to make it happen inside us, then it will not be.

Betty Shabazz

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