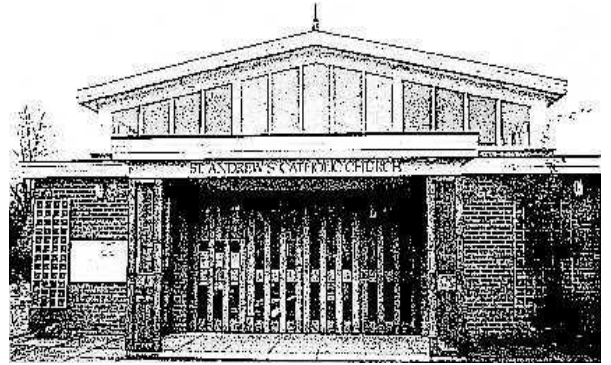


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# ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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## PASTORAL TEAM

**Priests:** Fr Emmanuel Ahua C.S.Sp.  
Fr James S. M. Kubendra Raj  
Fr Hyacinth Edokwe C.S.Sp.  
**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.*

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 The Presentation of the Lord (A)

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### Message from Fr James

We celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord in Jerusalem temple. This feast finds its perfect realisation in the mystery of the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord. The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is a combined feast, the presentation of the child to God in the Temple and his buying back (redemption) from God. It is also called the Feast of Encounter because the New Testament, represented by the baby Jesus, encountered the Old Testament, represented by Simeon and Anna. The birth of Christ was revealed by three kinds of witnesses in three different ways — first, by the shepherds, after the angel's announcement; second, by the Magi, who were guided by a star; third, by Simeon and Anna, who were inspired by the Holy Spirit.

The Gospel describes how Joseph, as the head of the Holy Family of Nazareth, presented Mary and the baby Jesus in the Temple of God for the mother's purification and the Child's "redemption." Every Holy Mass in which we participate is our presentation. Although we were officially presented to God on the day of our Baptism, we present ourselves and our dear ones on the altar before God our Father through our Saviour Jesus Christ at every Holy Mass. Hence, we need to live our daily lives with the awareness both that we are dedicated people, consecrated to God, and that we are obliged to lead holy lives.

### This Sunday's Readings

<b>Malachi 3:1-4</b>	<b>The Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple</b>
<b>Psalm 23</b>	<b>Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord</b>
<b>Hebrews 2:14-18</b>	<b>It was essential that we should in this way become completely like his brother</b>
<b>Luke 2:22-40</b>	<b>My eyes have seen your salvation</b>

## Diary for the Week

<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February</b> <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday  9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass <b>5.00pm Rosary</b> <b>5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction</b> 6.00pm Mass <b>7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	Peace in Southern Cameroon  Linda & Socrates Papapetrou RIP Joe & James Brennan RIP  Mr Ajibola Oyeyinka RIP (Anniv)
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b> <i>Saint Lawrence of Canterbury</i> 2 Samuel 15:13-14. 30; 16:5-13 Mark 5:1-20	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass <b>5.45 – 7.15pm Beavers (hall)</b> <b>7.00 - 8.00pm Parish Surgery</b> <b>7.30 – 9.00pm Scouts (hall)</b>	Peace in Southern Cameroon James MacNeely RIP
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Feria</i> 2 Samuel 18:9-10,14,24-25. 30-19:3 Mark 5:21-43	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass <b>6.30pm R.C.I.C. (hall)</b>	Samuel Osei Boadu RIP Peace in Southern Cameroon
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Saint Agatha</i> 2 Samuel 24:2. 9-17 Mark 6:1-6	7.30am Mass 10.00am <b>Funeral Mass</b> <b>2.00pm Active Retirement Group</b> <b>6.00pm Lectio Divina Group (hall)</b> <b>7.30pm Legion of Mary (hall)</b>	Peace in Southern Cameroon James Anthony MacNeely RIP
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Saint Paul Miki</i> 1 Kings 2:1-4. 10-12 Mark 6:7-13	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass <b>11.30am Funeral Mass</b> <b>7.00 – 8.30pm Cubs (St James the Great)</b>	Zelda Andrews RIP Peace in Southern Cameroon
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>First Friday</i> <i>Ecclesiasticus 47:2-13</i> Mark 6:14-29	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass followed by <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/ Benediction</b>  <b>6.30pm Brownies/Guides (hall)</b> <b>6.30pm Syro Malabar Mass</b>	Mr Errol David Joseph RIP Peace in Southern Cameroon
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Saint Jerome Emiliani</i> 1 Kings 3:4-13 Mark 6:30-34	<b>9.20 – 11.15am First Holy Communion</b> 9.30am Mass <b>10.00am Rosary</b> <b>10.00 – 10.30am Confessions</b> <b>5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions</b> 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday	Gill Patient RIP  Peace in Southern Cameroon
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass <b>5.00pm Rosary</b> <b>5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction</b> 6.00pm Mass <b>7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	Francis John Hampshire RIP Barbara Eileen Scott RIP (Anniv)  Theresa Epie (Thanksgiving)

### Money Matters

Collection Last Sunday	£1,195.63
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 700.00</u>
Total offertory	£1,895.63
Collection for SPUC	£ 670.56

*Thank you for your generosity*

### Altar Servers

This week Team 3  
 Next week Team 1



### Church Cleaners

This week Judie's Crew  
 Next week Fifi's Group

## St. Andrew's Parish Notices

### **FR JAMES**

Fr James will be going home on holiday from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February to Tamil Nadu, India. He will return on 4<sup>th</sup> March. We hope he will have a restful and enjoyable time and please do pray for him for a safe journey.

### **AFTERNOON TEA FUNDRAISER**

Message from Katherine: "A huge thank you to all of those who supported our Afternoon Tea fundraiser, those who were unable to attend but purchased tickets, those who donated towards the food (the cupcakes looked too good to eat!), the raffle and to those who provided transport when a little extra help getting here was needed. Your support is appreciated so much by those we support, bless you all."

### **THANK YOU**

Mary Cameron has decided to step down after many years of being a member of the Church Maintenance Committee and the Liturgy Group. We want to thank Mary most sincerely for the enormous work that she has carried out over the years and for her loyal contribution to St Andrews.

### **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 10.00pm. All 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 from 12 – 4.00pm. The next one will be on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, please see the notice board for full programme details and contacts.

### **400 CLUB**

No: 071 - John & Gill Gilhooly £20

No: 031 - Philip Chapman £10

No: 001 - Iggy Fernandes £10

### **THE ROSARY**

The Rosary is prayed each weekday after the 10.00am Mass (and Saturday 9.30am). After Mass and after a few minutes of silence the Rosary will be prayed and then, after a short pause, other devotional prayers will be prayed. All are welcome to join however long you can stay – there is no formal membership, just a desire to pray the Rosary.

### **NOTICES IN THE CHURCH PORCH**

Please may we remind you that all notices for the Church porch should be authorised by the Parish Priest before it can be put up. All notices that do not have prior authorisation will be taken down.

### **SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK**

The collection will be for Racial Justice Day. This collection is to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society.

### **ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC DIRECTORY**

There has been a delay in the printing of the directory. The directories will, hopefully, be available soon.

## CHURCH CLEANERS WANTED

We really need more people to help with the task of cleaning God's house. So, if you can spare an hour or two and would like to help by joining one of our groups, please contact Fifi on 07932 764273. Thank you.

## PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF THE WORD – 2020

Living God, You walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. **Amen.**

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. **This day and every day.**

Our Lady of the Annunciation      *Pray for us*

St Matthew      *Pray for us*

St Jerome      *Pray for us*

St Andrew      *Pray for us*

## THE GOD WHO SPEAKS – YEAR OF THE WORD 2020

To mark the special Year of the Word Archbishop John Wilson is inviting all Parishes in the diocese to join him for a special diocesan gathering in Aylesford on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. More details will be published in due course, but please save the date in your diary.

## KEEPING YOUR BELONGINGS SAFE

Please keep all your belongings with you at all times even when you go up for Communion to keep them safe.

## CHAPLAINCY & SPIRITUAL CARE TEAM

The Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care with Bereavement Services at Croydon University Hospital are looking for new volunteers in 2020 to train and support the team as Chaplaincy Volunteers. To join a great team and to get further information please contact Revd Andy Dovey Lead for Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care with Bereavement Services at Croydon University Hospital, tel 0208 401 3105 or 07557 014739, email [andrew.dovey@nhs.net](mailto:andrew.dovey@nhs.net) or see the poster in the porch.

### Quote of the Week

“Lord, now let your servant depart in peace,  
according to your word; for my eyes have seen  
your salvation which you have prepared in the  
presence of all peoples.”

*(Luke 2:29–32)*

### Contact Numbers

Chair of the PPC	Maureen Jones	020 8239 0615
Convent	Sr Jennie Eldridge	020 8689 0454
Gift Aid Organiser	Albert Tang	07703 263631
400 Club Organiser	Jonathan Prins (email: <a href="mailto:club_400@hotmail.com">club_400@hotmail.com</a> )	
Minibus Bookings	Frances Gilbert (Parish Groups only)	020 8689 7319
Parish Secretary	Danielle Lewin	020 8684 3013
Primary School	St. James the Great	020 8771 3424

