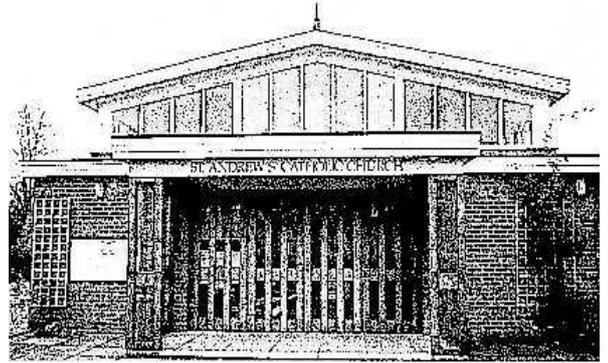

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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PASTORAL TEAM

Priests: Fr Emmanuel Ahua C.S.Sp.
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Fr Anthony Saffa C.S.Sp.
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Parish Sister: Sr. Jennie Eldridge DMJ
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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.

6th February 2022 5th Sunday of the Year (C)

Message from Fr Emmanuel

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, whom shall I send? Who will go for us? Here I am, I said; send me!”
The readings for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C speak about being called by God and sent to do His work. In the first reading the prophet receives a vision and knows he must respond. In the second reading Paul explains that he is preaching the gospel through the grace of God. In the gospel Jesus tells Simon to put in his nets and Simon has a tremendous catch. Then Jesus calls Simon Peter, James, and John to follow him.

Like Peter and his friends, we are called to serve. We must recognise that what God asks us to do takes precedence over other aspects of our lives. Remember, Jesus calls unlikely followers. The fishermen probably are illiterate, unable to read or write. Most Rabbis would call learned scholars of scripture to follow them. But Jesus is looking for disciples who are willing to give their whole selves to him and leave everything behind.

Jesus teaches from Simon Peter's boat. Peter and the other fishermen would have been tired after a full day of fishing. They were cleaning their nets and preparing to go home. But Peter recognises the authority of Jesus and does what he asks. Already we see the relationship of Lord and disciple.

Reflection questions:

- Do I respond when Jesus calls me?
- What do I need to leave behind to answer the invitation?
- Do I trust that God loves and calls me as I am now? Or do I think I am unworthy to serve?

This Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 6:1-8

Here I am, send me

Psalms 137

Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed

Luke 5:1-11

They left everything and followed him

Diary for the Week

Sunday 6th February <i>5th Sunday of the Year</i>	6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday 9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group	Special Intentions - Wellbeing Deceased Members of Wijeratne Family RIP Ajibola Oyeyinka RIP For the people of the parish
Monday 7th February	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass	Timothy & Clela Andradi RIP Sr Mary Martin RIP
Tuesday 8th February	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass	Mavis Eastaugh RIP Terence Maughan RIP 2 nd Month Anniv
Wednesday 9th February	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass	For the Repose of the Soul of Juliana Hayfron RIP
Thursday 10th February	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass	Diane Philbey RIP
Friday 11th February	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 10.30 – 12noon Adoration 6.30pm Brownies/Guides (hall)	Christine Marchant & Valentina Anthony Zammit RIP
Saturday 12th February	9.30am Mass 10.00 – 10.30am Confessions 5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday	For the people of the parish
Sunday 13th February <i>6th Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group	Rose Gallery RIP Anniv Paul Etuka RIP Sr Mary Martin RIP

Church cleaners: this week: Fifi's Group, next week: Sancho's Dusters

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

FACEMASKS

Please can we ask you to continue to use a face covering if you are able to and to use the hand sanitiser when entering our Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

For First Holy Communion programme 2022, we are asking parents of children who are in year 3 or 4 from September 2021 to complete an application to register their children for the next programme by 13th February. Please complete the online form by following the link <https://forms.gle/EEDYdumEj2x3GEU78>

In order for the Sacraments to go ahead, we will need help from you. Thank you if you have already come forward but we still need more volunteer Catechists. If you have a child who would like to join the programme, please consider becoming a Catechist so we can move forward with our programme. Send your details via email into the office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We hope to resume our Children's Liturgy Group on the first Sunday after half term (27th February) for the 9.30am Mass. This will be for children ages 3 – 8years old. Parents with younger children can come along too but will need to stay with their children. We welcome volunteers to help as always but you will need to be DBS checked, please contact Bernadette to discuss this on 07729 322571.

MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

The group are resuming and would like to invite you to come along. They have decided to change the day from Tuesday to Monday mornings. If you would like to come along, please meet in St Andrew's hall from 9.30 – 11.15am, ages from baby to 4 years old, £2 per session. Included in the price is a snack, crafts, storytime etc for the children and tea/coffee for parents/carers. Starting from Monday 7th February, term-time only.

ALL NATIONS CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC GROUP UK FOODBANK

The group have launched a food bank project in order to help families who are in need of extra help with regards to some food items. The next one will be held in St Andrew's Church hall on Saturday 12th February approximately from 12.00 – 1.00pm. We would welcome any food donations, tinned, dry packets, etc. Please see the poster in the porch for more info and contact details. If you know of any families who may benefit from this, please let them know.

REPOSITORY

The Repository will be open after the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses on Sunday.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Please join our group for prayer meetings every Sunday evening in the Church from 7.00 – 9.00pm. All are very welcome to come along and join us in praises, prayers, Bible studies and youth group ministry. For further details please call Stella on 07983 775879.

ST ANDREW'S CHOIR

The Choir at St. Andrews warmly welcome parishioners who would like to join the choir. If you can play an instrument, or have a love for singing you are most welcome. For more details or to sign up please speak to one of the choir leaders after mass.

ADORATION

Please come in and spend some time in the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration every Friday from 10.30am – 12noon.

A DAY WITH JESUS

The A Day with Jesus Group have resumed their meetings in St Andrew's Church. Please join them to pray together, sing praises, worship, say the Rosary, Divine Mercy and Adoration. The group meet every fourth Saturday of every month, the next one is on 26th February, from 12.30 – 4.00pm. All are very welcome to come along, for further information please call Simon on 07947 493683.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

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

PARISH

New Year's Resolution – Volunteer in the Parish

Our parish needs you. A vital aspect of a church is people willing to bring their talents, experience and energy to our various ministries and activities. Could your New Year's resolution be getting involved in our parish life? This can be very fulfilling and help build our community. We have lots of different ways you can get involved such as: Church cleaners, general maintenance in and around the Church, gardening, maintenance in the hall etc. If you would like to have more info or to speak with Fr Emmanuel, please email the office and he will get in touch with you, all help would be very welcome. Thank you.

CAFOD

CAFOD are also looking for volunteers. You can help by giving some time:

- In our parish - where you will be highlighting CAFOD's work in the parish to support communities globally who are living with injustices and in poverty.
- In our local schools – where you'll deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.

If you'd like to know more about volunteering for CAFOD, please get in touch with Celeste or Sarah at southwark@cafod.org.uk or tel: 07825 734 390 / 07775 704546

DAY OF HEALING

Please see the poster in the porch for *Day of Healing* being held on Saturday 19th February, 10 – 5pm at St George's Cathedral. Further info from bit.ly/Healing2022.

GRIEF IN LOSS: HOPE IN CHRIST

Have you been bereaved? This weekend being held at Aylesford Priory is for you, for anyone who has lost a loved one through death; an opportunity to mourn but also to share with and be supported by others. The date is 4-6 March. For more information phone Elizabeth Partridge on 01303 670 880 or email: enquiry@thefriars.org.uk