
ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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Priests: Fr Emmanuel Ahua C.S.Sp.
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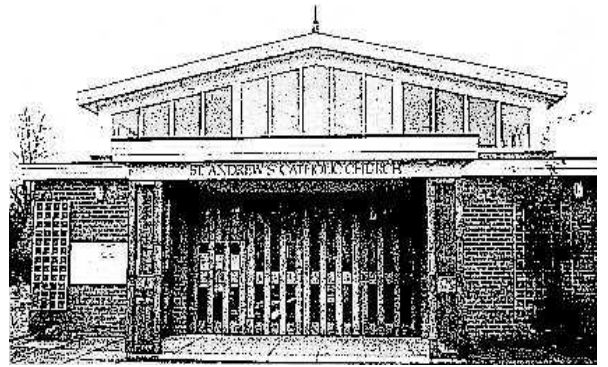
Deacons: Rev. Tony Flavin, Rev. Errol Quagraine

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Infant Baptisms: Please contact - baptism.standrews@gmail.com

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.



3rd July 2022 Fourteenth Sunday of the Year (C)

Message from Deacon Tony

Last Friday, 1 July, was the feast day of St Oliver Plunkett. Born in 1625 he was the Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland. He was the last victim of the Popish Plot.

The Popish Plot was a fictitious plot made up by Anglican clergyman Titus Oats that Catholics were planning to kill King Charles II and install a Catholic king. This plot went on from 1678 to 1681, many Catholic clergy were martyred for their faith at the time. Eventually Oats' web of lies fell apart and he was convicted of perjury.

St Oliver Plunkett was the last person to receive the martyr's crown due to this plot, in 1681. He was beatified in 1920 and canonised in 1975, thus becoming the first new Irish saint in almost seven hundred years.

The chapel of the old Clapham College, a Catholic Boys Grammar school in Balham is dedicated to Oliver Plunkett. It holds one of his relics. In the late 70s the parish of the Holy Ghost, in Balham, had a "Crusade of Prayer for Lapsed Catholics". People were invited to send petitions asking St Oliver to pray for their loved ones who had fallen from the faith.

This was remarkably popular with over 300 petitions being received. Most of these are from parents asking that their child return to the faith. This was over forty years ago and in current times I have the same conversations with other parents. I also remember my mother, born in 1920, talking of priests asking her contemporaries "Why do you young people stop going to Mass?"

At this time, while we welcome people back to Mass, let's remember to do that, let's be welcoming and be glad to see them, it really is something to celebrate.

This Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 66:10-14

Towards her I send flowing peace, like a river

Psalms 65

Cry out with joy to God all the earth

Galatians 6:14-18

The marks on my body are those of the Lord Jesus

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Your peace will rest on that man

Diary for the Week

Sunday 3rd July <i>14th Sunday of the Year</i>	6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday 9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 4.00pm Confirmation session 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group	Ryan Townsend - Wellbeing Algie Alexander RIP For the people of the parish Mary Donnelly (F)
Monday 4th July	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Parish Surgery	Geraldine Rae – Wellbeing J. Okoroafor – Thanksgiving
Tuesday 5th July	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass	Dr Sainsbury RIP Pasquelina (Rina) Fernandes RIP
Wednesday 6th July	7.30am Mass 10.00am Funeral Mass 7.30pm Legion of Mary (hall)	Timothy & Cleta Andradi RIP Marion McChrystal RIP
Thursday 7th July	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 7.00pm PPC meeting (t.b.c.)	Mrs Margaret Chambers RIP Anniv Assi D'Sa RIP 92 nd Birthday
Friday 8th July	7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 12.30pm Wedding of Saru and Stefan 6.30pm Brownies/Guides (hall) 7.00pm Divine Mercy Prayers	Susan Woods RIP Fr Adolfo Pacheco RIP
Saturday 9th July	9.30am Mass 10.00 – 10.30am Confessions 11am Confirmation rehearsals 5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday	Bernie Gannon RIP Lawrence & Antonette D'Souza RIP Anniv
Sunday 10th July <i>15th Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group	Tewelde and Dawit RIP Paul Etuka RIP For the people of the parish

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

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 Church.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend, on 2nd and 3rd July will be for the Verona Fathers (Comboni Missionaries). This is a Mission Appeal and we welcome a member of their mission society who will be here attending all Masses to give a talk about their work of the Church in the mission field.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy has resumed on Sundays during 9.30am Mass, term-time only. Children who have not received their First Holy Communion and their parents are welcome to come into the hall for the Children's Liturgy session. Parents must stay for safeguarding reasons, whilst the volunteers await their DBS. We look forward to welcoming you where we spend time getting to know each other and learning about Jesus. We would welcome any volunteers who are able to help run the sessions with another helper, set up the hall and tidy up afterwards. If you can help please let one of the leaders know, thank you.

CONFIRMATION GROUP – THANK YOU

A big thank-you to everyone who came along to the hall last Sunday to support our Confirmation candidate's cake sale. We raised £215.00 for their chosen two charities, Save the Children and Mind. Thank you once again for your support.

ADORATION

Please note that there will not be Adoration this Friday (8th July) as there will be a wedding ceremony in the Church.

DIVINE MERCY

Please join us in the Church every Friday evening from 7pm for prayers. All are very welcome to attend.

THE ROSARY GROUP

The Rosary is prayed each weekday after the 10am Mass and Saturday 9.30am. All are very welcome to join.

PARISH SURGERY

Please come along if you need to see a member of the Clergy to our parish surgery on Monday evenings from 7.00 – 9.00pm, term-time only.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The second collection on 10th July will be for Sea Sunday, a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers, regardless of nationality or belief. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

So on 10th July, it is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in Church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5, or use one of the envelopes in the porch and hand it in. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give what you can. Thank you.

REINSTATEMENT OF SUNDAY OBLIGATION

In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Lord's Supper, the Lord Jesus entrusted to us the precious gift of Himself. With humility, we glory in being a Eucharistic people for whom attendance at Mass is essential. With effect from the Solemnity of Pentecost, 5th June, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is hereby restored. We now invite all Catholics who have not yet done so to return to attending Mass in person.

Please take home with you a letter from Archbishop John Wilson encouraging you all to return to church. In the letter – a personal invitation - from the Archbishop so you can share this invitation with your families and friends, the Archbishop is inviting you to return to church, to rekindle your relationship with those who gather, Sunday by Sunday, so that, together, we can worship through the celebration of Eucharist. We would love to see you back again, so please come and join us.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB

St Andrews Active retirement club are looking for volunteers to take over the management of the Club. We meet on Wednesday afternoons (2.00–4.00pm) but the day can be changed to suit you. We hold bingos, quizzes and exercises! There's plenty of tea and coffee too! Please contact Maria 07894 951908 or Elizabeth 07414 535150 for more info.

REPOSITORY

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

CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA AND UKRAINE TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

We continue to pray for everyone involved in the Ukraine conflict, please keep them all in your prayers.

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.

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 9th July 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.

WEDDING - CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Saru and Stefan who will be celebrating Holy Matrimony here at St Andrew's on Friday 8th July. We send our warmest wishes to both of them and pray that they may continue to walk with God together and may God bless the two of them abundantly in love, joy and happiness.

ST JAMES THE GREAT SCHOOL

St James the Great Primary School are holding their popular Summer Fair this Sunday 3rd July between 11am and 3pm. Please go along for a fun day out with lots of stalls, games, raffles, bouncy castle and refreshments - something for everyone.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S CERTIFICATE 2022/24

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy, and supporting not just the work of catechesis but also that of evangelisation and formation in our diocese.

The course will commence on 8th October 2022 and is an online, systematic course for anyone wishing to know their Catholic faith more deeply and to develop the skills to share this faith with others. The cost will be £365 per year and the full cost of the course, payable over 2 years is £730. In addition, registration must be completed in advance and there is a non-refundable registration fee of £50. Further info please contact the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis on 020 8672 7684 or email archcert@rcaos.org.uk. Further details also available: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place between 19th and 26th August. We are sad that, like most Lourdes pilgrimages this year, we have not been able to include pilgrims who need medical support. At the same time, we are delighted to be returning to Lourdes after two years of absence. Details are available at www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/catholic-association. Southwark contacts: Canon Ed Perera (edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk) and Bishop Paul Hendricks (paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk).

ST ANDREW'S: DEFIBRILLATOR

We're raising £4,000 to help St Andrew's buy a defibrillator for our Church. A big thank you to everyone who has donated so far, we are definitely getting closer to our goal and we really appreciate your support. This is something that Fr Emmanuel has been very keen to purchase for a while but being mindful of the financial pressures on everyone at the moment, we would still welcome any help that you can give us. Donations can be made directly to the Priests or put it in an envelope, clearly marked, in the offertory. Or you can also use the following link and QR code, the link is:

JUSTGIVING FUND FOR CHURCH DEFIBRILLATOR

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fremmanuel-ahua?utm_term=xrj9Mpdpd



Fr Emmanuel looks forward to updating you all soon with the good news hopefully in the summer!