

Mass Times

25 Feb Saturday 5.00 pm	<i>Vigil Mass</i> People of the Parish
26 Feb Sunday 11:00 am	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (A) <i>Sunday Mass</i> Michael & Kathleen Curran

27 Feb Monday --:--	<i>No Mass</i>
28 Feb Tuesday 10:00 am	<i>Daily Mass</i> Private Intention
1 Mar Wednesday --:--	<i>No Mass</i>
2 Mar Thursday 10:00 am	<i>Daily Mass</i> Sister Ita R.I.P.
3 Mar Friday 9:00 am 10:00 am	<i>Daily Mass</i> Adoration Jane Dwyer R.I.P.
4 Mar Saturday 5.00 pm	<i>Vigil Mass</i> Fiorello Necchi R.I.P.
5 Mar Sunday 11:00 am	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT (A) <i>Sunday Mass</i> People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday's 4:30 pm till 4:50 pm
.. or call for an appointment

*If you would like a Mass said on a particular day;
Please, give enough notice.
Intentions will be as close as possible to request.

Collections

(last week)

1st gift aid £

2nd loose £

This does not include offerings received online or by standing order.



With GIFT AID your £20 becomes £25

Special Collections

If you feel it may be more convenient to make your offertory collection online, or by standing order, please use following details:

Bank sort code - **600910**

A/c no - **71502122**

Name - **RCAS Our Lady of the Assumption**

Anniversary of the Dead

James Collins	Thomas
Mary McCarthy	O'Sullivan
George Disley	John Doyle
Canon Rory	Patricia Ramsden
Fletcher	Edward Patrick
Clara Watson	Donovan
Caroline Mary	Patrick Gerard
Fisher	Melvin
James Little	Eric ("Mac") John
	MacDowall

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

19th Feb. 2023



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REPOSITORY

The church repository is open after 11:00 am Mass every Sunday, for the sale of cards and other religious items.

ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

We will be praying the Rosary, to Our Lady of the Assumption, for World Peace at 10.30 am every Sunday in the church before the 11am Mass.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed every Sunday, immediately after 11:00 am Mass

Please come and pray with us if you can.

***There is a great selection of rosary beads in the Repository.*

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you someone who is considering the possibility of joining the Catholic church, or perhaps someone who is already a Catholic but wishing to improve your knowledge and understanding of the faith? There is a parish course for anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. Sessions will last for one hour, beginning immediately after the 11.00am Mass. There will be opportunities to explore the teachings of the Catholic Church, and to discern what God may be calling you to. Please speak to one of the clergy team if you would like to know more.

BAPTISM

Parents wishing to have their child baptised will need to attend the Parish Baptism preparation course. Both parents must attend, godparents are also very welcome. Please contact the catechists, Johnny and

Rumela, on nothfleetbaptism@rcaos.org.uk. NB: Parents wishing to have a child over the age of two baptised must speak to one of the clergy team before applying to join the course. Thank you.

LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Children from 3 years of age up to those who are in year 3 at school are welcome. The children will leave the main congregation just after the beginning of Mass, and return in time for the offertory procession. Please speak to one of the catechists, or to one of the clergy team, if you have any questions.

HEALTH REMINDER

It is the time of year when coronavirus & other easily transmissible respiratory infections are doing the rounds. The advice is that, if we are unwell, we should stay at home and avoid crowded spaces, including church services, until your symptoms have abated. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

TEA AND COFFEE

Tea and coffee will be served at the Veterans' Hall on Sunday 26th February, immediately after the 11.00am Mass, until 1.00pm. The Veterans' Hall is just a two minute walk from the church, turn left when leaving from the church front doors.

Please come and make the venture a success, and let us know about any special anniversaries or family celebrations that we can share with you. We hope to be able together for tea and coffee on the last Sunday of each month.

CHRISTINE MURPHY R.I.P.

There will be a funeral service for Christine Joan Murphy RIP in the church on Thursday 23rd March at 10.00am. This will be followed by a committal service at Gravesend cemetery. Please pray for the repose of her soul. May she rest in peace.

SEASON OF LENT

CLERGY SUPPORT FUND

The second collection on the First Sunday of Lent will be for the Clergy Support Fund of the Archdiocese of Southwark. The fund provides care for priests in their old age and retirement, and in their time of ill health. A gift to this worthy fund will ensure a dignified retirement for our priests, after they have dedicated a lifetime of service to Christ, His Church and His people.

In 2022, the Clergy Support Fund provided care to 73 retired priests, at a cost of £1.33 million. With the number of priests over the age of 65 steadily increasing, so too will the financial obligation to the Archdiocese.

Please be generous today with a gift to the Clergy Support Fund and continue to keep our priests in your prayers.

There are envelopes available in the church for those who wish to use them.

FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Every person between the ages of 18-59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, unless a person's health could be in jeopardy from not eating.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be Stations of the Cross in the church during Lent, on Fridays at 7.00pm. Stations of the Cross on Good Friday will be at 11.00am

LENT RETREAT 2023

Make some space to develop your relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for the Diocesan Lent retreat "Renewed in Hope". Every week you will receive an email with links to a 20-minute video in which Archbishop John will introduce the theme and the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the retreat

programme and a witness will speak of the relevance in their daily life. You will also receive materials to use in your own prayer and reflection. All you have to do is sign up here: <http://eepurl.com/hVT7Dv>, set aside what space you can for reflection and join us in being Renewed in Hope!

CAFOD SYRIA-TURKEY

CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

YOUTH COMPETITIONS

The Knights of St Columba are calling upon all children and young people aged 7-18 years to take part in two competitions-an Easter scene painting competition and a Prayer competition. Please collect the competition details from the back of the church, and please return completed entries to Father Michael or Deacon John by 31st May. Good luck!

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Friday 3rd March is CAFOD Family Fast Day. It presents an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters around the world. On that Friday, can you eat a simple meal in solidarity with those around the world who have much less than we have, and give what you save to help them? Through CAFOD'S global Church network-one of the largest aid networks in the world-your support can reach to the ends of the earth.

Please collect your Fast Day envelope from the church today, and give whatever you can. Please put your envelope in either of the collections. Thank you.

*One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*