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Parish Newsletter

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Parish Office Open on Monday–Friday 10am– 1.00pm

The Ascension Of The Lord (A) (World Communications Day)

27th/28th May

6.30pm Christopher Cooper RIP
9.00am Intention of Donor
11.00am Frank McCabe (Mary Taylor)
12.30pm **Baptisms:** Arietta Chalk and Edward King
6.00pm People of the Parish

Seventh Week of Easter (Year A) 29th May–3rd June 2017

Mon 29th
9.30am Intention of Donor
12.30pm Devi Ponuthurai
Tues 30th
9.30am Intention of Donor
6.30pm Thanksgiving (Tissera Family)
Wed 31st
9.30am **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Tony Fazal (Philipina Fazal)
Thurs 1st
9.30am **Saint Justin**
Winefride Mary Elizabeth Fynn RIP
12.30pm John Glennon (James O'Driscoll)
Fri 2nd
9.30am **Feria**
Claramma Denasia and P M Denasia RIP
Nikhil Ubald)
12.30pm Rebecca Roy (Roy Family)
Sat 3rd
9.00am **Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions**
Patrick Shea RIP
11.00am **CONFIRMATION MASS**

Pentecost Sunday (A) 3rd/4th June 2017

6.30pm Wellbeing of Fr Edward, Fr Chris, Fr Francis (Parishioner)
9.00am People of the Parish
11.00am Holy Souls
12.30pm **Baptisms:** Rose Amelia O'Malley
6.00pm Patrick Shea RIP (Rita Lee)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS WEEK
This Saturday 9.30–10.00am and 5.30–6.00pm

Novenas

Novena Prayers to Saint Anthony each Tuesday after the morning mass and at 6.30pm.
Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help each Wednesday at 6.30pm.

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially those whose anniversary falls at this time. We remember also all those who mourn the loss of loved ones.

Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community:

Vanessa Andrew, Arthur Bailey, Christina Beyer, Mary Burrows, Jim Creighan, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Jenny Elborough, Lilly Ella, Robert Estall, Tony Fisher, Anne Freer, Anne Groves, Thomas Haley, Eillen Kaye, John Keane, Jan Leightley, Roisin Loftus, Margo Martin, Joan McCutchen, Simon Munnery, Pat Parker, Eileen Pearce, Lewis Penn, Frances Powell, Cecelia Russell, Rouben Sarkissian, Cerys Sullivan, Roman Szyman-ski, Gerry Taylor, Chris Wade and Mrs Wallace.

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

St Vincent de Paul Meetings

Fortnightly on Wednesdays at 7.30pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday 31st May

To contact SVP please ring 07427922420.

Junior SVP meets at 6.30pm.

SVP Coffee Morning in the Old Chapel

3rd Sunday of every month after the 9am mass.

Justice & Peace Group

Second Monday of each month at 7.45 in the RDJ Room, except July, August and December.

Afternoon Tea and Chat in the RDJ Room

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 2pm.

Monthly Syro Malabar Mass

Fourth Saturday of each month at 3.00pm.

Repository

The repository is open the first Saturday of every month after 6:30 pm mass and every week on Sunday after the 9 and 11 am masses, excluding school holiday.

Library:

3rd Sunday of every month - after the 9.00am Mass with SVP Coffee Morning.

Union of Catholic Mothers

First and third Tuesday of each month except August at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel.

Knights of St Colomba

Every 3rd Monday at 8pm in RDJ Room.

The Kingston Franciscan Fraternity

Pastoral Centre on 3rd Saturday of the month at 3pm.

Collection Last Weekend: £1836. 29

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Today is World Communications and there is a Second Collection for Catholic Communications Network (CCN)

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7. 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

My Dear People

Last Monday morning the whole country woke up to the sad news of what happened in Manchester Arena. Our prayers are with all those innocent young people who died in most tragic circumstances, and we offer our prayers and sympathies to the parents and families of those who lost their lives and assure our prayers for those who were injured. We hurriedly arranged an hour of prayer for peace on Thursday evening and did our best to pass on the message and thank all those who were able to come. I know all of you have remembered and prayed for all concerned.

Archbishop Peter in his message, said, *“I would like to extend my sincere condolences to all the victims of this attack, in particular, those traumatised by the unexpected loss of relatives and friends. There are no words sufficient for the grief of losing a family member and the devastating nature of this event surely serves only to increase that pain. Although nothing can prepare us for such loss, I pray that you will find consolation in each other, and peace in the knowledge that Christ is there for all of you at every moment in your lives, no matter what you face. The Catholic community here offers its prayers for you and your loved ones today. At this time, I encourage all people to renew their efforts to nurture respectful dialogue, with a view to fostering peace and trust in our communities. The answer is not in violence or arms, but in reaching out to others, openly discussing differences and endeavouring to forgive past actions. It is by these measures that we have the opportunity bring about the light of understanding and avert animosity. I would like to add my thanks to all those who have already expressed their gratitude to the emergency services for their swift action and care for those caught up in this tragedy”.*

I pray that we take to heart the prayer of St. Francis, ‘Lord, make me an instrument of your peace’. May we be peacemakers in our thinking, in our words and in our actions every moment of our days. Let peace begin with each one of us personally. May Peace the gift of the Risen Lord be with you all. God Love you. Canon Edward Perera

TODAY IS WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY

In his message for World Communications Day, Pope Francis says: “...we have to break the vicious circle of anxiety and stem the spiral of fear resulting from constant focus on ‘bad news’ (wars, terrorism, scandals and all sorts of human failure). This has nothing to do with spreading misinformation that would ignore the tragedy of human suffering, nor is it about a naïve optimism blind to the scandal of evil.” In our task as “Missionary Disciples” we all have our part to play and a mandate to both live and communicate the Gospel to all people using all the means at our disposal. In this digital age of immediate communication, never before has it been so necessary that we “...contribute to the search for an open and creative style of communication that never seeks to glamourize evil but instead to concentrate on solutions and to inspire a positive and responsible approach...”

The Second Collection Today supports the work of the CCN, the media office of the Bishop’s Conference of England and Wales.

SACRAMENTS and LITURGY in the PARISH

CONFIRMATION

Next Saturday, 3rd June Bishop Paul will be with us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 11.00am. Please remember all our young candidates, their parents, sponsors and catechists in your prayers.

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

Parents who want to have their chil-

dren baptised are expected to follow the two Baptism Preparation Sessions held on the 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month (except in of August) between 10.00am –11.00am in the Old Chapel. Please speak to the priests first and register as early as possible. **Please note no baptism dates will be arranged till the parents complete both preparation sessions.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ‘17

Monday 12th June: Meeting for First Holy Communion parents at 7.30pm in the parish hall.

Saturday 17th June: First Holy Communion Rehearsal at 10.30am.

Saturday 24th June: First Holy Communion 11am and 2pm.

Saturday 1st July:
Communion Get-together

PARISH NEWS and EVENTS

Welcome

Next Wednesday we welcome Mar Joseph Srampickal, the first Bishop/ Eparch of the new Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Great Britain to our parish. He will be with us to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion of the children and young people of the Syro-Malabar Community of our parish.

Deceased

Please remember in your prayers Mrs Felicia Okojie, aunt of Fr Francis who died recently. May she rest in peace. We offer Fr Francis our prayers and sympathy.

Parish Catechists Day

A day for parish catechists will be held on Saturday 16th September, from 10.30am–1.30pm. Light refreshments will be available at 1.30pm. All catechists/ Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion, RCIA and Children’s Liturgy are invited to this meeting. Can I ask all the lead catechists to make sure that all catechists attend the meeting.

Feast of St. Anthony—13th June

In our parish there is a great devotion to St. Anthony. There is a good gathering of parishioners at both morning and evening Masses and novena devotions on Tuesdays. Many have shared with me the many

blessings they have received through the intercession of St. Anthony. This year we will celebrate the Feast of St. Anthony with a festal Mass and the novena devotions at 7.30pm on Tuesday 13th June. After Mass there will be refreshments in the hall. I thank those who have volunteered to provide refreshments. If there are others who would like to provide refreshments please let Fr. Francis or me know. I invite you all to join in celebrating the Feast day of St. Anthony.

In preparation to celebrate the Feast we have prepared a leaflet giving 13day prayer invocations, and they are available at the back of the church.

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OLI Junior Youth Club

If you're in school years 7 and 8 and OLI is your parish, then do come along to the Junior Youth Club which meets once a month in term time. Next meeting days: Fridays June 16, July 14 and we meet in the parish hall from 7.15-8.45pm.

Parents need to complete a membership form which can be downloaded from the OLI website.

The General Election 2017

Copies of the letter (printed in last weeks' newsletter) from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales are available from the back of the church.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are requested to help out with welcoming and giving out Mass books and hymn books at the 11am Sunday Mass. If you regularly attend this Mass and are interested and Stevens on 07710 231104

LENTEN PROJECT

Thank You

A big thank you to all who supported the Sri Lankan Evening. £1345 was raised for the Lenten Project.

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent Bedding Plant sale. A total of 188.00p was raised for the Lenten Project.

Justice & Peace Big Breakfast

Sunday 4th June after the 9.00am Mass in the Parish Hall, Fair Trade tea and coffee and other delicious items. All proceeds to the Parish Lenten Project

The Justice & Peace Group would like to thank all those who helped at last Sunday's plant sale, those who helped set up the stall, those who served the customers, those who supplied the plants and especially those who bought the plants. Hope they all grow well. We made £64.70 for the Lenten Project."

DEANERY /DIOCESAN /SCHOOL/ LOCAL NEWS and EVENTS continued

Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Annual Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is on 18-25th August 2017. The Diocesan Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Patrick Lynch. For more details and booking forms please contact Fr Edward Perera, Southwark Lourdes Pilgrimage Director at info@olionline.co.uk or 020 8399 9550.

VACANCY: The Centre for Catholic Formation, based in Tooting Bec, is looking for a new formation adviser (Kent Area). The ideal candidate will be a practising Catholic with previous experience in catechesis and/or adult formation. This is a full time role which will include some evenings and weekends. Salary: £30 to £35K depending on skills and experience. For more information see <https://www.ccftootingbec.org.uk/jobs> to apply please contact sarah.wood@finance-rcdsouthwark.org by the closing date of Friday 2 June 2017. Interviews will be held on 13 June 2017. Candidates are welcome to visit the Centre ahead of application.

Churches Together Surbiton Pentecost Prayer & Praise Service

on Sunday 4th June at 6.30pm at St George's Church, Hamilton Avenue. All are welcome. Refreshments after the service.

Aegon Tennis Tournament

Service on Sunday 11th June from 9.00-10.00am at Surbiton Racquet & Fitness Club, Berrylands.

Surbiton New Life Baptist Church

—We are looking for a church Administrator to work 15 hours per week. The pay is £10.25-£11 per hour and some hours will have to be worked occasionally in the evenings to take minutes at meetings for example.

Celebrate Twickenham

17-18 June 2017 at St Mary's University. The weekend programme includes: talks, praise and worship, seminars and workshops, mass, theatre, adoration, prayer ministry and time for chatting. There will be a full programme for all young people from the age of 4 plus a warm, welcoming creche. For information and booking visit www.celebrateconference.org
Email: twickenham@celebrateconference.org

Doxa Deo London are putting on a Ladies Conference and would like to extend the invitation to all the other ladies in the churches in the area. Cherish ladies ministry invites you on a journey to boldly celebrate the wealth that your Father so freely deposited in you and unveiling the things which are to your benefit and the world around you. The conference theme for this year is Fearless and Faithful. See notice board for further details

