

# Our Lady of the Annunciation

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Wednesday: Closed

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment



#### 2nd June Corpus Christi Sunday (page 85 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR B

#### POPE FRANCIS ON EUCHARIST

We can evaluate our Eucharistic Adoration when we take care of our neighbour like Jesus does. There is hunger for food around us, but also for companionship; there is hunger for consolation, friendship, good humour; there is hunger for attention, there is hunger to be evangelised. We find this in the Eucharistic Bread — the attention of Christ to our needs and the invitation to do the same toward those who are beside us. We need to eat and feed others.

The miracle of the loaves and fishes does not happen in a spectacular way, but almost secretly, like the wedding at Cana — the bread increases as it passes from hand to hand. And as the crowd eats, they realise that Jesus is taking care of everything.

The Lord present in the Eucharist calls us to be citizens of Heaven, but at the same time he takes into account the journey we have to face here on earth, if I have hardly any bread in my sack, he knows and takes care of it himself.

Sometimes there is the risk of confining the Eucharist to a vague, distant dimension, perhaps bright and perfumed with incense, but rather distant from the straits of everyday life. In reality, the Lord takes all our needs to heart, beginning with the most basic.

In the Eucharist, everyone can experience this loving and concrete attention of the Lord. Those who receive the Body and Blood of Christ with faith not only eat, but are satisfied. To eat and to be satisfied: These are two basic necessities that are satisfied in the Eucharist. The crowd is satisfied because of the abundance of food and also because of the joy and amazement of having received it from Jesus!

We certainly need to nourish ourselves, but we also need to be satisfied, to know that the nourishment is given to us out of love. In the Body and Blood of Christ, we find his presence, his life given for each of us. He not only gives us help to go forward, but he gives us himself — he makes himself our traveling companion, he enters into our affairs, he visits us when we are lonely, giving us back a sense of enthusiasm.

This satisfies us, when the Lord gives meaning to our life, our obscurities, our doubts; he sees the meaning, and this meaning that the Lord gives satisfies us. Without him, everything would truly be grey. Adoring the Body and Blood of Christ, let us ask him with our heart: 'Lord, give me that daily bread to go forward, Lord, satisfy me with your presence'!

#### **MEETINGS**

**Ascent Group:** Tuesday 4th at 10.45am (Small Hall)

**SVP:** Tuesday 4th at 8pm (PRC)

Adult Catechesis: Wed 5th at 11.15am (Large Hall) & 7.45pm (Small Hall) Altar Server Training Parents' Meeting: Wednesday 5th at 6.30pm (Church)

RCIA: Wednesday 5th at 8pm (PRC) God in the Old Testament

UCM: Wednesday 5th at 8.15pm (Large Hall)

# **Hearing Loop**

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

#### LAST WEEK'S **OFFERTORY**

Gift Aid Envelopes 456.01 685.49 Loose cash

£ 1290.00 S/Os (*Approx*) Total £ 2431.50

#### **COLLECTIONS**

Last week's collection for Maryhill Secondary Girls' School, Uganda amounted to £415.50. Many thanks.

### **Mass Intentions This Week**

1 June: Saturday SAINT JUSTIN

10:00 Dec. Mems. Of the O'Donnell & Sweeney Families RIP

18:00 All Parishioners

2 June: CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

08:30 Ronald Rakusen RIP

10:00 UCM: All Young People Taking Exams 11:30 Joe Dolan RIP

3 June: Monday SAINT CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS

10:00 Alfred Nazareth & Family RIP

4 June: Tuesday

10:00 Darragh Crowley RIP

5 June: Wednesday SAINT BONIFACE

10:00 Deceased Brothers of the Norwood Catenian Circle and Families RIP

6 June: Thursday

10:00 José Fernandez RIP

19:30 Paul Fulop & John Daly RIP

7 June: Friday THE MOST SACRED **HEART OF JESUS** 

10:00 Joan McHugh RIP

8 June: Saturday THE IMMACULATE HEART OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00 25th Birthday Wishes for Freiner Fernandes

18:00 80th Birthday Wishes for Rita Nash

9 June: TENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Ian & Thecla Sulzdorf RIP

10:00 All Parishioners

11:30 Philomena Laughton RIP

\*\*\* DEFIBRILLATOR \*\*\*

A defibrillator is located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Phyllis Donnelly, Fr David Peck, Ethan Patel, Jonathan Leiper, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Marie Griffin, Ursula & Anthony Kennedy, Arthur Hughes, Peggy Wall & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Thomas O'Dwyer, Ann Byrne, Lesley Murphy, Dolores Wells, Emma Shawsmith, Iris Connolly, Charles Marenghi, Owen Fowler, Alice Salvi, Alfred Clark, Cherylyn Hislop, Daisy Mortimer, Doreen Stoyel, James Keating, Lucy Houlihan, Richard Gardiner, Livia Jackson, Arthur Fowler, H. John Martin, Henry Ellison, Mary Brown, Kathleen Rattigan, Bernard Masters, Paul Fulop, Mary Deakin, Joan McHugh, Ines Zampa, Mary Perera, Theodore Fernandes, Agustin Hernandez

#### SOUTHWARK DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING OFFICE: Contact email - safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk

#### **SOCIAL CLUB NEWS**

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

2nd June: Theresa Rodgers 9th June: TR Dallas

16th June: Shane & Mervyn Owens

23rd June: Kieran White

30th June: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

7th July: Pat Jordan 14th July: Glen Flynn 21st July: Cross Keys

- Shawn Cuddy & Curtis Magee will be appearing at the Social Club on Friday, 19th July from 7:30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the Brain Tumour Charity. Tickets at £10.00 each can be reserved by calling Ben Cahill on 07958 903410.

You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/

Auction.

#### RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

We are sad to announce the death of *Dan O'Donovan (Senior)* on Wednesday 29th May. His funeral will take place here at *Our Lady's on Friday 28th June at 10am*. Our sympathies go to the O'Donovan family at this difficult time.

Also, *Mary Conlan*, former headmistress of Thomas Moore school. Please keep Dan (Snr) & Mary in your prayers and may their gentle souls *Rest In Peace*.

#### NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The parents meeting for new Altar Servers will be on **Wednesday 5th June at 6:30pm in the Church**. Please attend if your child has received their First Holy Communion & wants to be an Altar Server.

#### ADORATION - Sunday 16th June 3 - 4pm

Our Padre Pio prayer group will lead Adoration on Sunday 16th June from 3 - 4pm in the church. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the large hall. *Please do join us!* 

**OUR PARISH ASCENT GROUP: Is part of Life Ascending International** in England, which is designed to meet the needs of Catholics, especially older members of the Church.

We invite a variety of speakers each year, who all teach and encourage us in an adult understanding of our faith, and in our personal prayer life.

All are welcome - 10.45am in the Small Hall.

4th June: Introduction to the St.Vincent de Paul Society in our parish 18th June: TBC

2nd July: Sr. Annette Lawrence, DMJ, 'The Treasure Within'

#### **GIFT AID ENVELOPES**

The new Gift Aid envelopes come into use this weekend! *Please DO NOT use your old envelopes, as they can no longer be counted towards Gift Aid, so will just be included as loose cash.* 

The 42 sets of envelopes still awaiting collection can now be found in the church porch. Please look out for them if have not collected your set yet. *Many thanks*.

#### AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE WITH MATHS? We can help!

We will be offering Maths tuition for years 1 to 'A' level On Sundays in Our Lady's small hall between 1 - 7pm.

To register your interest please contact:

Joseph 07714 203973 or Grace 07516 396009

**CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS:** Excerpts of documents, spoken about by Fr Tomasz during this catechesis, are now available to read on our website, under the **Adult Catechesis** tab.

Topic for this week: Marian Doctrines

For Collection: K Duignan

**Baptism certificates:** COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE **Rotas:** Eucharistic Ministers (June) Readers (May/June)

## COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR 2025 CALENDAR - LAST CHANCE!

#### Any last minute photos this week?

Please drop hard copies into the office for the attention of The Calendar Girls or email them to addiscombercchurch@gmail.com.

Thank you very much for all the support, pledges and photographs we have received to help with the production of the 2025 Calendar to kick start Centenary Celebrations of our Parish.

The Calendar Girls

#### **AUTUMN FAYRE 2024 PLANNING MEETING**

The first planning meeting for the Fayre will take place on *Wednesday, 19th June at 8pm in the Sacristy*. All members of the Parish Community are invited to attend.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE - CHURCH TOILET REPAIRS**

Please note that the **church toilet** located near the Sacred Heart Chapel, will be **OUT OF USE** from Monday 3rd June for 2 weeks, so that essential repairs can be carried out.

Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

## ♀ ⊗ OUR BIG LUNCH - TODAY!!! 🍆 😂

Representatives from Our Lady's Diversity Support Group and Wellbeing You are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our collaborative Greenest Big Lunch yet, TODAY - Sunday 2nd June starting from 1pm in the large hall.

See you then to have fun!

#### ANERLEY ACROSS LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The Anerley Across Charity will be leaving on their pilgrimage to Lourdes on Thursday, 6th June at 3pm from Our Lady of the Annunciation and will return on Saturday, 15th June at 9.15am approximately.

Anyone who would like a tour of the Jumbulance please come along on Thursday afternoon or when we return on the Saturday morning.

A special thank you to everyone who has helped with fundraising and supporting events in the Parish. You will all be remembered in our Mass at the Grotto in Lourdes. *Ben Cahill (Chairman)* 

**1st ADDISCOMBE GUIDES**: Are in need of the help and support of some volunteers to keep the group running. Sessions run on a Wednesday night 6 - 7.30pm (term time only) in the large hall. If you can spare a couple of hours a week to keep this unit running please **contact Louise at 1staddiscombeguides@gmail.com**.

SHIRLEY CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING: All are invited to this year's Churches Together Christian Aid Coffee Morning which will be held at 79 Shirley Way on Friday July 5th from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Donations of Raffle Prizes, items for the Bring and Buy table and offers of help, to Liz on 8777 4840 or at lizbeb@gmail.com.

## SVP & CAFOD WORKING TOGETHER IN THE RUN UP TO THE GENERAL ELECTION

As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter or svp.org.uk/encounter for more information.

#### ARCHDIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Archbishop John warmly invites you to join him as he leads the Southwark Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Details of this can be found on the Archdiocesan website: **rcaos.org.uk**. Experience the unique spirituality of Lourdes, along with people from parishes around the Archdiocese.