

St Matthew's Church Newsletter

PENTECOST SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)

9 JUNE 2019



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From Fr Anthony's Desk

The Women's Forum on Thursday evening was a great success: there was a very good attendance from the parish and beyond and the discussion, in the words of one of the participants was really fascinating and energising. There was enthusiasm for another such gathering, so I shall organise one for some time in July, this time open to everyone who would like to take part.

The degree of commitment to the Church as the People of God was evident, so hopefully we might be able to find a way to keep the conversation going. As this weekend we are celebrating the feast of Pentecost, we might ask the Holy Spirit to help us in our efforts for the deep renewal in the Church and our parish which was obviously the desire in the minds of those who answered the questionnaire of a few months ago. More about that soon.

Our Study of the Signs in the Fourth Gospel will begin next Thursday, 13th June at 7.30pm.

Order of Mass: Parish Mass Book Page 7

Readings in Parish Mass Book, page 286 (Vigil), 294 (Sunday)
 Vigil/9am Preface Pentecost, page 76
 Eucharistic Prayer III, page 28
 11am Eucharistic Prayer with Children

Response to the Intercessions:

...Lord, hear our prayer.

Next Sunday's Readings:

The Most Holy Trinity

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31
 Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5
 Gospel: John 16:12-15

SAFEGUARDING OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

If you have any concerns about safeguarding at St Matthew's please email: safeguardingstmatthewwn@gmail.com

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5:30-6:00pm and at call
 Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am
 Taizé Mass: Last Saturday of the month at 6:30pm

Fr Anthony will be available on Saturday 15th June between 10:30am-11:00am for general administration matters.

The Parish Office will be open from 9.30am to 3.30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Friday this week.

SATURDAY (VIGIL)	6:30pm	People of the Parish
SUNDAY 9TH JUNE	9:00am	Christina Reeves RIP
	11:00am	Paul Sanders RIP Anne Shaw RIP
MONDAY	-	No Mass
TUESDAY	10:15am	Eucharistic Service at The British Home Crown Lane SW16 3JB
	7:00pm	Eucharistic Service in the Presbytery
WEDNESDAY	9:30am	Annie Thompson (Foundation)
THURSDAY	9:30am	Zofia Zawieja RIP
FRIDAY	9:30am	Michelmina Potheary (Foundation)
SATURDAY (VIGIL)	6:30pm	Lucia & Ludwik Jozwiak RIP
SUNDAY 16TH JUNE	9:00am	Sarah's Intention
	11:00am	People of the Parish

FUNDRAISING CAKE SALE

On Sunday 16th June the SVP will be holding a coffee morning and cake sale in the parish hall at 12.00 noon [after the 11am Mass] to raise funds for our SVP Youth Programme and Childrens' Camps across England and Wales. Please do come and support us.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY

Queen of heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
 For he whom you did merit to bear; alleluia,
 Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
 Pray for us to God; alleluia.
 Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
 For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.

VOLUNTEER ROTAS IF YOU CANNOT FULFIL THE DUTY BELOW PLEASE SWAP WITH ANOTHER VOLUNTEER. THANK YOU.

HOUSE CALLS (16th) Mrs K Guest, Ms S Osho, Mrs J Swain, Mrs C Isamah, Mr T Cheng

READERS (15th/16th) Mr A Ouma (Sat 6:30pm), Mr M Vamboi (Sun 9am), Miss L Meerabux (11am)

OFFERTORY (15th/16th) Ms A Clay (6:30pm), H Matthews, F Rocca (9am), L'Arche Community (11am)

CHURCH CLEANING (10th) M Oliveira **(15th)** V Gyamfi, A Anson

FLOWER ARRANGING (15th) Mrs C Fallen

COUNTERS (9th) Ms B Cunningham, Mr J Remedios **(16th)** Ms K Kabanova, Mr S Swain

TEAS & COFFEES (9th) Mrs Schwartz, Mrs Sanders **(16th)** SVP

REQUIEM MASS FOR CHRISTINA REEVES RIP

We pray for the soul of Mrs Christina Reeves, who died on 29th May. Christina's Requiem Mass will take place at St Matthew's on **Tuesday 18th June at 12 noon.**

May she rest in peace.

A special message from Christina's Family

Ian, Aidan and Kieran Reeves thank all parishioners for their kind words and prayers for Christina. They have brought us much comfort. All are welcome to her funeral mass. We will not be wearing black.

No flowers please. There will be a collection for Sarcoma UK at the service. Alternatively there is a JustGiving page in the name of Mary Christina Reeves.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/marychristinareeves>

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

We continue to pray for all the sick and housebound members of our parish and of our wider community. They are remembered regularly at Mass at St Matthew's, at the weekly Mass at the British Home and at the Community Mass at Cheviot Gardens.

COMMUNITY MASS AND ANOINTING SERVICE AT CHEVIOT GARDENS

All parishioners are welcome to join with the residents at the sheltered housing development at 36 Cheviot Road, SE27 ODD for a Community Mass and Anointing Service on **Saturday 22nd June at 3pm.** The Mass will be followed by refreshments and all are welcome.

Volunteers are required please to assist with transport or to serve refreshments after the Mass.

Please call the parish office on 020 8670 1765 or email norwoodwest@rcaos.org.uk if you can help.

Companionship is always warmly welcomed too. It's a great chance to chat to existing friends and make new ones.

If you require transport to attend the Mass please contact the parish office on 020 8670 1765.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thur 13th June	7:30pm Scripture Talk: <i>Study of the Signs in the Fourth Gospel</i>
Sat 22nd June	3:00pm Community Mass at Cheviot Gardens
Sat 29th June	British Home Summer Fair
Sun 30th June	12-4pm St Joseph's Primary School Summer Fiesta

UCM CAKE SALE FOR EMMAUS

Last Sunday's UCM cake sale raised £104.40 for the local homeless charity, Emmaus. Thank you for your support.

CLEANER REQUIRED

A vacancy has arisen for a Cleaner to work in the Presbytery, Parish Hall, Office, Church, etc.

The post will be for 4 hours a week.

Salary scale: £10-£12 per hour dependant on experience, paid monthly by Diocesan payroll.

Probationary period to be agreed.

Fixed term contract initially for three months.

Please contact the Parish Office for an application form and to arrange an interview.

CLOSING DATE: 24.06.2019.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK

The Catholic Trust for England and Wales (CaTEW) (formerly the National Catholic Fund) supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops' Conference, its departments, agencies and offices. This collection helps supply the Bishops of England and Wales with the revenue necessary for the central administration of the Church in this country.

ANNUAL DAY OF CELEBRATION

Southwark's annual day of celebration for the disabled will be held on **Sunday 7 July** at The Friars, Aylesford 12-4pm. People with disabilities and their carers from across the archdiocese and beyond are invited for a joyous day of prayer, art, music and fun.

Archbishop Peter Smith will celebrate a memorial Mass for the recently deceased founder of L'Arche, Jean Vanier at 12 noon. Mass is followed by a picnic in the grounds (please bring packed lunch).

Workshops will include a mini petting zoo with everything from hawks and snakes to giant cockroaches and skunks. The art workshop will explore the theme of the day with colourful displays and fun activities. Hone your circus skills with our entertainer Circus Rico!

The day is organised by the Centre for Catholic Formation and is free for all.