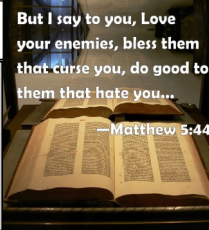




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Sunday Masses: Saturday Evening:6pm; Sunday:10am & 5pm. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm or by request.
Sacrament of Baptism: 12noon Sunday contact the Parish Office **Weddings:** Contact Parish Office: 6 months notice required .

Parish Office Opening: The office is not always covered so if your call is not answered, please leave a message and we will get back

SEVENTH SUNDAY:YEAR A: 23 FEBRUARY 2020: DAY FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

Happy birthday to all those celebrating their birthday this week

23 February, Sunday	6.00pm	Harry Lock Jr RIP	(Colin and Katina Lawrence)	
	10.00am	Lucretia Tamakloe RIP - 1st anniversary	(Christine and Margaret)	
	5.00pm	People of the Parish		
24 Feb, Monday	9.30am	Bridget and Bert Admans RIP	(K&J Hobin)	<i>Feria</i>
25 Feb, Tuesday	9.30am	Kevin and Noreen Simpson & family	(Tim & Ellen Cott)	<i>Feria</i>
26 Feb, Wednesday	ASH WEDNESDAY, A DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE			
27 Feb, Thursday	9.30am	Ral Ogbah on his birthday	(Eugenia Ogbah)	
	8.00pm	Macky Ogbah on his birthday	(Eugenia Ogbah)	
	9.30am	Joseph Nguyen Van Thu	(Michael Vo)	<i>Feria</i>
28 Feb, Friday	9.30am	Emil Bakelmun RIP	(Bakelmun family)	<i>Feria</i>
29 Feb, Saturday	6.00pm	Legion of Mary meet in the Presbytery		
	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Stations of the Cross followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration		
	9.30am	Denis & Nora O'Leary and family's well being	(Tim & Ellen Cott)	<i>Feria</i>

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT:YEAR A: 1 MARCH 2020

Second collection today for poor parishes: this collections enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the diocese.

1 March, Sunday	6.00pm	Eileen & Bernard Smith RIP	(Tom & Kath Smith)
	10.00am	Nsika family's intentions: asking for God's blessings	(Eugenia Ogbah)
	5.00pm	People of the Parish	

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick and the Housebound: Karon Phillips-Allen, Bob Driscoll, Monica Whitaker, Rachel Camozzi-Jones, Jackie Rennie, Paul Foley, Joe Grandy, Agnes Parker, Alan Fitzsimons, Trixie Durey, Sandra Newman, Margaret Bondarenko, Lucas Lekule, Mike Harris, Catherine Leeper, Joanna Connors, Annette Bain, Angelita (Lili) Mendoza, Gerard Quirke, Camillo Atampugre, Joseph Many, Doreen Grandon, Anthony O'Doherty, Thelma Harnett, Anna Mellon, Maria Mottau, Danielle Papie, Rod Feeney, Mary Grace Cruz, Margot Nimmo, Tina Borland, Sadie Felton, Barbara Hills, Seán Needham, Olympia Balugay, Lewis Usher, George Mihalda, Luigi Rispoli, Winston Coutinho, Sr Francis, Celia Hayward, Andrew Ronayne, Javier Carpentier, Eoin Garvey, Colman Joyce, Theo Foley and all those not listed here.

Prayer for the sick and housebound: *“Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son in this Eucharist. We now place before you all the sick and housebound of the Parish. As they share in this Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them, and the joy, peace and healing of your presence. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.”*

Please remember those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls rest in peace.

Pope Francis's Tweet: “To follow Jesus we must take three steps: draw close to Him to know Him better, confess - with the strength of the Holy Spirit - that He is the Son of God, and accept the path of humility and humiliation that He chose for the redemption of humanity. ”

Extract from the Pope's Lenten message: *“ Dear friends, Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbour. The Lord, who overcame the deceptions of the Tempter during the forty days in the desert, shows us the path we must take. May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God's word, be purified of the sin that blinds us, and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need. I encourage all the faithful to express this spiritual renewal also by sharing in the Lenten Campaigns promoted by many Church organizations in different parts of the world, and thus to favour the culture of encounter in our one human family. Let us pray for one another so that, by sharing in the victory of Christ, we may open our doors to the weak and poor. Then we will be able to experience and share to the full the joy of Easter. ”*

The Holy Father's universal prayer intention for February: Listen to the Migrants' Cries: We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.



At a Glance

- **Choir practice** - 15 minutes before 10am Mass on Sunday.
- **Baptism Course:** every 1st Sunday of the month at 12 Noon followed by Baptism on the last Sunday of each month at 12 Noon (unless exceptionally agreed with Fr Anton).
- **Meeting for Newcomers to the Parish** - 3rd Sunday every month after the 10am Mass.

Parish Finances:

Parish Offering:
w/e 16/02/20 : £672.04

Thank you for your generosity.

Children's Liturgy:

This week's children's liturgy is lead by Michelle Dias.

Rosary: please join us for the rosary at **9am every Saturday before the morning Mass.**

The **first Saturday** of each month is devoted to the **Fatima Rosary** which is a special devotion to Our Lady of Fatima.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome to all who are new to this Parish. Fr Anton and the parishioners look forward to meeting you. There will be a meeting for all newcomers on the 3rd Sunday of each month **immediately after the 10am Mass.**

Tea and coffee is available in the Parish Hall every Sunday after the 10am Mass . All welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020: . The next session will be on **Saturday, 29th February at 10.15am.**

CONFIRMATION 2020: The next session is on **Sunday, 23rd February at 6pm.**

YEAR OF THE WORD OF GOD: The next meeting of the **Lectio Divina** will be held on **Thursday, 27 February from 6 - 7pm.**

THE LENTEN SEASON begins with Ash Wednesday on 26 February. It is a period of preparation for the celebration of the Easter. There will be **2 Masses on Ash Wednesday at 9.30am and 8pm and ashes will be blessed at both masses.** Additionally, there will be a Mass at 11am at Holy Family School. **Ash Wednesday is also a day of fasting and abstinence.** I do hope you will make every effort to attend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross every Friday morning immediately after the 9.30am Mass and in the evening at 7pm followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration.

FAMILY LITURGY: Thank you to **Dominique Quinn** for producing the third activity sheet (now available in the Church porch) for families as part of our celebration of The Year of the Word of God. This month's story is Noah's Ark. Please take one to share with your children or grandchildren.

SAFEGUARDING: To all members of the parish who have been given a DBS and other forms to fill in - **Dominique Quinn** will be available in the presbytery from 7pm -8pm on Ash Wednesday and then for an hour after 10am and 5pm mass next Sunday 1st February to verify identification and send the forms back to the diocese. **If you cannot meet at any of those times, or have any questions about safeguarding in the parish, please email Dominique at kidbrookesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk.**

SJK 200 CLUB: The current period of the 200 Club is due to end on 31 March 2020. Thank you to everyone who participated. This raised £2000 for the Church after the disbursement of prizes.

It is now time to renew membership for the new period. Last year we sold 124 shares with some members buying more than 1 share. We hope that we can count on your continued support and also aim (with your help) to sell more shares this year and to encourage new members. There is a monthly draw with a 1st Prize of £50 and 2nd Prize of £25. In addition there is a £100 prize drawn at Easter and Christmas. Please pick up a leaflet from the porch which sets out the terms and conditions as well as an application form. Each share costs just £25

annually. Members of the Social Committee will be on hand after all masses to receive your application form and also to answer any questions you may have.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE 2020: Watch this space for further details of a day trip to Minster Abbey in Kent in June.

Trip to the Holy Land: thank you to all those who have indicated interest in this trip. Ideally we would need to have at least 20 people to ensure that we keep costs down to a minimum. The Group are continuing to look at options and we will let you have further details as soon as possible. In the meantime and without any commitment, please sign the list in the porch if you are interested in such a trip.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION: every Friday evening and Saturday morning and a day long exposition on the First Friday of each month.

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES RE CORONAVIRUS

The Bishops advise that the **key things for Parishes** to do are to:

1. ensure that everyone maintains good hygiene especially at Mass and Parish gatherings.
2. Anyone with cold or flu symptoms should consider refraining from taking communion from the Chalice and receive the host on the hand only - [we should be doing this anyway if we feel unwell.]
3. Ministers of the Eucharist should sanitise their hands before and after distributing communion.
4. **There is no need, as things stand, for the Chalice to be withdrawn or the sign of peace to be suspended, such as was advised during the 2009 Flu Pandemic.** This would only come if we had a very serious epidemic in the UK and, at the time of writing, this seems unlikely.

We are aware that some local parishes have chosen to withdraw the Chalice and the sign of peace, but we do not intend to do so at this stage. We have, however, provided sanitiser in the porch and we would encourage people to use this as they enter and leave the Church.

If you feel uncomfortable shaking hands with your neighbour, please clasp your hands together and bow to them instead. We will also continue to monitor the situation very carefully and let you know of any changes.