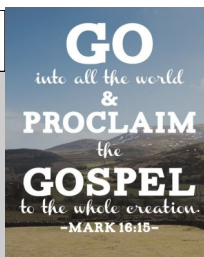




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Sunday Masses: Saturday Evening: 6pm Sunday: 10.00am & 5pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm
Sacrament of Baptism: 12noon Sunday contact the Parish Office **Weddings:** Contact Parish Office: 6 months notice required
Coffee Morning: Sunday after 10.00am Mass in the Parish Hall

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Year A: 5 FEBRUARY 2017:

Next Sunday, Racial Justice Sunday: second collection taken to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society.

5 Feb. Sunday	6pm 10am 5pm	Ann Price RIP (Dorothy and family) In thanksgiving for the People of the Parish (Brian & Reeni D'Oliveira) Peter Frankland RIP (Marie Coles)	
6 Feb. Monday	9.30am	Martin McManus RIP <i>Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs, Memorial</i>	
7 Feb. Tuesday	9.30am	John & Mary Lenihan's intentions (Tim & Ellen Cott)	<i>Feria</i>
8 Feb. Wednesday	9.30am	Nuala Tappenden's intentions (Bernadette Walters) <i>Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin: Day for Victims of Trafficking</i>	
9 Feb. Thursday		NO MASS TODAY	
10 Feb. Friday	9.30am	Philomena Graham RIP (Roddy & Muriel) <i>Saint Scholastica, Virgin, Memorial</i>	
11 Feb. Saturday	10 - 10.30am 9.30am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction Anthony Fernandes RIP (Celia & Lawrence Hayward) <i>Our Lady of Lourdes: World Day for the Sick</i>	

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Year A: 12 FEBRUARY 2017: RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

12 Feb, Sunday	6pm 10am 5pm	Pat O'Reilly and family's intentions (Tim & Ellen Cott) Constance Stella Dunkin RIP People of the Parish	
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Please Remember to Pray for the Sick and the Housebound: Karon Phillips-Allen, Bob & Joan Driscoll, Monica Whitaker, Rachel Camozzi-Jones, Jackie Rennie, Fr John Lavery, Paul Foley, Joe Grandy, Dora Genga, Alice McMorro, Alan Goldsmith, Nora McCarthy, Agnes Parker, Alan Fitzsimons, Trixie Durey, Sandra Newman, Margaret Bondarenko, Selwyn Mohammed, Fr Eric Nimmo, Lucas Lekule, Mary Coughlan, Mike Harris, Catherine Leeper, Brian D'Oliveira, Joanna Connors, Keith Phillips-Allen, Tony Tsangari, Annette Bain, Angelita (Lili) Mendoza, Anne Donnelly, Dolores Edwards, Gerard Quirke, Emily Longua, Alan and Vera Molloy, Neil Donnelly and Camillo Atampugre.

Please remember those who have died recently, especially **Sr Marie Buckley (Sr Francis' colleague), David Flower (Terry Mellon's nephew), Mrs Catherine Botchey (Candy's mum)**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls rest in peace. We remember also the families who mourn their loss.

Baptisms: Please pray for **Harvey Rio Harris** and **Kwaku Boakye** who were baptized in the church and for **Blake Thomas Folan** who will be baptized next weekend. We also ask for God's blessings and guidance for the parents and godparents.

Christians and the World

"You are the salt of the earth"; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

"You are the light of the world." A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven..." *Matthew 5:13-16*

It is encouraging to know that to be a Christian is more than praying and preparing a clear path for ourselves to heaven. Jesus does not just call us to be 'salt' or 'light' to the world, but He confirms these qualities in us. And, by having faith in Him, we automatically acquire certain qualities, which should enable others to taste and see them in us. Some of the common obstacles to these attributes are negativity and selfishness. Our inability to see and appreciate good in others. Let us pray that this week, we may bring taste where bitterness is striving and shine light where darkness is prevailing, both in our families and in our Parish community. *Fr Arbo*



At a Glance

- 7pm every Wednesday in the Church Hall: skillz@sjfk: for those aged 16 or under.
- 9am Pray the Rosary every Saturday before Mass
- 8pm Every Thursday: AA meeting in the church hall.
- 5 February, 6pm: Confirmation candidates meet
- 23 February, 7.30pm RCIA
- 28 January: 10.15am First Holy Communion session

Parish Finances:

Offering: For the upkeep of the Parish: 29 Jan 2017:

Total collection was £ 831.42 including £295.35 from Standing Orders. Potential Gift Aid £99.70.

Thank you all for your generosity.

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid or to donate by Standing Order, please pick up the relevant forms for this purpose from the porch.

Fr Eric continues to receive good care at the Fountain Lodge, Tunbridge Wells Tel: 01892682290.

Please continue to keep him in your prayers and if you are able to pay him a brief visit, he would be pleased to see you.

Website

Please note that the **Parish website** is temporarily unavailable. We were unable to continue the subscription of the site due to a number of problems. A new one is under construction and we hope it will be live soon.

easyfundraising .org.uk

The easy-fundraising will resume as soon as the new site is in operation. Sorry for the inconvenience

Fr Arbo on Retreat: He will be away from the evening of Sunday, 5 February to the morning of Saturday, 11 February. Please keep him in your prayers.

We are grateful to Fr Malcolm who will be covering all the masses in Fr Arbo's absence. Please note, however, that there will be no morning Mass on Thursday, 9 February.

Confirmations 2017:

The next session for candidates is on **Sunday, 5 February 2017 at 6pm.** You are reminded that mass attendance is an essential part of the programme.

First Holy Communion 2017:

The dates for the parents' sessions have been revised. Please check your emails, WhatsApp or collect a new programme from the office. Parents are reminded that Sunday Mass attendance is essential to the programme. The next session is on **Saturday, 18th February 2017 at 10.15am.** Parents, please ensure your child/children turn up on time.

Prayer Sponsors: If you would like to sponsor a child/children from the First Holy Communion programme, please enter your name against the name of the children on the list provided in the porch.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

programme resumes next meeting **Thursday, 23rd February 7:30pm** in the presbytery. If you are interested to become a Catholic or complete your Sacraments of initiation, please contact Parish Office.

Clergy Support Fund Campaign

You will recall that we advised you a little while ago of this campaign. Archbishop Peter Smith would like every Catholic in the Diocese to have an opportunity to hear about the needs of sick and retired priests and how you can lend your support to this fundraising campaign to raise £4.5m over the next four years.

Cards are being distributed at all masses this weekend so that everyone who would like to know more about the needs of our sick and retired priests will have an opportunity to do so. If you

would like to hear more, please fill in a card and post it in the collection box at the back of the church porch today. You will receive a personal invitation to a presentation, including times and dated, which will take place before Easter in our Parish Hall. Only one card need be completed per family, as provision will be made for other family members to attend.

skillz@sjfk: For our Youth

16 or under? Confirmed? Got questions about faith and the world around you? skillz@sjfk is a new group for post-confirmation young people up to the age of 16, which will discuss modern day issues and explore how we can use faith to guide us in facing and tackling them. Why not turn up on Wednesday at 7pm and find out more.

Mass intentions - if you wish to offer a **Mass for a loved one** or a friend or indeed offer a Mass for your personal intention, please fill in a brown envelope with details, post it through the Presbytery or hand it to Fr Arbo.

200 Club - are you willing to help run a 200 Club in our Parish?

It is a good source of fund raising and was very successful in this Parish some years ago. If you would like to help, please speak to Fr Arbo or a member of the Finance Committee.

Rosary : join us for the Rosary every Saturday at 9am before the Morning Mass. The 1st Saturday of the month is devoted to the Fatima Rosary which is a special devotion to Our Lady.

Fatima Centenary celebrations:

the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of our Lady of Fatima (which visited our Parish last year) is to be received in Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday, 18 February 2017** and will remain there until **Sunday, 19 February.** The Programme starts with a procession followed by blessing and crowning of the Statue and **Mass** lead by **Cardinal Vincent Nichols at 2pm.** There will also be an opportunity to venerate the Relics of Blessed Jacinta and Francisco. Please see flyers in porch. All welcome.

Teas & Coffees in the Hall after 10am

Nursery in the Parish Hall: After a consultation with the Parish Finance Committee and the diocese, we have agreed to rent the hall to a nursery school from Monday to Friday 8am to 6:30pm. The school intend to open as soon as they have received a registration from the Council and a clearance from Ofsted. Apart from being an outreach to the community and keep the parish site actively occupied, the school will also generate a much needed income to the Parish.

Red Box: Please note that the empty red boxes are ready for collection in the porch. The charity Missio expresses profound gratitude to members of the red box. If you would like to know more or be a member, please contact the office.

He who loses money, loses much; He who loses a friend, loses more; He who loses faith, loses all.