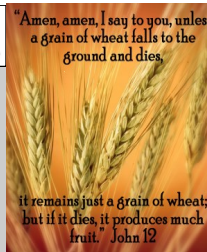




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Sunday Masses: Saturday Evening: 6pm Sunday: 10.00am & 5pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm
Sacrament of Baptism: 12noon Sunday contact the Parish Office **Weddings:** Contact Parish Office: 6 months notice required
Coffee Morning: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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Year A: 2 APRIL 2017: ADULT CHRISTIAN INITIATION: THIRD SCRUTINY
Happy Birthday to all those celebrating their birthdays this week.

2 April, Sunday	6pm 10am 5pm	Colin Short RIP Emmanuel and Janet Oputu RIP People of the Parish	(Annie Kent) (Zase Oputu)	
3 April, Monday	9.30am	Michael Murphy RIP	(Margaret Riley)	<i>Feria</i>
4 April, Tuesday	9.30am	Derrington Melder RIP	(Moirra & Mike Spilsbury)	<i>Feria</i>
5 April, Wednesday	9.30am	Neil Donnelly RIP	(Anne Romano)	<i>Feria</i>
6 April, Thursday	9.30am	Bryan Cockle's intentions	(Bryan Cockle)	<i>Feria</i>
7 April, Friday	9.30am 10 - 10.30am 7.30pm - 8.00pm	All souls in Purgatory Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross	(Mrs Ferriere)	<i>Feria</i>
8 April, Saturday	9.30am	Nora Levine RIP	(Celia & Laurence Hayward)	<i>Feria</i>

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Year A: 9 APRIL 2017

9 April, Sunday	6pm 10am 5pm	Mary Finneran RIP Eugene Forde RIP Fr Richard Plunkett's well being	(Maureen McGlynn) (Agnes Forde) (Rita Dawes)
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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, 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, Tony Tsangari, Annette Bain, Angelita (Lili) Mendoza, Anne Donnelly, Dolores Edwards, Gerard Quirke, Emily Longua, Alan and Vera Molloy, Camillo Atampugre, Joseph Many, Hilary Grandon, Anthony O'Doherty, Angelito Cruz, Thelma Harnett, Louise Magill and Anna Mellon.

Please remember those who have died recently, especially **Lucy Anyango, Fr Cyril Elkington, Alan Goldsmith, Jeridah Oloya, Maria Samy** (a former parishioner) 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 **Joan (Princess) Winfunke** and **Daniel Adekoyejo Mabo** who were baptized recently. We also ask you to pray for God's blessings and guidance for their parents and godparents.

The missing hand and hammer!

When the KS2 children from our Holy Family Primary school came for the Stations of the Cross, one child was curious enough to discover something interesting. It pleased him when he noticed that one of the soldiers is missing a hand and a hammer. He asked me if I did it to stop him hurting Jesus! At first I was not happy that this beautiful work of sacred art had been damaged. But I then realised why the child was happy. If any of us could stop someone from seriously hurting another, we would certainly try to do something to help. Stations of the Cross are a unique liturgy during the time of Lent. Many of us don't seem to have time for it. But once you have been at this liturgy a few times, you will make every effort to be there, no matter what. It is a

painful story. It was real 2000 years ago and it is real today. If you are the one who destroyed this station of the cross, you may have meant well, but go to confession and discourage others from being tempted. Otherwise, half of them may be in pieces. Let the images and the story be there as a witness to the suffering of Jesus and the suffering of many innocents around the world.

If you have missed the Stations of the Cross throughout this Lent, you have one last chance –next Friday is the last session before Holy Week. If you can't make it in the morning, come at 7:30pm. You will receive an abundance of grace and blessings.

If you are going away, may I wish you a Holy Week full of blessings and a Happy Easter. **Fr Arbo**



At a Glance

- **7pm** every Wednesday in the Church Hall: **skillz@sjfk: for those aged 16 or under.**
- **6pm** every Monday Choir practice in Church
- **10am Stations of the Cross** - every Friday after the morning Mass and evening **7.30pm.**
- **9am Pray the Rosary** every Saturday before Mass
- **8pm Every Thursday:** AA meeting in the church hall.
- **2 April, 6pm:** Confirmation candidates meet
- **6 April, 7.30pm** RCIA
- **10 April 7.30pm:** Penitential Service
- **22 April: 10.15am** First Holy Communion session

Parish Finances:

Offering: For the upkeep of the Parish: 26 March 2017:
Total collection was **£714.09** including £249.50 from Standing Orders. Potential Gift Aid **£77.99.**
Thank you all for your generosity.

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid or donate by Standing Order, please complete a relevant form 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 easyfundraising.org.uk

Check out our new website **www.sjfkcc.org.uk** and if you Shop Online why not join easy fundraising? There is no cost and no catch and you will help raise free donations for the Parish each time you shop. Please see the **Parish website for further details.** Over 40 parishioners have already signed up, why don't you?

Easter Programme - please remember to take a programme home and perhaps an extra one for a friend, neighbour or someone you know who may like to join us in our Easter services.

Easter Egg Hunt and refreshments for adults in the presbytery garden. after the Easter Sunday, 10am Mass. Contributions for the Easter hamper are welcome. Tickets for the Easter hamper on sale after all the masses. The money raised will go towards new hymn books or screens.

Easter Preparations Working bee Event Saturday 8 April 10am to 12noon. Please come and spare us an hour+ to fix the marquee and prepare for the Easter party.

Easter Flowers Appeal: White and Yellow preferred. Please bring them to the church or presbytery by Wednesday 12 April.

Easter Altar servers' Training: All Altar Servers are reminded to come to train ing sessions for general principles of serving and also in preparation for our Easter celebrations. Training sessions will be on Saturdays; **1 April, 8 April and 15 April at 10am.** You will not be able to serve at our Easter celebrations if you have not attended one of these sessions. Please email Keith Phillips kitphil2@aol.com or speak to Fr Arbo or call the Parish office for more information.

Social Committee next meeting Monday 10 April 6:30pm all welcome. Come and get to know your fellow parishioners and have some fun helping out at the parish events.

First Holy Communion 2017: Please keep our children in your prayers as they now prepare for their First Holy Communion in June. There is now a break for Easter and the next session is on **Saturday, 22nd April 2017 at 10.15am.** Parents, please do bring your children to Sunday Mass during the break as their attendance is essential to the programme.

Confirmations 2017 The next session for candidates is this **Sunday, 2 April 2017 at 6pm.** You are reminded that mass attendance is an

essential part of the programme.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) programme continues. The next meeting is on **Thursday, 6 April at 7:30pm** in the Church. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or wish to complete your Sacraments of initiation, please contact the Parish Office.

Holy Family Vacancies:

Head teacher:- closing date 28th April.
Senior Meals Supervisor: -closing date 18th April. Class Teacher - closing date 18th April. Nursery Teacher - closing date 18th April. Find details on: www.holyfamily.greenwich.sch.uk/vacancies/

Clergy Support Fund Campaign Thank you to all who completed a card last weekend. Those who have completed one will receive a personal invitation to a presentation together with details of the times of the presentations, which will take place before Easter. 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 did not fill in the cards and would like to take part please speak to Keith Phillips or Fr Arbo. Thank you.

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

Parish Bereavement Group The Parish Justice and Peace group is planning to re-start an on-going bereavement group in the parish. If you are interested in such a group, please fill in a form from the porch and place it in the box provided.

Community Hospice -Greenwich & Bexley Hospice will be holding a Spring Coffee Morning on Saturday, 22nd April, 10am -1pm at 185, Bostal Hill, Abbey Wood, SE2 0GB. More info on: www.communityhospice.org.uk. Or call on: 020 8319 9230

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Don't miss Teas & Coffees after the 10am Mass in the Hall.

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