

## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH CLAPHAM

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Sunday Masses: 5.30 pm (Sat Vigil), 8 am, 10 am & 12 noon

Weekday Masses: 7 am, 12.30 pm

Saturday Masses: 9.30 am, 12.30 pm

Confessions on Saturday: 10 am - 10.30 am, 4.45 pm - 5.15 pm, 6.30 - 7 pm, 7.30 pm - 8 pm

Novena Devotions: 7 pm every Saturday

### 6 JANUARY 2008 – THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!

**PRAYER INTENTION:** As part of God's family committed to daily prayer, we pray that we may be an Epiphany of God's presence to everyone we meet as we celebrate the feast.

**Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick:** Peggy Barter, Bob Buss, Marie Chircop, Coco Parylo.

**Anniversaries that occur at this time:** Janina Gaczol, John Connor,

**Those who have died recently:** Carmen Portelli, Adebanih Akehale, Maurice Bransfield.

**CSsR Anniversaries:** Frs William Haig, John Bullen, Edward Corish, Wilfrid Hughes, Charles Dorrian, Brs George Scanlan, Bartholomew O'Brien, Mark Griffin, Gerard McMorrow.

**LifeXtra** resumes on **Saturday mornings, 26 January, 2nd and 9th February 2008.** 10 am – 1pm in St Mary's Clapham (in the Monastery). **All are welcome** to this exciting programme which brings together the life of Jesus with our own human development. (LifeXtra began with three weekends in October last year but all are welcome to take part in these completely new sessions which look to our personal growth). For further information and registration details visit [www.lifextra.co.uk](http://www.lifextra.co.uk) or contact Fr John Trenchard on 07771 965935.

**Last Sunday's Collection:** envelopes £259.90 loose plate £1008.56 Next Weekend a retiring collection for: **The Society For The Protection Of Unborn Children.**

### SUNDAY 30 DECEMBER

- Children (Year 3) who regularly worship at St Mary's Church and wish to make their **First Holy Communion this year** are asked to collect a form from Madge after Mass today (return by 20 January). Parents of children at St Mary's School who attend another parish, but would like their child to celebrate their First Reconciliation and Communion with their school friends must obtain a letter of permission from their parish priest.
- 10 am **Children's Liturgy Group** meet in the monastery prayer room. *Ensure your child, age 4 years – 9 years old, is at the monastery reception by 9.55 am.*

### MONDAY 7 JANUARY

- 7 am Mass resumes today.
- The **Prayer Room** will re-open at 10 am – 7 pm for quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Entrance via the Monastery Reception.
- **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** group meet at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Conference Room, (small hall) on St Alphonsus Road.

### TUESDAY 8 JANUARY

- 4 pm – 7 pm **parish surgery** with Fr Ralph.
- 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm in the monastery prayer room, **Lectio Divina**, an opportunity to reflectively read the scriptures and discover the Word of God at work in our every day lives.

### THURSDAY 10 JANUARY

- 8 pm **Baptism Preparation** in St Mary's Conference Room for those who made prior arrangements with Father Ralph.

### FRIDAY 11 JANUARY

- **12.30 pm Requiem Mass** for Maurice Bransfield RIP.
- 1 pm – 3 pm **Craft Group** (sewing, knitting and crafts) meet in St Mary's Conference Room. All are welcome.