

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

20 JANUARY 2008 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Here I am Lord! I come to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

PRAYER INTENTION: As part of God's family committed to daily prayer, we pray we pray especially for those who promote the unity of the churches and in particular for the work of Churches Together in Clapham.

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

Anniversaries that occur at this time: Maureen Coyne, George Hibbert, Mary Giblin, Harry Brady, Patrick McGerr, Bridget Finn, Stephen Wolski, Annie Lynch.

Those who have died recently: Robbie Naidu, Philis Chamberlain, John O'Donovan.

CSSR Anniversaries: Frs John Burke, John Lindsay, James MacHugh, Brs Wilfrid Pemberton, Eugene O'Sullivan, Timothy Collopy, Christopher Poole.

LifeXtra resumes Saturday mornings, 26 January, 2nd and 9th February, 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 week-ends 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 or contact Fr John Trenchard on 07771 965935.

House Mass During Lent: Are you interested in a House Mass where Father Ralph will come to your home and celebrate Mass for you, your family or friends. If you would like to host a Mass then please would you sign the form on the church notice board which has the available dates.

PEACE SUNDAY 20 JANUARY

- There will be a retiring collection for **Retiring Collection for Catholic Education Service**.
- **Readers' Rota and Welcomers' Rota** are ready for collection.
- 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 (at Reception) after Mass today (**return today, 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.*
- After the 10 am Mass there will be a showing of a recent **DVD produced by the Bishops of USA**, which clearly explains the science of stem cell research and **why research of human embryos is not necessary**. The DVD takes 15 minutes and will be shown in St Mary's Conference Room
- **Church Unity Octave, Churches Together in Clapham Service** at 6.30 pm here at St Mary's Church, followed by refreshments in St Mary's Hall.

MONDAY 21 JANUARY

- The **Church Transept** will be open in the afternoons Monday – Friday from 2 pm – 6 pm.
- The **Prayer Room** will be open Monday – Friday from 10 am – 7 pm for quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Requiem Mass for **John O'Donovan RIP** at 1.15 pm.
- 4 pm – 7 pm **parish surgery** with Fr Ralph.
- **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.

FRIDAY 25 JANUARY

- 1 pm – 3 pm **Craft Group** (sewing, knitting and crafts) meet in St Mary's Conference Room. All are welcome.

Last Sunday's Collection: envelopes £266.00 loose plate £1045.48 **The Society For The Protection Of Unborn Children** collection: £288.66