

First Sunday of Lent (B) Gen 9: 8-15; Ps 24; 1 Pet 3: 18-22; Mark 1: 12-15	
Saturday 20th February 2021 5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions 6:30pm: Fr Mike Gwinnell RIP (DG)	Sunday 21st February 2021 8:30am: People of the Parish 09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy of the Word on ZOOM 10:30am: Thanksgiving Lee and Vicky Clark (on ZOOM)
ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION OF ST. MARY OF THE CRAYS <i>(The Chair of St. Peter, the Apostle)</i> Mon. 22nd Feb. 2021 07:30-9:00am: Adoration 9:15am: Jeremiah Callahan RIP (J & M Saunders)	Tues. 23rd Feb. 2021 (Feria) (St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr) 07:30-9:00am: Adoration 9:15am: Holy Souls
Weds. 24th Feb. 2021 (Feria) 07:30-09:00am: Adoration 9:15am: Private Intention (DG) 11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom Dianne Oxley (LSU)	Thurs. 25th Feb. 2021 (Feria) (St. Ethelbert, King) 07:30-9:00am: Adoration 9:15am: David Hull RIP (H. Davies)
Lenten CAFOD Fast Day Fri. 26th February 2021 (Feria) 07:30-9:00am: Adoration 9:15am: Special Intention (JR) 7:00pm Holy Rosary (on Zoom)	Sat. 27th February 2021 (Feria) 11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom
Second Sunday of Lent (B) Gen 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Ps 115; Rom 8: 31-34; Mark 9: 2-10	
Saturday 27th February 2021 5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions 6:30pm: All my friends at St. Mary's (Valerie Hull)	Sunday 28th February 2021 8:30am: John and Brian Griffith RIP (Coombs) 09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy of the Word on ZOOM 10:30am: People of the Parish (on ZOOM)

ALIVE THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

We die to the world, the flesh and the devil and **rise to live for God** through the **waters of Baptism**. We will still be tempted by the world, the flesh and the devil, as Christ was in the wilderness, but if we fall and when we sin, and if we repent and really **believe the Gospel** and come back to the LORD, through the **Sacrament of Penance, Pardon and Peace (CONFESSION)** then we have nothing to fear. The LORD God is faithful to those who keep their promises to Him and as we are **promised to God through Baptism**.



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*(part of the Roman Catholic
Archdiocese of Southwark)*

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Welcome - Worship - Witness

WITH GREAT THANKS TO
ALL OUR STEWARDS:

ST MARY'S IS OPEN

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
and on

SATURDAY and SUNDAY
AT THE USUAL TIMES.

N.B. CHILDREN'S LITURGY
OF THE WORD **ON ZOOM**
****09:40-10:10AM****

FOR THIS AND THE ZOOM CODES
FOR 10:30AM HOLY MASS

PLEASE CONTACT ANUSHA ON:

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The Most Holy Rosary, **ON ZOOM**,
with Exposition and Benediction of the
Most Blessed Sacrament will be held in
Church every Friday of Lent at 7:00pm
Meeting ID: 840 8142 6950
Passcode: 429 686

CONFESSIONS

MAY BE HEARD

- IN THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY

ROOM - WHENEVER THE

CHURCH IS OPEN, AND

BY APPOINTMENT, AND ON

REQUEST. PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL

TO ARRANGE A REASONABLE TIME.

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS: 13th/14th February 2021

Gift Aid: £ 74.00 & Loose Plate: £105.77

Second Collection Poorer Parishes: £ 20.00

The Total Crib Offerings for **The Catholic Children's Society** and **The Friends of the Holy Land** amounted to: **£ 502.48**
Thank you for your generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David*

THE SEASON OF LENT

When we begin the Season of Lent, we enter the wilderness with the Lord Jesus in order to understand more about Him and about ourselves as the person He loves, the person He calls, the person He invites to die and rise with Him.

Perhaps, the past few months have already felt like an experience of Lent, and even more so of the desert. I think we all have a sense of this.

This particular Lent, however, maybe we can focus more clearly and simply on our inner attentiveness to the Lord, our relationship of friendship with Christ, desiring to place Him more centrally in our heart so that we might deepen the love we have for the Lord our God and for loving our neighbour as ourselves.

By accepting the call to repentance and conversion on Ash Wednesday we choose to meet our temptations in the wilderness, to be castaways with our imperfections - the satisfaction of the material, the compromise of truth, the refusal to trust. In practice, how we cope will depend to some extent on how well we are equipped, what we carry in our spiritual survival kit



Most Reverend John Wilson, Archbishop of Southwark;
13th February 2021

'FOLLOW ME' A RETREAT FOR LENT
introduced by ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON,
led by THE SPIRITUALITY COMMISSION
BEGINS THIS SUNDAY

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme>

ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH
OF ST. MARY OF THE CRAYS: MONDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2021

St Mary's Mission or Parish was established in 1842 and the First Church was built on the site of the present Hall. The present Church was built in 1973 but was not consecrated until **22nd February 1987: The Feast of The Chair of St Peter.** The Church was consecrated and set aside for the worship of Almighty God in a solemn rite. **The Church Building is a Holy Place and a Sacred Space, a Temple where God lives among us and meets us.** Heaven and earth are united at the Throne, or Altar, of God in our Church! The saints and Angels come to join us in the Worship of God.

The Feast of the Dedication of a particular Church Building is like keeping its Baptismal Birthday. Notice especially the Consecration Crosses and Candles above the four Doors where the Walls were Anointed with the Oil of Chrism, used also in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. The Altar was also Anointed with Chrism on that day.



Dear Parishioners, **St Joseph's** would like to thank you for your prayers and generous donations to our **GO FUND ME** page. The school, despite the challenges, continues to thrive and play its part in supporting the wider community. *God bless. Mrs Sinclair*

FRIDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2021 IS CAFOD LENTEN FAMILY FAST DAY.

Let us make a special effort on this day to focus our attention on the poor and needy in the world. Do consider donating money saved by your fasting to CAFOD.

Please pray for the members of our Parish Family who are sick:

Alan Hughes, Anna Idahosa, Anne McGagh, Sr Angela Valentine, Barry Alfred Colville, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Catherine Homer. Clare Cooney, Clare Gummett, Fr. John Ryan, Felicity Dyer, Ivor Harper, Jackie Dawson, James Farrelly, Linda Rawlinson, Lucy Kiernan, Marie Rogerston, Maureen Saunders, Pat Price, Pauline Dansey, Renee Rae, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Tommy Cox, Veronica Francis

for all in the NHS and
all in self-isolation, quarantine, or effected by Covid-19.

PRAYER FOR BLESSING AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

St Christopher's Hospice Chaplaincy c. 1999)

(NAME...) may the healing love of the Lord Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit be with you now, filling your whole being with His peace and bringing you His wholeness. May you know the reality (strength and power) of His presence, day by day, and His protection from anything that might harm you or hurt you, giving you His peace, in body, mind and spirit. AMEN.

Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Souls of:

ANNE MURRAY,
who died on Sunday 7th February, her Requiem Mass will be
on **Tuesday 9th March at 2:30pm** ,
with Committal at Eltham Crematorium,
and

YVONNE FLORENCE MANUEL,
the Aunt of HEATHER GALIBARDY,
her Requiem Mass will be
at **1:45pm on Friday 9th April (Easter Week),**
with Committal at Eltham Crematorium
ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT
SHINE UPON THEM, MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.
MAY THEIR SOULS, AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

Anniversaries of Death

Christopher Delieu, Catherine McSweeney, Bert Kemp, Geraldine Cascarini, Elizabeth Gohery, Dennis Hughes, Mary Bridget Tobin, Jean Regan, Christine Rutherford, Maureen Elizabeth Start, John Radley, Olga Winifrede Threlfall, Mary Callahan, Margaret Murphy, Ralph Cantwell, Nuz Courtney, Frederick Holmes, Patricia Frost, Catherine Holloway, Sister Maria Margaret Haughey