

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

19th FEBRUARY: SUNDAY -
we will keep the Feast of
THE DEDICATION OF OUR
PRESENT PARISH CHURCH:
(22nd February 1987).

The Parish was founded
181 years ago in 1842;
The Present Church Building
Foundation Stone laid on
29th April 1972;
The Present Building
officially opened:

6th December 1973!
(Saint Nicholas - 'Santa Claus')

That day we will hold:
AFTERNOON TEA,
Sale of Goods, Bouncy Castle,
and
GRAND DRAW!

21st February: SHROVE TUESDAY –
the Episcopal Ordination of
Philip Moger in St George's
Cathedral Southwark.

22nd February 2023:
ASH WEDNESDAY
A Day of FASTING
and ABSTINENCE,
PRAYER and
PENANCE:



"The age at which ABSTINENCE
(that is: not eating meat) becomes bind-
ing is fourteen.

THE OBLIGATION OF FASTING
is restricted to those who have complet-
ed their eighteenth year and it contin-
ues until they have begun their sixtieth.

Fasting and Abstinence
are binding throughout
the Church on Ash Wednesday
and Good Friday (7th April)."

LENT BEGINS.

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER -

This new ONLINE course, has been developed
collaboration with **the Southwark Mar-
riage and Family Life team, the Agency**
for Evangelisation and Catechesis and
Sycamore. It is a programme about the
Catholic faith by Fr Stephen Wang. Growing
in Faith Together consists of four one hour-
long sessions via Zoom and is a wonderful
opportunity for: **married couples** to enrich
their friendship and love; **engaged couples**
who have **completed their marriage**
preparation course and want to continue
exploring their faith together.

The Lenten course runs on **Tuesday eve-**
nings from 8-9pm beginning 28th Feb
2023 and continuing on 7th, 14th, 21st
and 28th Mar and 4th Apr.

To register go to:

Growing in Faith Together
Agency for Evangelisation and
Catechesis (rcaos.org.uk)

THE UNIVERSE CATHOLIC
WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

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and celebrations about
your local parish activities

Below is the link to the latest edition of the
Universe Catholic Weekly:-
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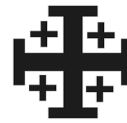
+ JESUS, + MARY AND + JOSEPH +

12th February 2023

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

IN OUR CHURCH BUILDING'S YEAR OF JUBILEE: 7 X 7 YEARS

ST MARY OF THE CRAYS, CRAYFORD:
SUPPLEMENT TO THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**PLEASE USE THE PARISH MASS BOOKS, HYMN BOOKS & MASS CARDS**

THE READINGS, ETC., FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

YEAR OF ST MATTHEW CAN BE FOUND FROM PAGE: 136

THE ORDINARY OF THE HOLY MASS FROM PAGE: 7 and following

OUR CHURCH BUILDING HAS A
GOLDEN JUBILEE THIS YEAR:

The Year of Jubilee:
Seven times Seven Years,
A Sabbath Of Sabbath Years,
a time of Rest and Recreation,
a time to sound the "Yohbel",
The Ram's Horn Trumpet,
or "shofar",
a Year of Promises,
a Year of
the Covenant,
THE YEAR OF JUBILEE

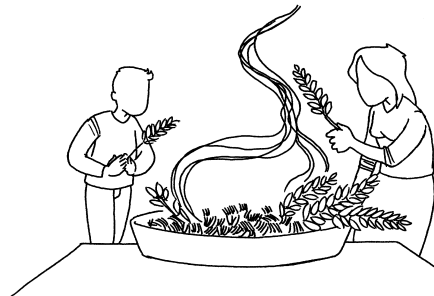
**CAFOD SYRIA-TURKEY EARTHQUAKE APPEAL**

CAFOD is responding with support of
provision of food, water, shelter,
medical assistance and winter kits for
survivors. Your donations in recent
months have made that quick re-
sponse possible. Let us join CAFOD in
praying for our sisters and brothers
affected by the earthquakes and the
winter weather. Your support for
CAFOD throughout the year allows
our Catholic agency to act quickly
when disasters strike. For more de-
tails visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey
Emergency Appeal online at

<https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

PALMS FOR ASHES
FOR ASH WEDNESDAY ...

Please bring in your Palms from
last year's Palm Sunday
so that we might burn them
and create the Ashes for
Ash Wednesday:

**Diocesan Lenten Retreat**
Archdiocese of Southwark
Lent Retreat, 2023:

"RENEWED IN HOPE":

Make some space to develop your relation-
ship with God this Lent. Sign up for the
Diocesan Lent Retreat

"RENEWED IN HOPE".

Every week you will receive an email with
links to a 20 minute video in which Arch-
bishop John will introduce the theme and
the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the
retreat programme and a witness will
speak of the relevance in their daily life.
You will also receive materials to use in
your own prayer and reflection. All you
have to have to do is sign up here

<http://eepurl.com/hVT7Dv>

set aside what space you can for reflection
and join us in being Renewed in Hope!

**PREPARE FOR THE FEAST OF
THE DEDICATION OF
OUR PARISH CHURCH OF
ST MARY OF THE CRAYS,
CRAYFORD:
22nd FEBRUARY 1987
THIS YEAR TRANSFERRED TO
SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2023.**

A reading from the second book of
Chronicles . *Chron. 5:6 - 6:2.*

'King Solomon and all the congregation of Israel, who had assembled before him, were before **the ark**, sacrificing so many sheep and oxen that they could not be counted or numbered. ⁷ Then the priests brought **the ark of the covenant of the LORD** to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, **in the Most Holy Place**, underneath the wings of the cherubim. ⁸ The cherubim spread out their wings over the place of the ark, so that the cherubim made a covering above the ark and its poles. ⁹ And the poles were so long that the ends of the poles were seen from the Holy Place before the inner sanctuary, but they could not be seen from outside. And they are ¹⁰ there to this day. ¹⁰ There was nothing in the ark except **the two tablets that Moses put there at Horeb**, where the LORD made a covenant with the people of Israel, when they came out of Egypt. ¹¹ And when the priests came out of the Holy Place (for all the priests who were present had consecrated themselves, without regard to their divisions, ¹² and all the Levitical singers, Asaph, Heman, and Jeduthun, their sons and kinsmen, arrayed in fine linen, with cymbals, harps, and lyres, stood east of the altar with 120 priests who were trumpeters; ¹³ and it was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanks-



2nd Chronicles

Walter Thompson

giving to the LORD), and when the song was raised, with trumpets and cymbals and other musical instruments, in praise to the LORD,

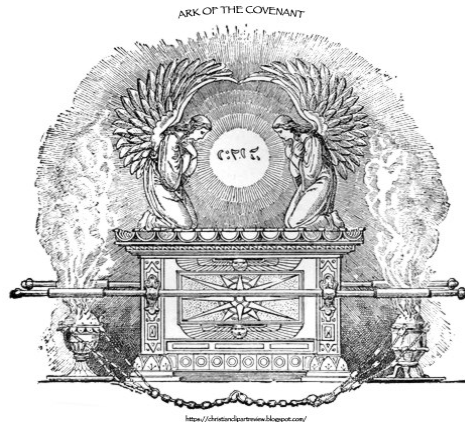
"For He is good, for His steadfast love endures for ever,"

the house, **THE HOUSE OF THE LORD, WAS FILLED WITH A CLOUD**, ¹⁴ so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for **THE GLORY OF THE LORD FILLED THE HOUSE OF GOD.**

SOLOMON BLESSES THE PEOPLE

6 Then Solomon said, **"The LORD has said that He would dwell in thick darkness. ² But I have built You an exalted house, a place for You to dwell in for ever."**

(English Standard Version Anglicised ESV UK)



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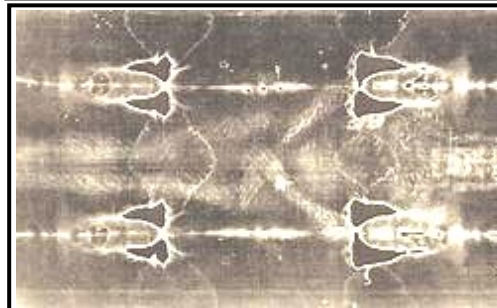
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An exhibition dedicated to **THE TURIN SHROUD**, featuring a life-size replica and various attendant exhibits, will be coming to our Archdiocese in February, visiting **The Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St George at Southwark (12-27 February)**. So as to encourage all of us in our pursuit of the supernatural bond of charity and love of Our Lord Jesus Christ in His Sacred Passion, and

pursuant to norm 7, 1° of the *Enchiridion Indulgentiarum*, I grant a partial indulgence to Christ's faithful in the Archdiocese of Southwark according to the usual conditions (See the Decree on Noticeboard) from 4 until 27 February. *Archbishop John Wilson.*

**THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY IS DEDICATED
TO THE HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH**

*Here is a bed time prayer to prepare us
to see God "face to face" in glory,
through the intercession of
the Holy Family of Nazareth:*

+ J. M. J. +

V/: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph:

**R/: I give You my heart
and my soul.**

V/: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph:

R/: Assist me in my last agony.

V/: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph:

**R/: May I sleep and take
my rest in peace with You.**

HOLY MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL,
defend us in battle. Be our safeguard
against the wickedness and snares of
the devil. May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince
of the heavenly host, by the power of
God cast into hell Satan and all the
evil spirits who wander through the
world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER:

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love

commits me here,
ever this day (or night) be at my side,
to light, to guard, to rule and guide.

Amen.