

Our Lady & St. Philip Neri Church, Sydenham

NEWSLETTER

1st Sunday of Lent • Year B**Mass Book** Page 152
1st Reading Genesis 9:8-15**2nd Reading** 1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel Mark 1:12-15Christ in the Wilderness -
Alessandro Bonvicino c1515-20

Alive through the waters of baptism.

We die to the world and live to God through the waters of baptism.

We will still be tempted, as Christ was in the wilderness, but if we repent and believe the Gospel we have nothing to fear.

The Lord is faithful to those who keep their promises to him.

Mass Times, Intentions and Feast Days

Sat	17 th	6:30pm	Patrick Horgan RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	18 th	9.30am	KSC - Rev Seminarian Stephen O'Brien	1st Sunday Of Lent (B)
		11.00am	Henry & Minna's Wedding Anniversary—52 nd	
Mon	19 th	9.30am	People of the Parish	
Tue	20 th	9.30am	In Honour of the Sacred Heart	
Wed	21 st	9.30am	Joanna Brady RIP	
Thu	22 nd	9.30am	Holy Souls	The Chair of St Peter the Apostle
Fri	23 rd	9.30am	In Honour of the Sacred Heart	
		7:00pm		Stations of the Cross
Sat	24 th	9.30am	People of the Parish	
		6:30pm	Michael Calligy & the deceased member's of the Calligy family	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	25 th	9.30am	Birthday intention for Minna	2nd Sunday Of Lent (B)
		11.00am	Tina Maduaka & family, and Inyeji's family.	

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Prayers

Please Pray for the sick and housebound, for those recently deceased, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Our blue book "Prayers for Wellbeing", and our black book "Prayers of Remembrance" are located at the back of the Church.

Confession

Confession times are: Monday to Friday • 9am, Saturday • 9am and 6pm, Sunday • 9am, and by appointment.

Collections

<i>Last Week</i>	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
£318 not Gift Aided £307 Gift Aided £300 Standing Order Gift Aided £257 raised for Poor Parishes	Parish Development Fund	Mission Appeal for Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver

CAFOD's Family Fast Day

Our guest speaker this weekend, from CAFOD, is Roger Crocket. A Fast Day envelope is attached to your newsletter, or alternatively you can collect an envelope from the back of Church. Please give generously.

Morning Prayer and Exposition

It is a tradition in the Catholic Church that we come together and pray together. In preparation for the Eucharistic Congress in September we will have Exposition and morning prayer every Saturday morning at 9.00am. This will be followed by Mass at 9.30am.

Morning prayer, or the prayer of the Church, is a beautiful prayer and parishioners are warmly invited to come and say it together on a Saturday morning.

First Holy Communion Classes

18th Feb No Class
25th Feb No Class

Forthcoming Meetings

22nd Feb 8.00pm SVP-Presbytery

Church Cleaners - Volunteers Required

If you would like to help on Wednesday mornings, please contact the Secretary on 0208 778 9460.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the cross is at 7pm every Friday during Lent. Leading will be: **23rd February** - The Readers; **2nd March** - TBA; **9th March** - Sacred Heart prayer group; **16th March** - The combined Choirs and **23rd March** - Fr Regis.

The practice of following the Stations of the Cross is a special service when we follow Jesus' path through the streets of Jerusalem to his place of execution on the cross at Calvary. All parishioners are invited to support these services, and encouraged to join in especially if their group is leading it.

CTS Book Stall

Please take a look at the CTS book stall at the back of the church as you leave today. You will find a wide variety of booklets to help in your preparation for Lent and Easter this year. Subjects include the Stations of the Cross, giving meaning to suffering, simple prayer books and even how to make a Do it Yourself retreat. Each booklet is small enough to fit in your pocket or bag so you can read on the bus or at work! The price of the booklet is on the back cover and donations are welcome in the CTS box on the back wall. When you have finished reading your booklet why not pass it on to a friend or member of the family to help them in their preparations? If you enjoy your CTS booklets or have ideas for other subjects we could order please let us know! Thank you!

Please do not park in the Church grounds, this is reserved for blue badge holders, or those who need to drop off those with ability considerations. Thank you.

During Mass, please keep your children with you at all times, and accompany small children to the toilet.