

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

A member of the Churches Together in Nunhead and Hatcham



NEWSLETTER

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Confessions: Saturdays 10.00am to 11.00am

Mass Intentions 14 March – 15 March 2009

Sat	14	9.30am	Bridie McMahon RIP
		6.30pm	Pat Connolly's 80th birthday
Sun	15	9.00am	John O'Connor ANN
		10.30am	V. McQueen & family thanksgiving
		1.30pm	Misa en Espanol
		6.30pm	Paraic Patten RIP
Mon	16	9.30am	Pat & Ann Lally get well
		1.30pm	Funeral Mass of Sarah Doyle
Tue	17	9.30am	Jimmy O'Sullivan get well
Wed	18	9.30am	Margaret Wallace's int
Thur	19	9.30am	Kathy Lear get well
Fri	20	9.30am	Pat Foy RIP
		11.00am	Funeral Mass of Evelyn Gabriel
Sat	21	9.30am	Patrick Hannon RIP
		6.30pm	John Quinn ANN
Sun	22	9.00am	Kit Murphy ANN
		10.30am	Wilma Power sick
		1.30pm	Carmelita Beckford 3rd ANN
		6.30pm	Misa en Espanol, Patrick Lally & Michael Staunton

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Canonisation of Fr. Damien

The Canonization of Fr. Damien the Leper priest of Molokai has finally been announced by Pope Benedict. It will take place in Rome on the 11 October 2009. It is a great celebration for our community, the Sacred Hearts. Damien is a great example to us as a man who truly lived his calling in showing the compassion of Christ to the poorest of the poor. We hope as many people as possible will be able to join in our pilgrimage to Rome for this wonderful and unique occasion. Please do take one of the purple sheets with brief history of Fr. Damien's life and work.

Having looked at the prices for Fr Damian's canonisation, the trip to Rome will be £569 which includes hotel half board in Rome for 5 nights from Thursday 8/13 October with all flights and transfers. Please tell Fr Eddie or Fr Fergal if you are interested in going. Details of when a deposit is needed will be available next week. Sorry about the lack of further details as we just got the information last minute before the newsletter was published.

Lenten Retreat

Fr Chris McAneny will be leading a mini Parish Retreat during Lent starting Thursday 5 March and continuing on Thursday 12, 19 and 26 March. Sessions last for one hour and will be held after the 9.30am Mass. Fr. Chris has kindly agreed to repeat the Retreat for those who can't be present at the morning sessions, on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. The title is "Come to me all who labour and I will give you rest".

Stations of the Cross during Lent

There will be Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent at 9.00am and 7.30pm. We are looking for Parish groups to take responsibility for leading the reflections on one Friday evening during Lent. So far the Catholic Woman's League and the Ghanaian Choir have volunteered to lead us in the stations, if there are any other committees or associations who would like to volunteer please give you details to one of the priests or sign up on the sheet in the hallway. Many thanks.

Camberwell Deanery Day for Ministers of the Eucharist

There will be a Day Of Reflection for all the Ministers of the Eucharist in the Camberwell Deanery, which will take place at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Bird in the Bush Road, Peckham on Saturday 4 April starting with Mass at 10.30am. The day will finish at 3.20pm. Please see the notice in the hall way.

Deanery Penitential Service

Due to the success of the Deanery Penitential Service held in East Dulwich for Advent, it has been decided to do the same for Lent. Just to give more people the opportunity and to make travelling easier, we will be holding two services; one in Camberwell Sacred Heart Parish at 7.30pm and at St. Thomas More East Dulwich on Sunday 5 April (Palm Sunday) at 3.00pm.

Churches Together

Following the great success of the Passover Service last year, it has been decided that we will repeat it this year. It will take place at St. Catherine's this time at 7.45pm on Tuesday, 7 April. Numbers are strictly limited and if you are interested in taking part, you are strongly advised to sign, with your name and telephone number, on the sheet on the notice board opposite the Holy Shop as soon as possible. We suggest a minimum donation of £1 per head, payable on the night, to cover expenses.

Unwanted Christmas Gifts Sale.

We would like to thank the organisers, those who donated gifts and those who supported the sale last week. The huge success of the sale only serves as a reminder of the enormous generosity of the people of the Parish, so a big thank you to you all.

Parish Diary 2009

If you or your company, association or group or you know someone who may be interested in advertising in the Parish diary for 2009 please contact Mick Powns on 01342 718328.

Musicians and Singers needed for 10.30am Mass

Contact Peter or Jim after Mass.

Churches Together Lenten Reflection Groups

The Lenten groups will meet on the Tuesdays of Lent starting in St. Catherine's on Tuesday 3 March at around 10.15am or so, just after the morning Mass in St. Thomas the Apostle. This meeting will alternate each week between St. Catherine's and St. Thomas the Apostle. Evening group at St. Catherine's 7.00pm.

Please Pray For

Please remember to pray for those people who have been bereaved and all who have died recently, including: Elise Alcoba-Perez, Helen Hayes, Alison May Norris, Carol Anne Mitchell, Prince Ajyapong RIP, Sr. Teresa's brother John, Joan Green, Frank Fancett, Peggy Simpson, Bailey Thomas Loader, Julie Shelton, (Breda's Niece), John Irmiger, Mary Horsnell, Anne (Nan) King, Margaret Dillon, Kit Murphy, Emma Reidy, Bartley Dean, Hudson Green, Frank Hayes.

Sick

Please remember to pray for all who are sick in our Parish, including: Wilma Power, Agatha St. Clair, Mrs Angela Roberts, Betty McClain, George Kirby, Alma Fernandez, Margaret and Tom Wyse, Mary Rellis, Caroline Knight, Carline Onyekwere, Sarah Kayaga.

Anniversaries

Anthony Taylor, Joyce Green, Stanley Thompson, Joseph O'Reilly, Malcolm Borthwick, Dara Molloy, Baby Joel Gordon, Placid Bennett, Edith Chapman, Bernadette George, Mary Andersen.

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