

# ST. SAVIOUR'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**LEWISHAM HOSPITAL** - In an emergency please ask the staff to bleep the on-call priest.

## **OUR PARISH IN FOCUS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE RESTRICTED NUMBERS TO  
MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

**PLEASE FOLLOW ALL THE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND  
UNLESS EXEMPT PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING.**

## **SUNDAY MASSES**

8.30am, 10am and 11.30am.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS STILL NO SUNDAY  
OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS.**

## **WEEKDAY MASSES**

10am.

## **STREAMED MASSES FOR THOSE AT HOME**

**The 10am Mass everyday is streamed on our  
YouTube channel.**

**(Type in St Saviour's Church Lewisham).**

## **CONFESSIONS**

Every Saturday from 11am until 11.30am, or when asked.

## **EXPOSITION**

Every Saturday from 11am until 1pm for private prayer.

## **THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

Every day from 11am until 1pm. (This may have to change on a particular day due to a Funeral or other Service. Sunday morning has the celebration of three Masses).

## **REPOSITORY**

Closed during the current restrictions.

## **THANK YOU**

for last week's offertory collection of £1,174.

## **21ST FEBRUARY 2021 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (B)**

**First Reading:- Genesis 9:8-15**

**Responsorial Psalm:- 24 (25)**

**Second Reading:- 1 Peter 3:18-22**

**Gospel:- Mark 1:12-15**

## **GOOD NEWS FROM TODAY'S READINGS**

**Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to all the spirits in prison.**

## **THANK YOU TO OUR STEWARDS AND CLEANERS**

On behalf of all parishioners we extend our warmest thanks to our teams of stewards and cleaners, who have been so vital in us being able to open the church for Mass and private prayer during these difficult times.

## **FUNERAL MASSES**

We have two Funeral Masses here this week:

- ❖ The Funeral Mass of Leokadia Mikucki takes place on Monday, 22nd, at 12.15pm.
- ❖ The Funeral Mass of Theresa Doolin takes place on Wednesday, 24th, at 12.15pm.

We extend our sympathies to Leokadia's and Theresa's family and friends.

Only those invited to a Funeral may attend due to restricted numbers allowed at present.

## **LENTEN FAST DAY**

This Friday, 26th March, is the CAFOD LENTEN FAST DAY. All of us are encouraged to give up some food or luxury and give the money to the poor through CAFOD. Envelopes are available next to the newsletters for you to take away and use. Please bring these envelopes and any donations to Mass next Sunday and place them in the baskets as you leave church. If you are not at this time coming to Mass in St Saviour's you can visit CAFOD's website and make a donation there. Many thanks.

The Theme for the Lenten Fast Day this year is: 'Come to the water all you who are thirsty - (Isaiah 55:1)'. The prayer for this is:

*Loving God, we hear your call to all who thirst for a brighter future: Come to the water. Pour out your Spirit upon us and lead us to walk alongside one another. Let a desire for change well up within us. May we overflow with compassion and love. And as a stream wears away stone, may we reshape our world together to reflect your kingdom of hope for all. Amen.*

## **NO 'GLORIA' OR 'ALLELUIA' IN LENT**

During Lent Masses we do not recite or sing the 'Gloria' or 'Alleluia'.

## **LENTEN ALMS BOX**

Inside the front door of the church there is a Lenten Alms Box for the money you save from your Lenten resolutions.

## **SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

Today there will be a second collection to enable our Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in our Diocese.

## SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FROM FR CHRIS

This Friday, 26th February, one of the saints remembered by the Church is St Paula Montal Fornes. She was born in Barcelona, Spain, in the year 1799, the eldest of five daughters. St Paula's father died when she was ten years old and as a result she had to work as a lace-maker and as a seamstress in order to make money to help her mother raise her siblings. St Paula also extended care to other needy children in her parish, teaching them the catechism. This work enabled her to discover her gift of teaching and in 1829 St Paula devoted herself to God through wishing to teach girls and young women who had little opportunity for learning. St Paula believed that women were an essential element in the transformation of society.

St Paula opened a school in the city of Figueres, then a college in Barcelona and another in Sabadell. St Paula also established her own religious order called the Sisters of Pious Schools. Like other teaching orders, her sisters also took a vow to dedicate themselves to teaching. This new order received papal recognition in 1860. St Paula continued her work of teaching and setting up new schools. St Paula died on 26th February 1889 in Barcelona and was canonized a saint by Pope St John Paul II in 2001.

Calling for a "civilization of love," St Paula said: "*We are bound to seek the tranquillity and progress of society that are only possible with the transparent life, which is the life that God asks us to live.*"

St Paula Montal Fornes, pray for us.

## INVITATION TO APPLY FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents and guardians of children, who are in years 3 - 6 and would like to receive their First Holy Communion, are invited to register their interest. Please email [lewishamfhc@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:lewishamfhc@rcaos.org.uk) with your name, child's name and telephone number to receive information about the parent formation sessions and the children's schedules. The deadline for applying is **13th March 2021**.

## "HEARTFELT THANKS FROM ESTHER HUNTBACH

I would like to thank all those people in St Saviour's Parish Community and specific Groups who attended my 60th Birthday Mass either in person, or via live-stream on Saturday 13th February. I am utterly stunned and amazed by the amount of messages, cards, gifts and prayers of love and support I have received and feel extremely humbled, honoured and privileged to be part of such a wonderful Parish Community who have enriched my 60 years of life. My particular and very special thanks go to the St Saviour's Rosary Group, who supported me and also Matthew, with their incessant prayers and loving support last week - I am indebted to them. I have already lit a 7-Day Candle for all of you and your personal intentions and a Mass of Thanksgiving will be offered in due course for all of you. Details will follow. Please be assured that you are all included in my daily prayers with heartfelt gratitude and thanks to each and every one of you. Esther"

## ST SAVIOUR'S SCHOOL NURSERY APPLICATIONS

Our Primary School is now receiving applications for children to join its nursery in September 2021. Applications for children aged 3 and 4 years old are welcomed, kindly note that children will have to have attained 3 years of age on or before 31st August 2021. The nursery application form is available from the school website (<https://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/schoolinformation/admissions-new/>) or from the school office. **The closing date for applications is 31st March 2021.**

Should you require any further information about this please contact the school office on 020 8852 4283.

## ST SAVIOUR'S CONGRESS GROUP MEETING (24TH FEBRUARY 7.30PM)

Dear All, we hope you are keeping well and safe.

We have our next Congress meeting on Wednesday 24th February at 7.30pm and will be finalising the points and actions discussed at our previous meeting and looking to apply these to our Parish and the work of the Congress Group.

We are also planning a Lenten Talk to be given by Ant Towe on the 24th March at 7.30pm which will be open to the whole Parish. Further details for this event to follow shortly.

We will also send the zoom meeting link for our Congress meeting on the 24th February and look forward to seeing many of you then, Thank you very much for your continued support. God bless,

Christine and Don

## ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK RETREAT FOR LENT - introduced by Archbishop John Wilson and led by the Spirituality Commission.

The Archdiocese of Southwark is offering a retreat experience for the people and parishes during Lent 2021, beginning on the first Sunday of Lent and ending in Holy week. For each week of Lent, the Spirituality Commission will provide a video exploring themes connected with the Sunday Gospel. The input will be available in advance rather than live streamed, so that it can be viewed at any time. The video will be accompanied by suggestions for prayer and reflection through the week. The retreat is open both to individuals and to parish-based groups. Individuals can make use of the weekly video and material for prayer and reflection. For parish groups, resources will be provided for a weekly group meeting. You can find details and sign up for the Lenten Retreat at [www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme](http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme)

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK AND THE FEASTDAYS

### SUNDAY 21st February (First Sunday of Lent)

8.30am - Johanna Richardson RIP (1st Anniversary)

10am - UCM

11.30am - The People of our Parish

### MONDAY 22nd February (The Chair of St Peter)

10am - Stan Harrison RIP

12.15pm - Funeral Mass of Leokadia Mikucki RIP

(Only those invited may enter the church)

### TUESDAY 23rd February (Feria)

10am - Constance Mary Dugglesbury

### WEDNESDAY 24th February (Feria)

10am - Benedictus Joppa RIP (Birthday)

12.15pm - Funeral Mass of Theresa Doolin RIP

(Only those invited may enter the church)

### THURSDAY 25th February (Feria)

10am - Peter Hands RIP (Anniversary)

### FRIDAY 26th February (Feria)

10am - Fr George Webster RIP (Thanksgiving for his Ministry)

### SATURDAY 27th February (Feria)

10am - Tanya Louise Wilson RIP (10th Anniversary)

### SUNDAY 28th February (Second Sunday of Lent)

8.30am - Rita Jones RIP Months Mind

10am - Mrs Antonia Francis Xavier RIP

11.30am - Lena Ianarelli RIP (Anniversary)