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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 22 JANUARY 2023

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 22 JANUARY 2023 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A) Parish Mass Book page 127

8.00am Wellbeing of Philomena and VJ Srivastava (*Brownrigg Family*)

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00am For the People of the Parish

6.00pm Private Intention (*Adele Badrick*)

Monday 23rd Feria

9.00am NO ROSARY, NO MORNING MASS: BUT PLEASE NOTE

6.30pm **EVENING MASS:** *Private Intentions*

Tuesday 24th St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9.00am Rosary

9.30am Mass: Edwin Manche RIP (*Manche family*)

Wed 25th No Mass today

Thurs 26th Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops, Memorial

9.00am Rosary

9.30am Mass: John and Anita Webster (*Fr Peter*)

Friday 27th Feria

9.00am Rosary

9.30am Mass: Sr. Martha Manche RIP (*Manche Family*)

Sat 28st St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9.00am Mass: Thanksgiving (*Abraham Family*)

9.30am **Holy Hour** - Exposition and Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction, Confessions

Sunday 29 JANUARY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

8.00am Francis, Kevin and Charlie McCluskey RIP
(*Frank McCluskey*)

10.00am For the People of the Parish

6.00pm Bill Woolliscroft RIP - Birthday (*Julie Woolliscroft*)

Last Week's Offertory

£ 779.90 (of which £ 314.00 is Gift Aided envelopes, £169.50 Gift Aided bank standing orders and £296.40 cash)

Crib £ 390.54 in aid of The Good Counsel Network

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*Tea and coffee are served every Sunday in the hall after 10am Mass. All welcome.*

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The Parish Office is normally open on Mon, Tues Thurs and Fri from 10am until 12noon.

All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times.

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**If you would like Mass to be offered please write clearly and complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope. For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least eight weeks' notice to avoid disappointment.**

**Kingston Hospital** If you are admitted to Kingston Hospital, it is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of a patient in the Hospital please call the Hospital Main Switchboard on 020 8546 7711 who will contact the Chaplain.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Confessions: Sundays 9.15am-9.45am, Saturdays 10.15am-10.45am, after every weekday Mass and by appointment by ringing or e-mailing Fr Peter – contact details at top of this page.**

Readers 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan

8am: Cecilia Suarez

10am: Tony Gernon

6pm: Paul Johnston

Readers 29<sup>th</sup> Jan

8am: Valentino Ferdis

10am: Alex Duval

6pm: Kristin Walsh

Counters 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan

Howard and Marlene

Cleaners w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan

Aurea's Group

### **SECOND PARISH MEETING Monday 30 January 7 pm**

Fr Peter writes: Further to last week's newsletter, I am now confirming the date of our SECOND parish meeting to discuss the state of the parish and our hopes and vision for the future. Please come to the church in the first instance. Please do read my letter to you of today before you come.

As I said last week, although the parish is solvent and has not drifted into the red, our reserves now are very low. We shall have to turn once again to some serious fundraising.

### **SERVICE OF ECUMENICAL VESPERS to honour the life of Pope Benedict XVI**

Westminster Cathedral, Tuesday, 24 January, 5pm

There will be a celebration of ecumenical vespers in Westminster Cathedral on Tuesday, 24 January at 5pm to honour the life of the late Pope Benedict XVI and to pray for the repose of his soul. Lord Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, will give an address.

## WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD UP THE PARISH

Fr Peter writes: about twenty parishioners attended the meeting yesterday to discuss the spiritual and material needs of the parish, finances and planning for the future. Accompanying this newsletter is **my letter to all of you** taking stock of the parish life and property and thinking about the future. **PLEASE TAKE A COPY.**

Central to our planning should be to implement the vision set by our Archbishop John Wilson who wants Southwark to be a MISSIONARY DIOCESE. That means focusing on evangelization (spreading the Word of God), catechesis (ensuring we have a firm understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church) and good formation of disciples (those best placed to explain the faith to newcomers). None of this is easy. It is very much a question of whether we truly believe in Jesus Christ as true God and true man, and acquiring the tools to tell others about him.

## GOOD NEWS – UKRAINIAN FAMILY

The mother and daughter refugees from Ukraine have been found a good home with a family linked to St Mary's School, Chessington, where the daughter, Liliia, has been placed. The future is secure at least for the next six months. Thank you for your prayers and gifts for them

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – THIS FRIDAY

The Confirmation course will begin on **Friday 27 January** with Mass and an introduction for both candidates and parents at **7 pm**. After that, meetings will be every Friday from **6.15 pm to 8 pm**. There will be no meetings over holiday periods. If this timing causes problems, please discuss with Fr Peter. Candidates are entitled to collect their free copy of Fr Stephen Wang's excellent CTS booklet, "A Way of Life for Young Catholics" (which is also appropriate for old Catholics).

**PLEASE PRAY for the sick** especially Cindy Albright, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Delia Gallagher, Marie Gilbert & Family, Martin Jackson, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Jimmy Murphy, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Anne Srivastava, Coby Thomas and Amy Woodgate Residential Home residents.

## DAY OF HEALING, ADDISCOMBE

The All Nations Catholic Charismatic Group would like to invite you for a day of healing and prayer at Our Lady of Annunciation Catholic Church, Addiscombe, Croydon on Saturday 28 January from 10 am until 4pm. The programme will begin with Eucharistic celebration followed by rosary, Holy wounds novena, adoration, confession, healing prayer and praise and Worship. Come and encounter the Lord who forgives all our iniquities.'

## FR PETER'S INDUCTION – A PARISH EVENT

Fr Peter's Induction Mass – Saturday 18 February, at 12 noon followed by a buffet lunch in the parish hall. The Episcopal Vicar (acting Bishop) for the south-west of the Archdiocese, Canon Gerard Bradley and our Dean, Fr Michael Lovell from St Raphael's, Surbiton and a number of other priests will attend. Everyone is most welcome to attend to support Fr Peter as he makes an oath of service to the parish and the people reciprocate. Civic representatives and ministers of other Christian denominations may also be attending.

## BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD FR PETER AND THE PEOPLE MAKE PROMISES TOGETHER AT THE MASS OF INDUCTION

### From the Rite of Induction Mass on 18 February

*The new Parish Priest kneels before the Bishop, placing his right hand on the Book of the Gospels, he makes his Profession of Faith according to the usual formula. This is then signed by both the Parish Priest and the Bishop.*

**Bishop:** It is the duty of the Priest to proclaim the word of God. He must study the Bible and meditate on its message; believe what he reads; teach what he believes and practise what he teaches. Are you willing to co-operate with your Bishop in preaching Christ in season and out of season, explaining to all the Word of God?

**Priest:** I am, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** People of this Parish of Chessington and Hook, we are called to preach Christ by the witness of a good life and to hand on the faith to our children. Are you willing to do this?

**People:** We are, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** The Priest gathers together the People of God for prayer and sustains them as they go forth to carry out the mission of the Church to the world. Are you ready to pray with the people, as well as for them, and to lead and encourage them in their apostolate in the world?

**Priest:** I am, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** People of this Parish, you share in the work of the Church. Will you work and pray together in love, seeking through prayer and service to grow in the knowledge of the Faith and to make the Gospel known throughout the world?

**People:** We will, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** The priest cares for the people by celebrating with them the Sacraments. When he baptizes, he brings men and women into the family of God; he witnesses their marriage vows; in the Sacrament of Reconciliation he forgives sins in the name of Christ and His Church; with holy oil, he strengthens and consoles the sick and the dying. Will you prepare your people by wise instruction to receive the Sacraments worthily and fruitfully?

**Priest:** I will, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** People of this parish, will you co-operate in preparing for the reception of the Sacraments?

**People:** We will, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** It is the priest's privilege and duty to celebrate the Sacrifice of the Mass to proclaim the Lord's death until he comes, and to feed the people with the Body and Blood of Christ. Are you willing to celebrate the Mass faithfully for the living and dead as the Church ordains for the glory and the sanctification of Christ's people?

**Priest:** I am, with the help of God.

**Bishop:** People of this parish, will you faithfully participate in the Sacred Mysteries of Christ's Body and Blood so that the Church may be built up as the body of Christ?

**People:** We will, with the help of God

**Thought for the week: how am I helping my parish priest to build God's kingdom on earth?**