



ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK
ST FRANCIS DE SALES & ST GERTRUDE CHURCH



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16th March 2025: Second Sunday of Lent (Year C)

1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Psalm: 27:1, 7-9, 13-14 2nd Reading: Philippians 3:20-4:1 Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36.

2nd Collection:

NEXT: 23rd March, Poor Parishes

DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS
Sat- 15 th	18.30	
Sun-16 th	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Flo Nwohia-Duroha- Birthday Thanksgiving
Mon-17 th		NO MASS
Tues-18 th	09.30	
Wed-19 th	09.30	
Thur-20 th	09.30	
Fri-21 st	09.30	
Sat-22 nd	18.30	Martin, Kate Folan-RIP
Sun-23 rd	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	

PASTORAL TEAM	ORDER OF MASS	
Fr Michael Faneye, MSP: Parish Priest	I Confess	p.8
Mr Charles Madden: PPC Chair	1 st Reading	p.157
Mrs Catherine Biney: Finance	Resp. Psalm	p.157
Mrs Folasade Onile-Ere: Catechist	2 nd Reading	p.158
Mr Patrick Sanniez: Sacristan	Gospel	p.158
Office Hours:	I believe in	p.11
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30am– 1:30pm	Our Father	p.56

PARISHIONERS' BIRTHDAYS	
15 th -21 st	Micah Antonio Guled Patterson/15 th , Florence Nwohia/17 th , Henok Hibabu/18 th , Josephine Jasper/19 th , William Appiah/20 th , Temitope Osinlaru/21 st

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS
 Sarah Madden, Crystal L, Andrew O'Neill, Patrick Idama, Marie Kallon, Michael McGrath and all our household.

APPEAL FOR NEW GIFT AID DONATION
 We encourage Parishioners who are not yet using the Gift Aid envelopes to consider signing up for it. Remember, for every £1 you donate, the Church can claim an extra 25p. Note that you must be a Tax Payer to the UK before you can be eligible.

Please fill the Gift Aid Declaration form and let us know how you are supporting the parish by renewing your Gift Aid declaration via: <https://forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/> or by scanning the QR code with your phone camera.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 02/03/25		
Gift Aid	Loose	Total
£254.00	£196.35	£450.35

If you are not signed up to Gift Aid and planned giving, please do so via the link above or contact the Parish Priest/Office.



STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBIT
 Offerings can be made by envelope, contactless machine, direct debit or standing order
NATWEST ACCOUNT: RCAS STOCKWELL.
NO: 28975553; SORT CODE 60-20-31

DONATION REFERENCE FOR HALL REFURBISHMENT: Parishioners who wish to donate towards the Hall refurbishment should use as reference '*Hall Refurbishment*' as they make their generous donation. Thank you very much.

THE SEASON OF LENT: Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent @ 7pm.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Please come and join our small peaceful, prayerful, lawful Pro-Life vigils this Lent. We will be offering real practical help and support to pregnant mothers, twelve hours a day for forty consecutive days. **Brixton Vigil location:** The corner of Brixton Hill and Brixton Water Lane, London, SW2. **Vigil hours:** 8am to 8pm daily from Wednesday 5th March until 8pm Sunday 13th April. **Contact:** Gabriella 07745-711064 or The Good Counsel Network 0207-723-1740

MATRIMONY IN THE PARISH: Marriage preparation is a process that take some time to complete the process. Parishioners who would like to receive the sacrament of matrimony in the Church are advised to start discussion with the Parish Priest at least 6 months prior to any preparations.

LENT: Lent is a time for turning again to the practice of our faith - in prayer, self-denial (fasting) and practical generosity (almsgiving). Lent is a 40-day fast — a reference to the time Jesus spent being tempted in the desert. It's a time when we can prepare our hearts for the remembrance of Christ's death. Our observance of Lent culminates in the solemn celebrations of Holy Week when on Palm Sunday we follow Christ from his triumphant entrance into Jerusalem to the foot of the Cross as sorrowful bystanders to His Passion, before rolling back the stone of the empty tomb and the joy of the Resurrection. The six-week period is dedicated to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in preparation for this great celebration of Christ's Paschal Mystery in the Easter Triduum.

THE NEW PARISH MASS BOOKS AND HYMN BOOKS
 The New Parish Mass books and Hymn books are solely the properties of the Parish. They are not to be taken away or removed from the Parish.

GRATITUDE
 Thank you very much to all those who have generously donated towards the buying of the new Parish Mass books. Your generosity is highly appreciated. God bless you.

HOLY EUCHARIST CELEBRATION
 There will be no Mass from 25th -28th March 2025. Please keep the date in your calendar.

BAPTISM FORMS
 There are Parishioners who approached the Parish Priest to arrange for Baptism and have collected Baptism Forms to be filled. In view of better planning for Baptism in the Parish, those Parishioners who collected baptism forms are advised to return the filled forms as soon as possible to the Parish Priest/Office.