



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



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**30<sup>th</sup> March 2025: Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year C)**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Joshua 5:9a-12 Psalm: 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:

**NEXT: 18<sup>TH</sup> April: Holy Places of Palestine**

DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS
Sat- 29 <sup>th</sup>	18.30	
Sun-30 <sup>th</sup>	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	
Mon-31 <sup>st</sup>		
Tues-1 <sup>st</sup>	09.30	Abbey Babalola-B'Day 31/3
Wed-2 <sup>nd</sup>	09.30	
Thur-3 <sup>rd</sup>	09.30	
Fri-4 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Manuel de Jesus Govveia-Personal Intention
Sat-5 <sup>th</sup>	18.30	Beatrice Rodriguez-Personal Intention
Sun-6 <sup>th</sup>	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 <sup>st</sup> Reading	p.168
Mrs Catherine Biney: Finance	Resp. Psalm	p.169
Mrs Folasade Onile-Ere: Catechist	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	p.169
Mr Patrick Sanniez: Sacristan	Gospel	p.170
<b>Office Hours:</b>	I believe in	p.11
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30am– 1:30pm	Our Father	p.56

**PARISHIONERS' BIRTHDAYS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

29<sup>th</sup> -4<sup>th</sup>

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Sarah Madden, Crystal L, Andrew O'Neill, Patrick Idama, Marie Kallon, Michael McGrath and all our housebound.

**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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 23/03/25		
Gift Aid	Loose	Total
£242.50	£292.18	£534.68

**PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF ALL HUMAN LIFE, SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING ASSISTED SUICIDE:** Parishes and religious houses are invited to offer a Holy Hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for the sanctity of all human life on either Passion Sunday (13 April), or the Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday of Holy Week (14, 15, 16 April).

**STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBIT**

On Maundy Thursday, parishes are also invited to add a specific intercession for the sanctity of all human life to the Universal Prayer at the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Offerings can be made by envelope, contactless machine, direct debit or standing order

**NATWEST ACCOUNT: RCAS STOCKWELL.  
 NO: 28975553; SORT CODE 60-20-31**

**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.

**MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup>/50<sup>th</sup>/60<sup>th</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than the middle of May**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass on **12<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 at St. George's Cathedral**. Spaces are limited. Contact us at [mflse@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflse@rcaos.org.uk). As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Clapham, Beckenham.

**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.

**URGENT PETITION: Assisted Suicide Bill Threatens Vulnerable People:** Care Not Killing (CNK) has launched a PETITION calling on MPs to reject proposals for an assisted suicide law in England and Wales. Parishioners may also sign the Petition online using their smartphones to scan the Petition QR code below.

**INNER HEALING AND LIBERATION SERVICE:** This service will be organised by Fr Roza Palic from Croatia on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 at Polish Church of Divine Mercy, Pitts Road, Slough Berks SL1 3XH. Holy Mass at 10:15 am followed by a Talk and Prayer Ministry. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Millie on 07957594646 for more information.

**VACANCY**

Bishop Thomas Grant School are seeking to recruit a Premises Assistant. For further information please visit <https://www.btg.ac/About-BTG/Recruitment/> or contact Jacqueline Sylvia the PA to the Headteacher at: [jsylvia@btg-secondary.lambeth.sch.uk](mailto:jsylvia@btg-secondary.lambeth.sch.uk). Closing date for applications is 8.00am on Friday 4 April 2025. We reserve the right to make an appointment before the closing date, so early applications are encouraged.

