

SS. Joseph & Swithun

Parish News 2018

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Dear Parishioners

I am Rev. Fr Kwaghtaver Matthew Ushin C.S.Sp, one of ten children, born on 4th July 1975 to Mr Moses and Mrs Elizabeth Ushin in Nigeria. I am the eldest boy of four with six girls. Two died young.

I joined the Holy Ghost Fathers in 2000. Made my first religious profession on 8th September, 2002. I studied Philosophy from 2002-2006 and Theology at Spiritan International School of Theology, Nigeria 2007-2011. Following my final religious profession I was ordained a deacon on 4th December 2010 and ordained a priest on 2nd July 2011.

After my priestly ordination, I worked in two different parishes 2011-14. Then I was appointed The Director of Holy Ghost Postulancy and assistant parish priest St. Mary's parish Yola, Nigeria, 2014 - 2017. In May - October 2014, I was sent to the United Kingdom for mission appeal in the Arch diocese of Liverpool. From July - September 2017 I supplied in St. Marie/Joseph's parish Bury, Salford diocese and Corpus Christi parish, Crowwood Crescent, Calderbank in Scotland. In December 2017, I was appointed to the British Province and arrived the United Kingdom in January 2018. I have worked in St John Fisher's Parish Kidbrooke, St Mary Magdalene's Parish Brockley and now at SS Joseph & Swithun Parish.

I enjoy playing and watching football, photography, I play table tennis and I go on jogging or trekking occasionally. I also play some indoor games like; Scrabble, Ludo and Draughts. Besides, I enjoy singing and listening to music, (especially my traditional music), I like watching comedies and reading novels. My maxim is the golden rule; "**do unto others what you would want done to you**". (Tob.4:15, Mt. 7:12).

I was given a warm welcome by Fr Tom when I arrived at SS Joseph & Swithun Bromley and I am looking forward to having a wonderful and an enriching experience with the people of the parish.

Fr. Matthew

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Psalter Week 4

Saturday 10th November

6.00 pm Anthony Daley RIP

Sunday 11th November Thirty-Second Sunday Remembrance Sunday

8.00 am Deceased members of Heneghan & Davies Families

9.15 am Harry Smith RIP

11.00 am Int. Creasy Family

2.00 pm Baptism: Autumn Stevens

5.00 pm People of the Parish

6.30 pm Syro Malabar Mass

Monday 12th November St Josaphat

10.00 am Deceased parents & family of J & J Egan

Tuesday 13th November

8.45 am Holy souls

10.00 am Int. Brid Coleman McDonagh (Lohan)

4.00 pm Reception of coffin into church
Maureen Spooner RIP

Wednesday 14th November

10.00 am Funeral: Maureen Spooner RIP

8.00 pm Mass for Deceased Clergy
(Catenians Bromley Circle)

Thursday 15th November

10.00 am Int. Nina (Stella)

7.30 pm* Holy Souls

Friday 16th November

7.30 am* Holy Souls

10.00 am Bridget Patricia Crisp RIP

Saturday 17th November

10.00 am Int. Denis Quin (Lohan)

6.00 pm Bernadette Quin RIP (Warr)

Sunday 18th November Thirty-Third Sunday

8.00 am Elizabeth Kilduff RIP

9.15 am Gerald & Mary Cullen RIP

Baptism Rite of Welcome

11.00 am Deceased members of McDonagh Family (Lohan)

5.00 pm People of the Parish

* Masses held in Holy Trinity Chapel

St. Swithun's Mass Intentions

Saturday 10th November

6.00 pm People of the Parish

Sunday 11th November

10.00 am People of the Parish

Monday 12th November

10.00 am People of the Parish

Attendance: 132

Collection: £378.20

For Mass intentions please see Nelson after Mass.

Our Parish Faith Formation

Baptism Prep. Session 2 will be held today at 10.30am in the Skip Appleton Room.

First Reconciliation Session 6 to be held on Tuesday 13th November at 4.30pm in the Upper Room and on Saturday 17th November at 4.15pm in the Upper Room and Sunday 18th November at 10.30am in the Upper Room and HTC.

First Reconciliation Parents Review Evening on Wednesday 21st November at 7.30pm in the parish hall.

Confirmation Session 2 will be held on Saturday 10th November at 4.00pm in Holy Trinity Convent.

Journey in Faith Group will meet on Monday 12th November 7.45pm for 8pm—9.30pm in the Upper Room. We welcome New Enquirers.

Advent Reflections on Laudato Si': Care for our Common Home. Two sessions to be held in St. Joseph's Parish Hall from 7.30-9.30pm.

Wednesday 28th November—Simple supper and global healing film.

Wednesday 5th December—Sharing and Reflection. Sharing, Reflection, and Action Plan for the future. **All parishioners are invited to attend.**

Sign up sheets are available in the foyer or on the Parish Website. Please sign up to give our caterers an idea of the numbers they will be providing supper for.

A Book of Remembrance is available in the Sacred Heart Chapel during the month of November. Please write the names of your deceased relatives and friends so they can be remembered in our prayers. The names of all our parishioners who have died in the last year have been included in the Book of Remembrance.

A Mass for Deceased Clergy will be celebrated on Tuesday 13th November at 11.30am in St. Edmund's, Beckenham. All invited to attend. **The names of the deceased priests who have served in our Parish are:** Fr. David Cox, Canon Edmund Grady, Fr. Stuart, Msgn. Patrick Daly, Canon Patrick Pearson, Fr. John O'Meara, Fr. Thomas Ford, Fr. Walter Cooksey, Fr. John Mathers and Fr. Eric Meade. Please pray for them.

Funerals:

The funeral of Maureen Spooner RIP will be held on Wednesday 14th November at 10.00am. Her coffin will be received into the church at 4.00pm on Tuesday 13th November.

The funeral of Marie Clare Watson RIP will be held on Thursday 22nd November at 12 noon.

Parish News & Events

Remembrance Sunday 11th November. Poppies are available to purchase from the foyer. Remembrance Service to be held **TODAY** (Sunday) at 10.45am in the Market Square, outside Primark. All welcome to attend.

New Parish Email addresses. In accordance with GDPR requirements the Pastoral Team and the Parish Office have all been issued with new email addresses. Please use these at all times in your correspondence. As of 1st December 2018 the old parish email addresses will no longer be in use.

Parish Office: bromley@rcaos.org.uk

See reverse of Newsletter for new email addresses of Pastoral Team.

Faith in Action Awards: Congratulations to all the young people in our parish and deanery who completed their final pieces towards their Faith in Action Award. Archbishop Peter Smith will present the Awards on Saturday 10th November. Well done to all the young people on their exceptional commitment and hard work.

Family Constellation Workshop will be held on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th November at Holy Trinity Convent. More information can be found on the leaflets in the foyer of the church. Free Open Day for new participants on Saturday 24th November. To book your place please contact Valentina on 07941 733550 or v.dovico@gmail.com.

Updated rotas for Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word are available in the foyer.

One Parish Christmas Social to be held on Sunday 2nd December from 10.30am-2.00pm. Raffle tickets are on sale after all Masses this weekend.

Christ the King Youth Day. All those in Year 7 and above are warmly invited to the **Christ the King Youth Day in the church hall on Saturday 24th November from 2.00-6.00pm.** Preparations are underway for a day packed with fun, music, art and reflection led by the **Catholic Youth Ministry Team** and will be followed by a Youth Mass at 6pm. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day. **If you would like to get involved with the musical activities, please make sure to bring your instruments with you on the day.**

Mission & Outreach

Marriage Matters: Giving from what little we have. Considering the context of today's readings, we see the 'holiness' inherent in the 'sacrifices' of all those involved. The reality of life's experiences indicates that it is through giving that we receive. The small things we do each day produce wonderful and fruitful consequences in our marriage. Our graced daily 'yes' to one another is what ultimately 'makes us holy'.

The Bromley Homeless Shelter opens in 2 weeks and once again many of our parishioners have signed up to volunteer – to cook, sleep overnight in the shelter, help with the activity cafe, do the laundry and provide breakfast. The Shelter needs to raise funds to provide all these services and have organised their annual sleep out on Friday 16th November. Susan Lowery and Fabienne Brazzill have agreed to spend the night just sheltered by their sleeping bags. You can sponsor them online on <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/> Thank you for your generosity. Fabienne and Susan

The Cafod Group would like to thank the Parish community for their donations received through small change boxes, which have been handed in recently, and coffee on a Sunday morning. £114 has been given. Thank you

St Cecilia's Christmas Fete. To be held on Saturday 24th November 2018 from 2 - 4pm at 32 Sundridge Avenue, Bromley BR1 2PZ .

Pax Christi An evening with Jim Forest. Reflecting on Thomas Merton, Dorothy Day and Daniel Berrigan. Thursday 13 Dec at St Pancras Church-Parish Hall, Lancing St. London NW1 6.45 for 7pm-9.00pm. Please see poster in foyer.

Pax Christi Christmas Cards, books and gifts www.paxchristi.org.uk/shop/ or contact the parish office.

Reverse Advent Calendars. Start on November 15th by placing an item each day in a box or carrier bag. On 15th December donate to the Bromley Foodbank. See poster in foyer and outside cabinet. Contact the parish office for Foodbank opening hours.

The Sisters of St. Peter Claver have written to thank all the parishioners of SS Joseph & Swithun for their generous donation of £986.03 towards the sale of their Mission Calendar. They are very grateful for your support.

Question of the Week

Adult: What are you willing to give out of love for God that would be a hardship for you?

Children: What would you be willing to give up for someone else?

PARISH FINANCES

We are the Parish and we all belong to God
Thank you for your generosity and for your support.

Last week the total contributed to the upkeep of the Parish was £2279.55 . This is made up of the money collected during Masses (£1524.55) and the average weekly standing order contributions (£755).

This weekend there will be a second collection for the **Archbishop's Fund for Diocesan Administration.**

When making your Will please remember the future needs of your Parish.

Diary of the Week



Sunday 11th November

10.30 am Coffee in Club Room
10.30 am First Reconciliation Prep—UR & HTC
10.30 am Baptism Session 2—SAR

Monday 12th November

5.30pm Brownies—Hall
7.00 pm Guides—Hall
7.45 for 8.00pm Journey in Faith—UR
8.00 pm Cafod Meeting—Club Room

Tuesday 13th November

10.30 am Coffee in Club Room
4.30 pm First Reconciliation Prep—UR

Wednesday 14th November

8.00 pm Meditation—UR

Thursday 15th November

4.00 pm Rainbows—Hall
5.15 pm Beavers—Hall
6.30 pm Cubs—Hall

Friday 16th November

7.00 pm Scouts—Hall
7.00 pm Explorer Scouts—Hall

Saturday 17th November

4.15 pm First Reconciliation Prep—UR

Sunday 18th November

10.30 am Coffee in Club Room
10.30 am First Reconciliation Prep—UR & HTC
10.30 am Baptism Session 3—SAR

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays: 11 am -12 noon & 5.00—5.45 pm or on request.

Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 10.30am

Parish Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Thursday 10.30 -11.30am and on Fridays 7.30-8.30pm.

Benediction on Saturday 10.30 -11.00am

Baptism: Parents & Expectant Parents—Kindly collect and fill in a Baptism Application form and bring this completed form to a Priest during Surgery hours. After registration one months preparation is required. Forms can be found at the back of the church or from the Parish Office.

Marriage: Please contact a Priest or Deacon during Surgery. **Six months notice required.**

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Surgeries (at Presbytery: no appointment needed)

Monday: Fr. Matthew 5-7pm **Wednesday: Fr. Tom 5-7 pm**

St. Joseph's School: Tel: 020 8460 1976 | Website: www.st-josephs.bromley.sch.uk

St. Joseph's Playgroup Ltd: Monday to Friday in Church Hall. Enquiries please ring 07961 413694