

MASS INTENTIONS

Psalter Week 2

Saturday 14th January

6.00 pm Laurie Reynolds RIP (Joan Barrick)
Rite of Choice—Confirmation Candidates

Sunday 15th January

8.00 am Janet Speight RIP
9.15 am John Gaughan RIP (Teresa & Family)
11.00 am Emily Margaret Smith (Spink)
5.00 pm Teresa Barclay

Monday 16th January

7.30 am* Patrick & Kate Quin RIP
10.00 am Private Intention

Tuesday 17th January St Anthony

10.00 am Neil Clark (Catenians)

Wednesday 18th January

10.00 am Wellbeing of Noemie Caires

Thursday 19th January St Wulstan

7.30 am* Private Intention
10.30 am **Funeral Mass: Carole Ann McCarthy RIP**

Friday 20th January St. Fabian & St Sebastian

10.00 am John Joseph Waller RIP
(11.00 am *Mass at St. Raphael's*)

Saturday 21st January St Agnes

10.00 am Sr. Agnes RIP
12.00 noon First Reconciliation
6.00 pm Noel O'Shea RIP

Sunday 22nd January

8.00 am Barclay Family
9.15 am UCM
11.00 am Ken Dodd RIP
5.00 pm Sean Wallace RIP

*7.30 am Masses are at Holy Trinity Convent

DIARY THIS WEEK

Sunday 15th January

9.15 am Childrens Liturgy
10.15 am Coffee after Mass
12 noon Social Club—Club Room
3.45 pm Baptism Preparation Session 2 in
Upper Room

Monday 16th January

5.30 pm Brownies—Hall
7.45pm for 8.00pm Journey in Faith—Upper
Room

Tuesday 17th January

10.30 am Coffee Morning—Club Room
3.00 pm Legion of Mary—Skip Appleton
7.00 pm Circuit Training—Hall
8.00 pm UCM—Upper Room
8.30 pm Zumba Fitness Class—Hall

Wednesday 18th January

12.30 pm CTCB Forum Meeting—Hall
3.30 pm Irish Dancing—Hall
7.30 pm Explorer Scouts—Hall
7.30 pm Learning for Life Coffee Evening
8.00 pm Jubilee Prayer Group HTC

Thursday 19th January

10.30 am Mums & Tots—Club Room
5.15 pm Beavers—Hall
6.30 pm Cubs—Hall

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St Joseph's Catholic Church

Plaistow Lane, Bromley

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2nd Sunday of the Year Year B 15th January 2012

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Surgeries [at Presbytery without an appointment]

Monday Fr. Saju : 6-8 pm Wednesday Fr. Tom: 5-7 pm

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Praying Families: Praying Parish

We launched this project involving the whole Parish on the first Sunday of Advent. Each householder was given our specially published resource featuring the Icon of the Holy Family. It includes familiar prayers and others less familiar; and also some suggestions on how to develop the practice of praying as a family even for a few minutes each day. This initiative was warmly welcomed. Praying as a family simply involves agreeing on a suitable time each day when parents and children can gather around a holy image e.g. Icon or Crucifix with a lighted candle. Then for a few moments focus on the lighted candle in silence and become aware of the light of Christ's presence in each of us. 'His Spirit lives in our hearts through faith'.

To encourage one another in this practice, one family each week takes home our Parish Icon of the Holy family which they use each day as a focus for their family prayer. Some have so valued this experience that they share it with us in the Newsletter. Here is one more from the Mazuri family:

"The presence of the Icon on the landing drew us together for our evening prayers. The spiritual family peace we received at that time was re-kindled every time we passed by the Icon. We have decided to fill the space that is now felt, by putting another religious picture in its place to continue the blessings we receive from praying together".

Would you like to share a few sentences for our Newsletter about your experience. The truth of your struggles and efforts will encourage others who want to pray with their children.
Fr. Tom

*READINGS & PRAYERS for today are on page 127
of the Parish Mass Book.*

Rosary: Daily, 10.30am.

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament: Saturdays 10.30am

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

BAPTISMS: One month preparation required. Please contact a Priest during Surgery.

WEDDINGS: 6 months notice required. Please contact your Parish priest

Familiaris Consortio. Celebrating Marriage and Family Life on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary of the papal letter on this subject (Familiaris Consortio). To be held on 11th February 2012 at Amigo Hall, **St. Georges's Cathedral, Southwark from 1.30-5.00 p.m.**

There will be workshops on:

1. Marital Spirituality
2. Home is a Holy Place
3. Deepening of communication skills.
4. Pass on our Faith tradition to our children.
5. Young people, lasting relationships and marriage.
6. Young people coping with loss.

If you would like to participate in this free course pick up a leaflet and book your place today. Fr. Tom

Pax Christi: Please place your donation for Pax Christi in the collection bag with your usual offering. For more information on the work of Pax Christi visit their website www.paxchristi.org.uk.

CTCB Forum Meetings 2012. Churches Together in Central Bromley warmly invite you to their Forum—a time of fellowship, discussion and prayer. Short talks are presented by representatives of our various churches. **First Session is on Wednesday 18th January 12.30-2.00pm 'The Air we Need'**. This session is being led by Fr. Tom McHugh. Please pick up a leaflet or see poster in foyer for further information on dates and times. Bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Sessions will be held in St. Joseph's Upper Room.

Baptism Preparation 2012: The second of four sessions will be today at 3.45pm in the Upper Room.

Journey in Faith 'Rite of Welcome' Celebration of the Word and Blessing of the Catechumens and Candidates. Saturday 28th January 2012 during 6.00pm Mass followed by Journey in Faith Social in the Upper Room.

The Rite of Welcome: The First Step: is a grace filled celebration since Catechumens and Candidates clearly express their desire publicly to become full members of the Church and this marks their welcome and first blessing by the Church. Our entire community are asked to help the Candidates and Catechumens throughout this process by praying for them, supporting them and encouraging them on their journey in faith.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation Saturday 21st January 12 noon. Children preparing to celebrate First Holy Communion in 2012 will celebrate this sacrament. Please pray for them and their families that this may be a happy and blessed occasion.

First Holy Communion Preparation Session 1 on Tues. 24 & Sun. 29 January.

First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting on Friday 27 January at 8.00pm in Church Hall will focus on Celebrating the Eucharist.

Carole Ann McCarthy's funeral will be held on Thursday 19th January at 10.30am.

Mr. John (Jack) Murphy's funeral will be held on Monday 23rd January at 10.00am.

Angela Dean passed away on Thursday 5th January. Her cremation will be on Tuesday 24th January with a Church Service at a later date.

We offer the support of our prayers, with deepest sympathy to the families.

Roger Hammond RIP. Marita would like to express her thanks and appreciation for all the Masses and prayer support that she has received from many parishioners at this difficult time. A Mass will be offered for your intentions.

UCM Membership Fees are now due. Please pay at the Coffee Morning on Tuesdays or the UCM Meeting on the 17th January in the Upper Room at 8.00pm. Also, please place your order for your 2013 UCM diary. Thank you.

Flame Youth Congress. Wembley Arena 24th March 2012. One Day Event. This is a youth event building on the Papal visit of 2012 for details see www.cymfed.org/flame. It is suitable for Year 9 and above. For more information contact **Matt Gibbs** (familygibbs.gibbs3@ntlworld.com). To travel with Southwark Diocese please email him by 21st January. Tickets £14.00 each.

Winter Night Shelter for the Homeless in Bromley. The Shelter hopes to run until the end of February providing a hot meal, bed and breakfast in a secure environment between 9.00pm and 8.00am. Volunteers needed. For further information contact the Parish Office.

The Catholic Bishops Conference organise Parliamentary and Public Policy Internships for recently graduated Catholics. This year they are looking to offer 8 internships running from September 2012—July 2013. For further information see notice in foyer or contact the Parish Office.

Olympics 2012: More Than Gold. If you unable to become involved with MTG activities then you may consider Praying! Prayer Centres are being formed so that whenever there is a crisis a hotline to the Prayer Centres can be activated. Every day the More Than Gold staff meet together to pray for their day's work and a special book is kept and updated with all intentions. Perhaps St. Joseph's Church can be a Prayer Centre during the Games. Would you be prepared to pray? Deacon Duncan.

Coffee Rota. The new coffee rota for Sunday Mornings is now ready. Please see notice in foyer and Club Room.

The Festival Chorus will be singing Stainer's 'Crucifixion' in St. James Petts Wood on Sunday March 25th at 7.30pm. People from all the churches in the Bromley Deanery are most welcome. Rehearsals are in St James on Sunday afternoons 3.00-4.30pm and start on Sunday 15th January. The charity this year will be the Marie Curie Cancer Fund.

Learning for Life (Uganda). Bring and Buy Sale and Coffee Evening to be held on Wednesday 18th January at 7.30pm at Audrey Ward's house. Please contact Parish Office for further details.

Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi: 25—30 June 2012. Led by Fr. Saju in collaboration with Vapour Travels. 5 nights half board. Price £689.00 per person. £170.00 single supplement. 3 nights in Rome and 2 nights in Assisi. Contact Brian Daley on 0208 857 5260. Also see poster in foyer for further details. **All bookings to be received by 25th January 2012.** Thank you.

Smile International—Christmas Shoeboxes. Thank you very much for supporting our Smile International Christmas Shoebox programme and for the lovely donation of 109 shoeboxes, stationery, toiletries and sweets from St. Joseph's Parish and Primary School. We really appreciate your support in this way and are very grateful to you. Please see full letter in foyer.

Collection. Recently 1000 Pakistani rupees were put in the collection box. Unfortunately the banks do not accept these. Will the donor please collect from the Parish Office. Also, could Mr. RE Hawksley contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

Offertory Collection for last Sunday amounted to: £1722.00
Thank You.