

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- 1. St Patrick's Dance (Paddy Joe)–Saturday, 21st March** 7:30pm–11:30pm.
Music by Pat Webster. Tickets on sale for £10. Food on sale & Licensed Bar.
Featuring a display of Irish Dancing.
- 2. MAY DANCE- Saturday, 16th May** 7:30pm–11:30pm –Live Music by Maz & Co. Tickets £10, Food on sale & Licensed Bar.

For Health & Safety & Safe Guarding reasons, would Parents kindly supervise their children at all times, especially when using the toilets, particularly in the Hall.

THE ALTAR—Please note that the altar is sacred and we have to respect that. Unauthorised persons are not allowed on to the altar unless asked.
Any queries about the Mass, please ask the Sacristan on duty.

Mini Chapel/Prayer Room at the back of the Church—The room is meant to be kept sacred and not be used as a store room. You are kindly advised to relocate your items or equipment. If you are not sure where to store certain items, kindly contact the Parish Secretary.

LOST PROPERTY— We have pieces of jewellery, rosaries, spectacles, wallets/purses, keys and items of clothing. Please see the Parish Secretary.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS—kindly donate generously towards the flowers for Easter. Thank you.

PARISH REGISTRATION—Please ensure to register with the Parish. There are forms at the back of the Church.

Pilgrimages—2026

SCOTLAND—Coach trip to Scotland to visit Scotland's national shrine to **Our Lady of Lourdes** which was opened in 1922. Leaving St. Chad's Church on **Monday, 13 July** early morning and returning on **Friday, 17 July 2026**. Cost: twin room sharing per person is £460 and a single room is £570. This includes bed and breakfast (Full English), return coach fare and excursions including the day visiting the *National Catholic Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Carfin with a full day spiritual programme including Mass*. Spaces are limited so first come first served basis.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage: Join Fr Ambrose for a pilgrimage to Medjugorje from **Saturday 8th – Friday 14th August, 2026**. The all-inclusive price is **£850/person**. Contact: enquiries@jcjourneys.com; www.jcjourneys.com; Tel: 01886 812862 or Karen Lobo: 07801817231.

THIS SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

1st Reading: Genesis 12: 1-4a;

Psalm: 33(32): *May Your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in You, O Lord.*

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10;

Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9.

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Fr Fabian Adindu C.S.Sp.

Parish Secretary: Karen Maria Dadson

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10:30am—3:30pm

Hall enquiries: stchadshallbookings@gmail.com



WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (1ST MARCH 2026)

SUNDAY MASSES: VIGIL—6:30PM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

DAILY MORNING MASSES: 9:30AM (MONDAY TO FRIDAY); 10AM (SATURDAY)

WEEKLY EVENING MASSES: WEDNESDAY MASS FOR THE SICK

& ADORATION: 7:30PM; FRIDAY EVENING MASS: 7:30PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: TUESDAY: 10AM–12NOON,

WEDNESDAY: AFTER EVENING MASS, SUNDAY: 4:30PM– 6:00PM

CONFESSIONS: BEFORE OR AFTER DAILY MASSES; 6PM-6:25PM (SATURDAYS)

ROSARY: EVERYDAY AFTER MORNING MASS (EXCEPT TUESDAY & SATURDAY)

BIBLE STUDIES: THURSDAY @ 7:30PM (GUILD ROOM)

DEVOTIONAL GROUPS

MONDAY— CHARISMATICS (7:30 PM); TUESDAY—DIVINE MERCY (7:30PM); THURSDAY—Padre Pio Prayer Group & Bible Study Group; FRIDAY—LEGION OF MARY (5:00 PM); SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY) —SVP (7:30PM ON ZOOM).
Contact: presidentA190305@svp.org.uk 07305119836.

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



Sick and Housebound: Charlene Onumonu, Venetia Green, Florence Otokito, Maria Alejandra Boero, Cherlez Philip, Henry Aboagye-Brobbe, Beautilyn Awe, Uley Headlam, Clare Kedves, Ethan Moore, Avril Carver, Eucelle Cato, Trisha Griffen, Janetta Griffen, Fr Peter Ehinmiro CSSp, Brother Joseph Mbah CSSp.

Recently Deceased: Noel Dantas, Veronica Aloba, Christopher Nkwo, Victoria Agyemang, Apokurama Awuni, Nsobire Jarvis Awuni, Pius Aboh, Biodun Buhari, William Samuel, Pat White, Fr Patrick Gaffney CSSp, Adesina Adeleke, Francisca Mauta Nzyimi, Fr Amos Daboer, Charlotte Green, Alice Berkoh, Tom D'Arcy, Noel Collins, Thomas Michael, Rosario Santos, Mavis Woodbine.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THE DONATION BOXES AND DONA MACHINES. GOD BLESS YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (01/03/26) YEAR A

	<u>Vigil Mass on Saturday</u>	6:30PM	Thanksgiving: Felicia Oben & Family
		8:30AM	Holy Souls by the Luu Family
		10:30AM	Blessings: Caritan, Ayen & Michael Achiri-Ngu
		6:00PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
MONDAY, 2ND MARCH		9:30AM	RIP: Mrs Dawn Shaw
TUESDAY, 3RD MARCH	<u>BENEDICTION & ADORATION</u>	9:30AM	RIP: Amon De Souza (3rd Anniversary)
		10:15AM	<i>Adoration ends at 12:00noon</i>
WEDNESDAY, 4TH MARCH	<u>ST CASIMIR</u>	9:30AM	RIP: Leo Lim (Billy) by Dorothy's Daughters
	<u>STATION OF THE CROSS</u>	7:00PM	<i>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</i>
	<u>EVENING MASS</u>	7:30PM	For all Parishioners who are ill
THURSDAY, 5TH MARCH		9:30AM	Birthday: Sarah Asamoah Owusu
FRIDAY, 6TH MARCH	<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u>	9:30AM	RIP: Eugene Tandoh (1st Anniversary)
	<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u>	10:15AM	<i>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</i>
	<u>EVENING MASS</u>	7:00PM	<i>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</i>
		7:30PM	RIP: Anthony Adotey Edoh
SATURDAY, 7TH MARCH	<u>STs PERPETUA & FELICITY</u>	10:00AM	RIP: Nanapragasam, Sesamma & Edwin
	<u>VIGIL MASS</u>	6:30PM	RIP: Eugene Tandoh (1st Anniversary)

2nd Collection this weekend: CAFOD Lent Fast Day

CAFOD Lent Fast Day Collection: Across the world, communities are working hard to grow food despite the challenges of climate change. Drought in Zimbabwe, and flooding in Bangladesh and South Sudan are damaging crops and putting families at risk of hunger. This Lent, through fasting, prayer and giving, CAFOD stands alongside communities leading their own efforts to build a more hopeful future. Find out how CAFOD's Lent Appeal supports [climate-resilient gardens](#)

"I wonder how many of you are wearing crucifixes at the moment. I'm getting used to wearing one like this. Quite large and quite visible for people. It's making me think about the cross. Not only as a symbol, but as a way of life"... "It is his loving surrender that we are called to imitate and prayerfully contemplate and give thanks for, especially during Lent" -- Bishop Gerard Bradley

STANDING ORDERS AND ONLINE DONATIONS

Please would you seriously consider the option of setting up Standing Orders for your weekly donations to the parish. If you need help in setting this up, consult the Parish Office or your bank. Thanks so much for your understanding.



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CROYDON DEANERY NOTICE— Kindly note that at the last Croydon Deanery meeting, Parishes were asked to have a reduced summer mass schedule for the weekend masses, which will **'take effect each year on the third weekend in July, and continue to include the first weekend in September.** It is an Archdiocesan-wide initiative and is meant to give some respite to the priests as well as based on the number of people attending each particular mass – (In the majority of parishes across the Archdiocese, parishioners are away for some time in summer, and Mass attendance falls). Discernment and discussions are still ongoing but it looks quite likely that the 6:00pm Sunday Mass— only during the period mentioned above—may be affected. This will mean if that is the discerned way forward in Summer 2026, there will be no Sunday 6:00pm Mass during that period. We shall keep everyone informed – and please do read the bulletin always – **but in the meantime please note this year's dates,** if that is the way forward: On Sunday, 19th July 2026 there will no 6:00pm Mass until Sunday, 13th September 2026 when the 6:00pm Mass resumes. PLEASE STAY VERY GLUED TO THIS PAGE.

Building a Better Marriage - BABM. A one-day course for married couples to privately explore their relationship more deeply, gain valuable insights into communication, and better understand the call of the Church to be married. Whether married for one year, 60 years, or anywhere in between or above, you are welcome. There is no group sharing and private information remains confidential to each couple. Booking (via Carole mflkent@rcaos.org.uk) is essential. The dates for BABM in 2026 (9am-4.30pm) are: **7 March** - Tonbridge Parish (Tonbridge Wells Deanery); **23 May** - Wallington (Sutton Deanery); **13 June** - Hythe (Dover Deanery); **3 October** - West Norwood (Lambeth Deanery); **7 November** - parish TBC (Wandsworth Deanery)

SACRAMENT BOX

RCIA - (Adult Catechism) meet Mondays at 7:30pm in the Guild Room.

RCIC – (Catechism for the young— 8 to 17yrs) on Saturdays after 10am Mass

Infant Baptism – usually on the 4th Sunday of every month except August & December where no Baptisms are held.

First Holy Communion – Applications begin in Sept/Oct and Catechism starts in January.

Confirmation —Applications begin in September and catechism starts in November

Marriage – Book an appointment to meet Father. Process takes a minimum of 6 months. Contact the Parish Secretary for further details.

Croydon Catholic Deanery— Bringing Parishes Together

2 evenings in Lent: Thursday 5th March & Thursday 12th March – 7:30pm–9pm
At St Aidan's Church, Coulsdon, Chipstead Valley Road, CR5 3DD

John 4 - Jesus speaks to the woman at the well. - *New life in Christ.*

John 9 - The healing of the blind man. - *To see is to believe.*

The Gospels will be read in parts, using the style of the Passion reading. Fr. Peter Mansfield will give a talk on the texts with special reference as to why these readings are linked to Baptism and the Easter mystery in our liturgical / catechetical tradition.