

A parishioner writes

### SUNDAY REFLECTION

This is a paragraph from the foreword of a book "Free to Believe" by Michael Paul Gallagher. It is particularly down to earth, believable and poignant.

"Free to Believe" helps us to understand the central theme of "a battle zone" where each one of us is called to struggle and to receive a freedom to love. My own battle is a community, called L'Arche where I have been living for over 20 years with mentally handicapped men and women - we do everything together and sometimes even fight with each other. However, we learn how to forgive each other. Although many of these people seem imprisoned within their own broken psyche I have discovered or been able to unearth a yearning for love and recognition. Some of them, recognising our acceptance of them, have accepted themselves and this leads them to recognise that there is a love, a deeper peace and a form of wholeness. Their eyes are no longer dulled with pain, anger and self pity. There is a light there!

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	8.30 am Pro Pop	<b>Thursday</b>	10.00 am Aires Fernandes ( <i>Get Well</i> )
	10.00 am Augusto Cardoso <i>RIP</i>		6.15 pm Mary Walsh <i>RIP</i>
	11.30 am Donna Heade <i>RIP</i>	<b>Friday</b>	10.00 am Elizabeth Prowse ( <i>Int</i> )
	6.15 pm Eileen McCarthy <i>RIP</i>		6.15 pm Beryl Wevill <i>RIP</i>
<b>Monday</b>	10.00 am Druston Moraes <i>RIP</i>	<b>Saturday</b>	10.00 am Tony Pearce ( <i>Well Being</i> )
	6.15 pm Bruno Dias <i>RIP</i>		6.15 pm Bernadette Burdge ( <i>Int</i> )
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00 am D'Souza & Britto Families <i>RIP</i>	<b>Sunday</b>	8.30 am Pro Pop
	6.15 pm Sean Hayes <i>RIP</i>		10.00 am Jack Konsein <i>RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00 am Breda McCarmack ( <i>Int</i> )		11.15 am Charles Dance <i>RIP</i>
	6.15 pm Karoly Ellenbacher <i>RIP</i>		6.15 pm J, A & C Lobo <i>RIP</i>

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection: Gift Aid Envelopes £488.00, Loose £969.00. Total £1,457.00. Thank you.

### Second Collection this weekend: A Day for Life.

The weekend of 17/18th June marks the Church's annual Day for Life. This year we recall sadly the passing of the Abortion Act 50 years ago. At all Masses, except the First Holy Communions, you will be offered a prayer card with a meditation on what Pope Francis calls 'a sense of life' together with one or two joyful life-embracing testimonies. At the end of Mass you will have a chance to make a donation to the Anscombe Bioethics Centre to enable further research into life issues.

# ST ANSELM'S CHURCH

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Corpus Christi

17th & 18th June 2017 (Year A)

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### Parish Team:

Rev Canon William Hebborn (*Parish Priest*)  
Fr Philip Andrews and Fr Paul Connelly.  
Deacon Michael Carrucan, Deacon Simon English,  
Deacon Tom McCarthy & Thelma Lewis.  
Tom Gately (*Catechetical Co-ordinator*).  
Martine Mercer (*Parish Administrator*).

### Parish Sisters:

The Little Company of Mary.

### Mass Times:

Saturday 10.00am & 6.15pm.

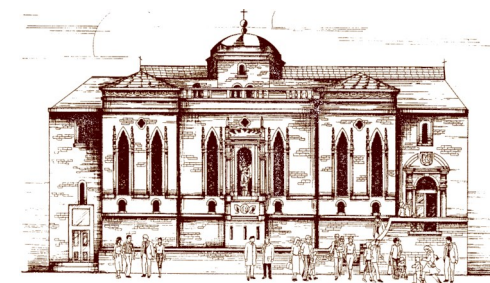
Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am, 11.15am & 6.15pm.

### Mass times during the week:

10.00am & 6.15pm. (No 8.00am).

Holydays: 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.15pm & 8.00pm.

**Confessions:** Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm & 7.00pm.



### WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday:	2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 97:1-4; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 145:2.5-9; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 111:1-4.9; Mt 6:1-6.16-18
Thursday:	2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 110:1-4.7-8; Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	Duet 7:6-11; Ps 102:1-4.6-8.10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30
Saturday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 138:1-3.13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66.80
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Jer 20:10-13; Ps 68:8-10.14.17.33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33</b>

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH

We pray for all our housebound parishioners, including those in the six nursing homes and Springfield Hospital. **Recently ill:** Eula Britto, Kath Higgins, Clifford Tetteh, Rebecca Hebborn, Dorothy Harkins, Patrick O'Sullivan, Jo Sahemri, Lynne Ranghel, Maureen Connors, Fr Tony Boateng Mensah, Tina Tona, Barbara Bohanna, Theresa D'Souza, Fr Paul Connelly, Maureen Burgess, Liz Reina, Bernard Cooney, Jon Chesterton, Carmen Carril, Temesa Ejaise, Kazimera de Cruz, Janet Henry, Albert Folivi, Bernadette Burdge, Joao Carvalho, Alistair Lorimer, Czeslaw Bacik and Gina Bandolfi.

(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list)

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16

Moses reminds the people how it was God who fed them in the wilderness.

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Bread and cup make us one in Christ.

**Gospel** John 6:51-58

Jesus proclaims, "I am the bread of life.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL** of Karoly Ellenbacher who died recently. Requiem Mass on Wednesday 5th July at 10am. We especially remember Karoly, family and friends at this time.

**A COURSE FOR PENTECOST "THE GIFT"** Take some time out from the hubbub of your daily life and treat yourself to some spiritual renewal! The Gift is a lively DVD-led course with engaging speakers such as David Payne and Jenny Baker who will inspire and provoke with a fresh and down-to-earth witness to the challenges of living a Spirit-filled life in a modern world. So leave the office on time, book a babysitter if necessary and give yourself the opportunity to deepen your relationship with God, our loving Father. Come and join us this week as the course continues on Tuesdays at 7.45pm for 8pm start in the upper new hall. Find out more at [www.thegiftofthespirit.org](http://www.thegiftofthespirit.org)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS SUNDAY 18th June at 11.30am**

Fifty-three children of the parish will be receiving their first Holy Communion. The Mass has been moved from 11.15am to 11.30am to help avoid too much congestion following the 10am Mass and allow enough time for the church to be prepared. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

**ST ANSELM'S PRO-LIFE GROUP**

A talk Rhoslyn Thomas of SPUC, 'Keeping our children prolife' on Monday 19th June from 8-9.30pm in the upper new hall, entrance on Tooting Bec Road.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS' GATHERING**

We extend an invitation to all Extraordinary Ministers to join us for this gathering on **Thurs 22nd June at 7.45pm** in the upper new hall to meet with their fellow Ministers in this important Ministry. All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are expected to attend the Blessed Sacrament Procession on Sunday 25th June at 3pm when they will renew their Commitment during the service. We will need a number of ushers to help at the procession. Please can you contact Martine in the parish office (020 8672 2179 or email: [stanselmstbec@gmail.com](mailto:stanselmstbec@gmail.com)) to confirm your attendance. Please arrive by 2.30pm so that we can confirm your tasks. Thank you. *Fr Will*

**BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION Sunday 25th June at 3pm**

We invite the whole parish to join in this celebration which commences in the church at 3pm when there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Weather permitting there will be a procession to the garden at the CCF and the service will conclude in the church. Extraordinary Ministers will renew their Commitment during the service. **All Altar Servers to arrive by 2.15pm in the sacristy and First Holy Communicants by 2.30pm in the upper new hall. All the newly Confirmed and their families** are encouraged to attend. Tea will be served in the old hall Balham High Road entrance following the service. All welcome!

**COVENANT WITH THE POOR Food Bank Appeal**

Next week, 25th June. There will be a collection of breakfast items - tea, coffee, cocoa, sugar, marmalade, jam, biscuits, also toiletries - toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gel, deodorant, bath soap, razors and shampoo. Items may be placed at the rear of the church by the Welcome Table. Please donate as much as you can afford. *Thank you.*

**ART ATTACK / POSTER COMPETITION - Amended dates**

To celebrate our registration for CAFOD's Live Simply Award we are holding an art competition. Inspire St Anselm's Parish with your ideas **to protect the environment using your artistic talents**. It can be a collage or a drawing using paints or crayons (A4-A3 size) This competition is open to primary school and secondary school students and adults over 18. Prizes will be awarded for the best entry in each category: Infants & Juniors, Secondary Students and Adults. **Closing date 8th/9th July deliver artwork to the parish office. Pleasure ensure you place name and age on the reverse of the poster. Winners will be announced in the upper new hall after the 10.00am Mass on 16th July** to coincide with the launch of our registration for CAFOD's Live Simply Award.

**YOUNG ADULTS**

Young Adult Mass today at 6.15pm (3rd Sunday of the month). If you enjoy singing or playing an instrument please contact Hannah Furey:[hannahmills88@hotmail.com](mailto:hannahmills88@hotmail.com). All welcome!

**NEWLY CONFIRMED OF THE PARISH Reunion Evening:** Saturday 8th July **Pizza & Popcorn Film Night** 7.00pm-9.00pm in the upper new hall. Please confirm attendance with Martine in the parish office 020 8672 2179/[stanselmstbec@gmail.com](mailto:stanselmstbec@gmail.com) for catering purposes.

**SATURDAY CATECHISM** Saturday morning classes (term time) from 10.45-11.30am for children attending a non-Catholic Primary School. **Please contact the parish office for further details 020 8672 2179.**

**CARING KITCHEN SUNDAY 12.15-2.00pm**

No Caring Kitchen during June and we look forward to seeing you all again in July - Sunday 9th & 23rd. For further information please contact: [caringkitchensw@gmail.com](mailto:caringkitchensw@gmail.com)

**THE CENTRE FOR CATHOLIC FORMATION (CCF)** 21 Tooting Bec Road, London SW17 8BS are looking for a volunteer Gardener(s) to mow the lawn, cut back the bushes and keep the grounds generally tidy. Equipment and materials provided. If you, or you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Graham Wallis, Centre Administrator on 0208 672 7684 or email: [gwallis@ccftootingbec.org.uk](mailto:gwallis@ccftootingbec.org.uk)

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

If you are able to offer a couple of hours on a Tuesday morning (10.45am-12noon) please contact the parish office 020 8672 2179.

**MISSIO** Holy Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 8th July, at 2.00pm at St. George's Cathedral. The Mass is a thanksgiving to all who are involved in or support the work of Missio's Association for the Propagation of the Faith and the Mill Hill Missionaries, which is generously sustained through proceeds of the Red Box. The main celebrant will be Fr. Anthony Chantry, MHM; he will be joined by Mill Hill Missionary Priest Fr. Jimmy Lindero. Following the Mass, please join us for tea, coffee and refreshments in the Amigo Hall; there will be an opportunity to have a chat with the Mill Hill Missionaries, Missio staff and other Red Box supporters, and to watch a couple of short videos about the work overseas which has been supported. All welcome!