

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Deptford. 131 Deptford High Street, SE8 4NS Email: deptford@rcaos.org.uk Phone: 02086922011 Website: www: ola-rcdeptford.org.uk Parish Priest: Fr. Cosmas Ikirodah, MSP



Eleventh Sunday 18th to 24th June 2023

9.00am Intentions: Katherine Gomez, B'day thanksgiving.

11.00 am Intentions: Layiwola O. Ajala (RIP), Vanessa Eluchie-Duru (B'day thanksgiving).

6.30pm Intentions: UCM (Special Intentions).

Weekday Adoration and Masses

Weekdays Adoration: Tuesday - Friday 8.00 – 8.50 am Weekday Masses: 9.00am

Saturday Adoration and Benediction: 8.50am - 9.50am Saturday Mass: 10.00am

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday 19th: Father's day off—No Mass.

Tuesday 20th: Beatrice Niemogha (B'day).

Wednesday 21st: No Mass Today. Father on Away Training

Thursday 22nd: All parishioners.

Friday 23rd: John Bosco Aduko (RIP), Holy Souls, Gabriel Deji Falade (RIP).

Saturday 24th: All parishioners.

Confession: Saturdays at 10.40am - 11.30am and by appointment.

Parish Office Hours: 10.00am - 2.00pm, Tuesday to Friday.

Parish Bookshop: Opens every Sunday after the 9.00am & 11.00am Masses.

Coffee Morning: There is Coffee Morning every Sunday after the 9.00am Mass. You are all welcome.

References For Bank Transfer

Please state collection name in the reference: 1st Col (Gift Aid or not), 2nd Col (Gift Aid or not), Mass Stipend, Holy Souls, Church Roof, Presbytery, Poor Souls etc.

<u>Please use the online Mass Booking form if you pay Mass</u> <u>via bank transfer or DONA.</u>

Sunday 4th—10th June) Offertory Collection & DONA

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £770.26	Thank you
Mass stipend: £35.60	Thank you
Votive Candles: £295.82	Thank you
Holy Souls: £85.68	Thank you
Poor Box: £90.27	Thank you
1st Holy Communion: £246.98	Thank you

Church restoration: £687.07 (incl. UCM Church roof £500. Special thanks to UCM)

Total: £2,211.68

The Total Cost For Parish Roof Repairs will be £16,620.00

The total cost for our parish roof repairs will cost £16, 620.00 VAT Inclusive. The repairs will cover the following: Replace the iron cast gutters with uPVC on both size of the roof. Treatment of the roof with biocide to kill the moss and application of layers of sealant to prevent moss re-growth for 10 years. Please note that £11,520.00 of the repair cost is for Scaffolding. **Total Amount Raised so far £ 18,441.68**

Contribution/Donation to the Parish and For Roof

Repair: Parishioners who wish to contribute or donate to support the church and for the Roof Repair should please use the parish bank account below:

Account name: **RCAS Deptford** Sort Code: **60-13-10** Account number: **42-11-11-53**

Alternatively, you may wish to drop your offering envelope through the letter box of the Presbytery or use DONA Contact-less device in the church



and Narthex, or scan this QR code: Thank you for your donation. May the Almighty God continues to bless you and your family. Amen.

Latest Info on Parish Roof Repairs

Gospel Reflection: Relationship is Key

The parish Building Committee has awarded the contract to fix our parish roof. The work to de-moss the roof, replace the guttering and fix the leaks, etc will start on Thursday 22nd June 2023. Mounting of scaffolding will start on Tuesday 20th June 2023. I wish to thank you all for the support and contribution you have given to this project. May Almighty God bless and reward you abundantly. Amen.

Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, Sept. 23rd , 3pm, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let your parish know as soon as possible, and no later than **31st July**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. You can also get in touch with us at mflse@rcaos.org.uk As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g.

Dates for Parish Baptism

July: Saturday 29th @ 2pm August: Saturday 26th @ 2pm

All baptism forms should be completed and returned a week before your chosen date. Forms can be downloaded from website page Baptism (<u>www.ola-rcdeptford.org.uk/Baptism</u>)

On-line Mass Bookings

We have set up the online Mass Booking form on our parish website. Parishioners are encouraged to use the form to book Mass when they are paying by DONA or by bank transfer. This form will ensure that when you pay online or via bank transfer your Mass will be said on the day. The form is easy to use and takes less than 3mins. The form can be found at the top menu on the parish website <u>https://</u>ola-rcdeptford.org.uk.

Renewed Ukraine appeal following flooding

Ukraine is facing yet another humanitarian emergency with the destruction of the Nova Kakhovka dam. Thousands of people have been forced to leave their homes and Christian Aid's local partners say there is now a risk of disease from water contaminated by dead animals and sewage. Teams in Ukraine have been working around the clock, since the dam was blown up on June 6 2023, to ensure fresh water supplies reach survivors. According to the UN, around 80 towns and villages have been flooded with 17,000 people affected. It is feared this could rise to 40,000.

Please consider donating online this week via one of our Catholic Aid Agencies or Christian Aid.

We are invited for a health check at our medical centre. We know we are out of shape and that we will probably get a bit of lecture! The health practitioner takes us through a check list. How much do we drink? How much do we smoke? How much exercise do we take? How much fruit do we eat? Then we are given a bit of advice and



a leaflet on healthy living. We stuff the leaflet in a pocket and escape. Any good counsellor will agree that issuing someone with a list of do's and don'ts is rarely helpful. That's not how change works. Key to facilitating change is relationship. When we talk to people and work out what is important to them and what they are struggling with, only then can we really help or be helped.

In today's gospel Jesus encourages his disciples to go out amongst the people to seek out the lost and remove the obstacles between them and God. He didn't send out the disciples in a spirit of judgment, but a spirit of empathy. Empathy and relationship are essential when it comes to helping someone to change. Jesus was able to change people's lives simply by the way in which he related to them and he asks us to do the same.

So how do we respond to Jesus' command to share what we have learned? Do we try to impose our views on others whether they like it or not, or do we take time to gain genuine and sensitive insight to make relationship key.

Saint Thomas More-22nd June

In 1534, Thomas More, with his close friend, St. John Fisher, refused to render allegiance to the King as the Head of the

Church of England and was confined to the Tower. Fifteen months later, and nine days after St. John Fisher's execution, Thomas More was tried and convicted of treason. He told the court that he could not go against his conscience and wished his judges that "we may yet hereafter in



heaven merrily all meet together to everlasting salvation." And on the scaffold, he told the crowd of spectators that he was dying as "the King's good servant-but God's first." He was beheaded on July 6, 1535.

On this feast day we are asked to support prisoners of conscience or those who are persecuted. Consider today supporting a charity such as 'Aid To the Church in Need' or 'Amnesty International'. Support those who are imprisoned or persecuted simply for their beliefs.

Refugee Week: 19th-25th June 2023

This week we are encouraged to look at ways to broaden or change our perspectives. This week we are asked to do something simple to learn about other people's stories or other people's cultures. This might be as simple as watching a film, reading a book or sharing a meal. Aim to make this a simple act that the whole family can share.