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The Most Holy Trinity4th June to 10th June 2023

9.00am Intentions: Love Dumebi Odogwu (B'day).

11.00 am Intentions: All parishioners.6.30pm Intentions: All parishioners.

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 5th: Father's day off—No Mass

Tuesday 6th: All parishioners.

Wednesday 7th: All parishioners.

Thursday 8th: All parishioners.

Friday 9th: Bidu Horan (RIP), Holy Souls.

Saturday 10th: 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 via bank transfer or DONA.</u>

Sunday (28th May to 2nd June) Offertory Collection & DONA:

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £1056.22 Thank you

Mass stipend: £84.62 Thank you

Church Restoration: £29.67 Thank you

Total: £1,170.51

(DONA total for Saturday 26-27th May: £421.15)

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 £ 14,905.95**

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
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

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

Dates for Parish Baptism

June: Saturday 17th @ 2pm 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 (www.ola-rcdeptford.org.uk/Baptism)

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 https://ola-rcdeptford.org.uk.

Month of the Sacred Heart

June is traditionally the month when Catholics are urged to show special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is the celebration of God's love for us. The Sacred Heart is the symbol of the eternal love by which "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son". (Jn 3:16).



Beat Plastic Pollution

5th June 2023

'Beat Plastic Pollution', is the theme for World Environment Day 2023. This is something we've been listening to for many years now, but it's time to accelerate action towards an end to plastic pollution.

To do:-

Ever wondered how you could cut down the amount of plastic you throw away? Why not try taking your own plastic challenge to see how many single-use plastics you can swap out of your everyday life?"

A God Who Doesn't Condemn

We only have to switch the TV on to know there is plenty of evil in the world, but in today's Gospel John reminds us that if we know and believe in God we can stand up to that evil and that we will never be condemned. If we believe in God we will be saved. But how do we even begin to know



God? Do we think of a God who created the world billions of years ago but has been pretty quiet since? Do we think of God who sent his Son to save us, but only know it because the story sits in a bible up on the bookshelf? Or do we think of a God who made us, a God who sent his Son to teach us, and a God who sent his Spirit to guide us through each day of our lives and through each generation that walks the earth?

The Trinity might be a bit of a theological mystery to us, but that doesn't mean to say that we are not able to understand anything of God. We understand God in three ways; as Father and creator, as Son and redeemer, and as God's Spirit left to guide and strengthen us.

God the Father is all around us. God's miracles are in front of our eyes when we wake up in the morning and in the night skies before we go to sleep. We live on the only planet able to support life in our universe. God's miracles are there for all to see in our breath-taking landscapes, in our oceans teeming with life and in mankind itself. How often do we stop to praise God's creation or appreciate the miracles that surround us?

God the Son came to teach us with stories and signs. He came to reveal God's plan for us. God the Son came to show us the way to God the Father. Gods' Son came to us in a great manifestation of God's love. "God so loved the world that he sent his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

The Spirit of God is the part of God left to guide us and lead us. The Holy Spirit is something we can completely forget about ... or something we can call on every day, in every choice and in every decision we make.

Believing in God means that we are never condemned. Belief begins with knowing God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit in every part of our lives.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Victims of Torture

Torture is not past history. Unfortunately, it's part of our history today. There are extremely violent forms of torture. Others are more sophisticated, such as degrading someone, dulling the senses, or mass detentions in conditions so inhumane that they take away the dignity of the person.

In putting a stop to this horror, it is essential to put the dignity of the person above all else, because without this dignity, the victims become 'less than human' and can be mistreated mercilessly, causing death or permanent psychological and physical harm lasting a lifetime.

This month Pope Francis invites us to join in his prayer intention, "....that the international community commit itself concretely to abolish torture, guaranteeing support to victims and their families."