



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Deptford.
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Sixteenth Sunday 30th July to 5th August 2023

9.00am Intentions: Mrs Justina Nkiruka (mother) (RIP), Caitlin Chibuike-Richard (B'day), Komi Robert Gaglo (RIP).
11.00 am Intentions: Tosan Neburagho (B'day).
6.30pm Intentions: Mama Feza & Papa Clement Kamwanga (Death Anniversary), Bijundi Bashige (50th anniversary).

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 31st: Father's day off—No Mass.

Tuesday 1st: Chibuika-Richard Family (Thanksgiving), Mabel Ginger (RIP).

Wednesday 2nd: Mabel Ginger (RIP).

Thursday 3rd: Anuri Ifeynwa Odogwu (B'day), Mabel Ginger (RIP).

Friday 4th: All parishioners.

Saturday 5th: 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.

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

Sunday 16th to 22nd July Offertory Collection & DONA

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £786.92	Thank you
2nd Collection & Gift Aid: £4.92	Thank you
Mass stipend: £66.70	Thank you
Parish Restoration: £259.84	Thank you
Tithe: £100	Thank you

(2nd Collection will be put towards Peter's Pence)

Total: £1,218.38

On-line Mass Bookings

We would like to remind parishioners to use the online mass booking form when you are paying mass via DONA or bank transfer. There have been a couple of mass bookings via DONA with no accompanying bookings. Your mass will not be said if we do not have the information. You can find the form on the top menu on our website <https://ola-rcdeptford.org.uk>.

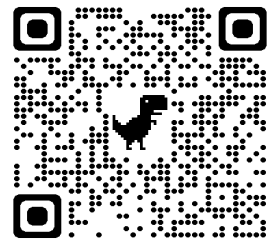


Contribution/Donation to the Parish

Parishioners who wish to contribute or donate to support the church should 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.

Deptford Carnival 30th July 11.00am—8.00pm

There will be live performance and entertainment at our local carnival. Location: Giffin Square, Giffin Street SE8 4RJ

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

August: Saturday 26th @ 2.00pm

September: Saturday 23rd @ 2.00pm

All baptism forms should be completed and returned two weeks before your chosen date. Forms can be downloaded from website page Baptism (www.ola-rdeptford.org.uk/Baptism)

Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion in Our Parishes, Schools and Communities

This seminar will take place at the **Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Southwark, from 9.30am to 4.00pm on Saturday 28 October 2023**. You are all welcomed to this archdiocesan initiative by the Commission for Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion chaired by Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the Southeast. On the day there will be contributions from a range of speakers, including the Most Reverend John Wilson, the Metropolitan Archbishop of Southwark. For more information and registration, please use this link or scan the QR Code above:

<https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/commission-for-promoting-racial-and-cultural-inclusion/what-we-do/>. Or write us: racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk.

Please join us for a stimulating and hope-filled day of discussion. **Registration is FREE.**

Autumn Assembly by Justice & Peace Commission

Saturday 23rd September 2023 entitled **The Right to Stay: Free to Choose** in response to the message of the Holy Father for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, at **St Edmund of Canterbury Catholic Church, 20 Village Way, Beckenham, Kent BR3 3NP**. Parish Mass 10am. Registration 10.30am. Programme starts 11am. Finishes 4pm. Free Entrance. Donations suggested. Lunch provided. All welcome. Keynote speaker: Rt. Rev. Paul McAleenan, Bishop for Migration & Refugees and Member of the Department for International Affairs at the Bishops Conference for England and Wales on 'Love the Stranger', What really happened at Napier Barracks? To reserve a place email justiceandpeace@rcaos.org.uk



and buys it.”

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure buried in a field; which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all he has

and buys it.” In both parables both men appreciate the true value of what they have discovered. Both men are certain about the wisdom of what they must do and are willing to put everything on the line to secure their newfound treasure.

Today Jesus is asking us to determine how much we treasure the Kingdom of Heaven. How valuable is Heaven to us and what are we prepared to do to secure it? Are we prepared to give all we've got and to renounce everything that gets in the way? If the two men in the parables had passed their treasure by or failed to recognise the treasure's value, we would have thought them insane, yet this is how we behave all the time.

All too often we are prepared to let the Kingdom of Heaven slip through our fingers. Perhaps we do this because we have never stopped to reflect on how valuable the Kingdom of Heaven is. Perhaps we have recognised the value of God's Kingdom to us but have forgotten it in the day-to-day distractions of putting meals on the table and paying the bills. Perhaps Heaven's rewards seem so distant that we prefer instead to work for more immediate and tangible rewards, home improvements, fame, social acceptance and career development. Perhaps we think we can work on God's agenda and our own agenda simultaneously, recognising the value of God's Kingdom but not quite able to renounce our own self-interest.

Today Jesus gives us some concrete advice. He tells us that those who study the scriptures and search diligently will find the discernment to recognise God's treasure and the wisdom to secure it.

Ask a Catholic Doctor Almost Anything

Date: Wednesday 9th August 2023 Time: 9-10pm

Couple to Couple League's My Parish NFP is offering a free online LIVE seminar for Clergy, Seminarians and Parish Staff where you can ask a Catholic doctor almost anything... about NFP, contraceptives, fertility and faith.

We are honoured to have Dr. Lester Ruppertsberger, Dr William Williams and Dr Lauren Rubal join us on our panel of Catholic doctors.

Our clergy webinar is held twice of year, free of charge, to provide clergy members with the latest medical and scientific information about NFP and Fertility.

Please submit your questions when you register so that the doctors can try to answer everyone's inquiries. You can register by using the link on the Bulletin Board to register for event on the parish website.

Bitesize

Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.