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27TH NOVEMBER 2016

Sunday 27th First Sunday of Advent Vigil 6.30pm People of the Parish 9.00am Bill & Sheila Hanrahan R.I.P. 11.00am Baheerathy Reshekaron's meet Intention Monday 28th No 10.00am Mass 11.30am Funeral Mariquinha De Sa R.I.P. Tuesday 29th 10.00am Vianney Ofelia Carvalho R.I.P.

4.30pm Reception of Meta O'Donnell R.I.P.Wednesday 30th St Andrew

No 10.00am Mass 11.30am Funeral Meta O'Donnell R.I.P.

Thursday 1st December 10.00am Antony Sylester R.I.P.

Friday 2nd Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am 10.00am Thanksgiving parish

Saturday 3rd Confessions 10.30 – 11am & 6.00 -6.15pm

Sunday 4th 2nd Sunday of Advent Vigil 6.30pm People of the Parish 9.00am Anthony Kayode-Alli R.I.P. Communion 11.00am Prof Dr Polycarp Ikeh R.I.P

PARISH ACTIVIES

<u>Sunday 27th:</u> Refreshments in the parish centre after the 11.00am Mass.

Monday 28th: Parent and Toddlers

in the parish centre at 9.00am.

RCIA Journey meet at 7.30am in the parish centre

<u>Tuesday 29th:</u> Tuesday Club in the parish centre at 10.30am.

Prayer and Adoration at 7.30pm in church.

<u>Wednesday 30th:</u> Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 9.30am.

Prayer Group meet at 7.30pm.

<u>Thursday 1st:</u> Junior Youth Club at 5.00pm in the parish centre.

Folk Group 7.00pm in the Church.

Legion of Mary 7.30pm in the

Office.

<u>Friday 2^{nd} </u> The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am in the church. Senior Youth Club meet at 7.00pm.

Saturday 3^{rd:} First Holy

children meet at 9.30am in church.

St. Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden. Tel. 020 8648 1846 Headteacher: Mr. Justin Dachtler Merton Catholic Deanery <u>www.mertoncatholics.org.uk</u> Community Development Manager – Rob Mobile 07429 454480 Thank you for the weekend collection £1131.52. Standing Orders £755.00. Total £1886.52. 2nd Collection – Catholic Youth Services - £328.66 Thank you.

Archbishop's Pastoral Letter – Copies available in the Narthex, please take a copy home.

Our International Evening raised £8,000 for our Hall Extension project. A big thank you to all who donated prizes, hampers, sold tickets, prepared food, organised, entertained and supported our International Evening this year. Thanks also to St Teresa's School. Headteacher and Governors for hosting the event. Special thanks to our 5 Star Organisers: Pat & Jo Kelly, Tom & Tracey Dunleavy, Maria & John Roman, Margaret Malone, Jo Casey, Paul Carter, Rob Mobile, Stuart Thomas, Adri & Teresa Wells. And our 5 Star Helpers: Dave & Toni Lunn, Godfred Frimpong, Joseph Machado, Theresa Goldband, Jim Joannou, Hilda Mobio, Joe Conme, Mary Cadd, Margaret O'Donovan, James Prathap, James & Primrose Guneratnam, Valentina Jenc. The Mayor of Merton, Cllr Sandra Fraser, attended and drew the 3 top prizes. Cllr Mary Curtain and Cllr Agatha Akygyina were also present. There is a list of winners in the Narthex.

Clergy Support Fund Campaign – Parish Update – Thank you to all parishioners who supported the appeal for our sick and retired clergy in Southwark Diocese. £19,614 has been raised through gifts and pledges from 19 parishioners. Thank you for an excellent result. The Parish Team will be speaking at all Masses this weekend and a short film will be shown after Mass in the church. If you wish to give a gift, Information Packs containing giving forms will be available in the Narthex. You can donate online through the Campaign homepage:

https://southwarkclergysupportfundcampaign.org/ Thank you once again.

RCIA – Celebrating the Rite of Welcome – We welcome our catechumens and candidates who are preparing to celebrate the sacraments of initiation at Easter 2017. This is their first official step on the journey: Richard McGrath, Rushane Adlam, Lisa Drummond, Natalie Christian-John, David Overland, Maria Earl, Dora Kassi and Mark Kisz.

Deceased – Please remember in your prayer: **Mariquinha De Sa** who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will be on Monday 28th November 11.30am followed by cremation. **Meta O'Donnell** – She will be received into St Teresa's Church on Tuesday 29th November 4.30pm. Her Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 30th November 11.30am followed by cremation. **Paul Felix** – His Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 7th December at 12.00noon.May they rest in peace.

Penitential Service for Advent & Christmas – On Monday 19th December 7.30pm. there will be visiting priests available for Confessions.

New Altar Servers – Dates on Saturday mornings are: 10th, 17th, December 2016 and 12th, 19th January 2017 all at 11.00am.

Confirmation – There will be a meeting for Confirmation catechists only on Saturday 10^{th} December at 10.00am in the parish centre.

London SW Catholic Young Adults – Our next social evening is on Saturday 3rd December from 7.30pm at The Plough, Clapham SW11 1SY. Contact Miles on 07790 441242.

Prayer for the Sick – Freddie Mensah, Stephan Quilty, Eva Christian, Idan Vijay, Baheerathy Reshekaron, Catherine Williams, John Payne, Ann Van Essen, Valerie Keogh, Jim Creighan, Winifred Rogers and Lira Fernandes.