

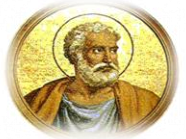


# St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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## PARISH TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr Michael Branch  
**Assistant Priests:** Fr Graziano de Palma  
 Fr Anthony Uche OP  
**Retired Priest:** Fr James Hay  
**Deacon:** Rev Piotr Ziezio

## PARISH SCHOOL

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## MARCH IS THE MONTH OF DEVOTION TO ST JOSEPH

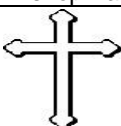
*Week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018*

		LENTEN REFLECTION
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> 6:00pm	Mass – Peter Burke RIP	<p>On Thursday morning at 5.30am, a man who had taken leave of his senses due to an over indulgence of alcohol, was found in the front garden of the presbytery breaking the glass of the Marian Shrine and smashing the statue of Our Lady. He went on to do further damage by throwing debris at the West End window of the Church above the front entrance and to one of the windows of Pugin Place (formerly the Parish Centre). It is so easy to want to speak ill of perpetrators rather than to forgive and show mercy. Lent calls us to reflect deeply on our thoughts, words and actions. It's not an easy thing to do, especially when we have made a mess of our lives and of others. Lent gives us the supernatural opportunity, to help us get the bigger picture on the good and bad judgements we make every day. The sins we commit, either by omission or deliberate, cause damage and havoc, but they don't have to have the last say. Through the gift of Lent, we are reminded of our loving God giving us a fresh start: yes, first we must quantify the damage we have perpetrated, for God to secondly, do the repair. As Jesus reminds us, "Be merciful as your heavenly Father is merciful to you."</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>During the season of Lent there will be an extra Mass and Confessions every Wednesday evening as follows:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sacrament of Confession – 6:00pm-6:30pm</b>  <b>Mass – 7:00pm</b>  <b>Stations of the Cross every Wednesday and Friday at 6:30pm</b></p>
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 5:00 pm–5:45pm 5:00pm–6:00pm 6:00pm	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)</b> Mass – Pamela Daly RIP Mass – Thanksgiving for Fr Michael Branch (Birthday) Mass – People of the Parish <b>SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Welfare and Thanksgiving for the Redgrave Family	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 10:15am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Feria</b> Mass – Fr Augustin O'Leary RIP <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Freda Maria Curtis RIP (Anniversary) <b>Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) in the Parish Centre</b>	
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 10:15am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 4:00pm 7:00pm	<b>Feria</b> Mass – For All Homeless Migrants <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Thanksgiving for Maria Akinola <b>Reception of the Mortal Remains of Kitty Edwards RIP</b> <b>Bible Study Group</b>	
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00am 10:15am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 6:00pm – 6:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Feria</b> <b>Requiem Mass – Kitty Edwards RIP</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Thanksgiving for Luke Joseph Gentleman (Birthday) <b>SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> Mass – Intentions of the Celebrant	
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 10:15am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 5:00pm – 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:30pm – 8:30pm	<b>Feria</b> Mass – Mary Okwanyzor RIP <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Patrick Lee and Family <b>PARISH SURGERY IN THE PARISH CENTRE</b> <b>Prayer Group – Association of The Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary</b> <b>AA Meeting in the Parish Centre</b>	
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 10:15am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	<b>Feria</b> Mass – Michael Lalsingh RIP <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Vera Stewart RIP <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> <b>Friends in the Holy Spirit</b> (Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group) <b>Legion of Mary</b>	
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup></b> 11:00am–12 noon 11:00am–12:30pm 12:00 noon 12:30pm 5:15pm–5:45pm 6:00pm	<b>Feria</b> <b>Sacrament of Confession</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Mass – Welfare of Edna Chinnock <b>SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> Mass – Deceased Members of Teje and Iredje Family	
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 5:00 pm–5:45pm 5:00pm–6:00pm 6:00pm	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B)</b> Mass – People of the Parish Mass – Ghanaian Independence Day Mass – Ujunwa-Uju, Leo Okejeme RIP <b>SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Mass – Peace, Healing and Conversion	

**Sick and housebound**



Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family. We pray especially for the following: Lily Beavis, Annie D'Sa, Emmanuel Meshe, Margaret Jeffrey, Joe D'Souza, Francis Ayodele, Barry Newton, Catherine Garraway, Patrick Duffy, Adriene Kelleher, Dave Hawkins, John Branch, Sheila Edwards, Sheila Lee, Nina Donovan, Joe and Theresa Devoy, Frater Jeneita, Marie-Anne Collins, Kate Dooley, Joseph Tommy Le, Jo O'Connell, Merlie Perera, Maureen Brazier, David Orell, Francis Matajo, Tomisin Iddrisu, Tomosina Gloria Watkins, Eli Ladislaus Otto Cox, Jayne Shoboiki, Helen Dickens, Noone Dunlevy, Margaret Dickens, Miroslav Krejcar, Sandy Bamotra, Jacqueline Demar Richards, Michael and Shirley Corcoran, Antoine Libanje, Georgina Ferrier, Joyce James, Dinky Gennon, Evelyn Martin, Cesil Ryan, Cynthia Boltiador, Cecilia Egbujin, Hugh Rozario, Mary Healey, Eileen Whyte, Collen Surin, Caitlin Connors, Lizzy Connors, Christopher Browne, Mary Angela McInerney, Theodora St Bernard, Dudley Simmonds, Patricio Fernandes, Ray Bat, Genny Cleary, Sister Annunciata, Sick Priests of the Diocese and please continue to keep Bishop Pat Lynch in your prayers.



**OBITUARY**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Father Eric Nimmo** who died on Tuesday 20th February 2018  
Funeral details to follow

We also pray for the repose of the souls of Gladys McCabe and Ronald Arthur Whitehead who died recently.

**Gladys "Riley" McCabe who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Friday 23rd March at 12:30pm followed by committal at 2:00pm in Plumstead Cemetery.**

**Ronald Arthur Whitehead who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 29th March at 10:00am followed by committal at 11:30am in Eltham Crematorium.**

We offer our prayers and spiritual support to their families and friends.

**ANIVERSARIES**

This week once again marks the anniversaries of former parishioners and members of our family. We commend to God's Mercy the following – Kaseba Chirpwayambokoma, Bridie Lee, Tony Dempster, Maureen O'Reilly, Roland Matias, Anne Thorpe, Anne Moynihan, Mary McInerney, Michael Vaughan, Elizabeth Lucibello, Jack Whyte, Frank Donovan, Frank O'Hare, Bob Remmer, Mary Kavanagh, Mary Ison, Mary Gray, Catherine Spencer, Frances Maud Clark, Elizabeth O'Connor, Adam Duff, Daniel Gallagher, Marjorie Farthing, Julia Sullery, Patrick Howard, Don Virgo, Jim Collins, Carmelina DaCosta, Joseph Lloyd, Eileen McManus, Nora Spencer, Agnes Ivers, Anna Raso and Roy Giddings

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE!**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Parents wishing to have their baby baptised in **APRIL 2018** should attend the following Baptism Catechesis Programmes

**Session 1 is on Tuesday 13th March 2018**  
**Session 2 is on Tuesday 27th March 2018**

These programmes will start at 7pm and finish at 9pm and will be held in the Parish Centre. You are reminded that you need to meet with one of the parish clergy before attending these Sessions. You will find them available on Thursday evenings during Parish Surgery.

**Holy Baptism will be on Sunday 15th April and 29th April 2018 at 1:15pm after the 11:45am Mass.**

Learning from past experience, we request **ALL PARENTS**, who wish to get their child baptised in the future, to bring their own baptism certificates along with their request form as proof that they are Catholics when they attend Parish Surgery. **GODPARENTS** will need to get a letter from their parish priest to say they are practicing Catholics.

**Nigerian Community**

The Nigerian Community will be meeting this Sunday 4th March after the 11:45am Mass in the Parish Centre. All Nigerians are welcome.

**Ghana - Independence Celebration**

The Ghanaian Community will be celebrating their Independence Day next Sunday 11th March during 10:00am Mass. All Ghanaians are welcome to join in the celebration.

**LET'S ALL BE PREPARED TO WELCOME OUR VISITORS**

You may have already seen the "Pugin Place" sign on the building we used to call the "Parish Centre". This new name declares our link with two generations of the famous Victorian architects. It also removes any suggestion that this is a building exclusively for parish use - in fact, others have been enjoying its facilities for many years. But this change of name is just the first of several changes designed to make more obvious our Christian welcome to everyone.

From Wednesday we will have a notice on the church railings encouraging visitors to come in and discover more about our heritage or parish life. Heritage visitors will be asked not to come beyond the foyer during Masses, and to be respectful during other devotions.

Also from Wednesday, the Church will stay open every afternoon till at least 4.30pm. We encourage you to take advantage of this extended opportunity to spend time in our church, and also to give any visitors a positive welcome, taking pride in our stewardship of the parish heritage.

On a stand in the foyer, there are cards showing a plan of our church and points of interest around it. Those using the cards are asked to make a donation for further refurbishment of our buildings. On Wednesday, panels giving additional information about the Lady Chapel and the steeple stairs will be placed on the wall near both these points of special interest.

On Tuesday, our website will adopt a more attractive and user friendly format, with more material continually being added. We are also beginning to use Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, though Fr Michael would still welcome some advice from more experienced users of social media.

After Easter, the display boards outside the shop will highlight points of interest around the church and show a series of heritage exhibitions.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester will make a short visit in mid-April to view our Pugin architecture and the church refurbishment. With your support, we hope to present our buildings and grounds at their best, so that he and all our other visitors will feel the warmth of our welcome.

**International Women's Day**

Announcing the celebration of International Women's Day in conjunction with Barclays Bank.

We will be celebrating International Women's Day after the 12:30pm Mass on 8th of March in the Church.

We have talks and some light refreshments after the talk in the Parish Centre. Come one, come all.

**Our Parish Lenten Project is to support the Sick & Retired Priests of our Diocese**

There is a Donation box for the Sick and Retired Priests in front of the Altar. Thank you

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**THE LIVING ROSARY**

Today is the First Sunday of the month. We will change the Mysteries of the Living Rosary in the Church at 5:00pm. All members of "The Rose of Our Lady of Fatima" as well as parishioners are very welcome.

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2018 March:** Formation in Spiritual Discernment That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels. Deacon Peter

**AA MEETING**

For anyone with a desire to stop using alcohol/drugs, men and women for whom the problem has been solved now meet in strict privacy every **Thursday** evening from **7:30pm to 8:30pm in the Parish Centre.**

**Last Week's Collection was £1,610.81**

**Gift Aid of £567.87**

**giving us a parish total of £2,178.68**

**2nd Collection: CAFOD (Lent) - £469.18**

**MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HOME**