

# St. Thomas the Apostle

A member of the Churches Together in Nunhead and Hatcham



# NEWSLETTER

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**MASS TIMES:** (Vigil Saturday 6.30pm) - Sundays - 9.00am, 10.30am, 6.30pm  
Weekdays - 9.30am Every Sunday - 1.30pm: Mass in Spanish

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Sunday 6 March 2011

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Confessions: Saturdays 10.00am to 11.00am

Mass Intentions – 6 March – 13 March 2011

Sat	05	6.30pm	Paddy Curtin RIP, Bartley Dean Ann RIP
Sun	06	9.00am	Jim Stack RIP
		10.30am	Ghanaian Independence Day
		1.30pm	Misa en Espanol
		6.30pm	Kathleen McGeown RIP
Mon	07	9.30am	Julie O'Connor RIP
Tue	08	9.30am	Bert Mullooly RIP
Wed	09	9.30am	Thos Boilson Int
Thurs	10	9.30am	Joe Sullivan RIP
Fri	11	9.00am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Sat	12	6.30pm	Seamus O'Connell Get Well Int
Sun	13	9.00am	Thomas O'Shea RIP
		10.30am	Mrs. Flynn RIP
		1.30pm	Misa en Espanol
		6.30pm	Kathy Moran 95th Birthday

**"Breaking Open God's Word"**

Bible meditation every Monday evening at 7.45pm in the Church, all are welcome.

**Welcome**

I am delighted to welcome Fr. Chris to the Parish this weekend. Many thanks for all your help and also the representative of 'Survive Miva' who is making an appeal to support the good and important work.

**RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Journey of Faith**

Nine people (Catechumens) will continue their journey of faith in the Faith Programme this Wednesday in preparation to be received into full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday Night.

**Confirmation**

Just to let all our Confirmation candidates and their families know that due to the very large number of young people for Confirmation this year, we will probably have to divide the group in two and ask Bishop Pat to have two celebrations. Bishop Pat is happy to have two celebrations on at the 10:30am Mass and the other at 3.00 in the afternoon. We will try to give everyone their preference but please note that if everyone wants 3.00pm it defeats the purpose.

**Mission Appeal**

This weekend we are delighted to welcome a speaker from the charity 'Survive Miva', who help with transport in developing world missions. I hope in these difficult times you will be able to support this appeal.

**Lenten Retreat:**

If you are interested in following a Lenten Retreat during Lent can you please sign up on the sheet in the hallway to the Church. Fr. Chris is willing to come to the Parish on Wednesday 16, 22, 30 March and 6 April, to lead us in a time of reflection, prayer with scripture. Although we are not too pushed about the numbers game, it would be just helpful to know in advance how many people may come along. Even if you haven't signed up please feel free to join us all are welcome for all or any part of the retreat.

**Passover Meal**

Provisionally booked to take place at St. Catherine's this year during Holy Week. Time and date to be confirmed.

**Good Friday Walk of Witness – 22 April**

Starting at 10.00am from St. Catherine's to Nunhead Green.

**World Book Day**

I have been selected to give out free copies of the book "the Life of Pi" on 5 March. If you are interested in this book you can get your free copy, you can collect it after Mass while stocks last.

**CAFOD Lent Fast Day on 18 March 2011**

Boxes available in Church hallway.

**Gift Aid Boxes**

Many thanks to all of our Parishioners who use the Gift Aid Boxes as a means of making your contribution to upkeep of the Parish. It really makes a huge difference to the Parish funds when the Gift Aid cheque comes in. The boxes of Envelopes for the financial year beginning in May will be issued on the weekend of 26 and 27 February and for the following two weekends. Please do try to pick up your box over these weekends. Many thanks for your generosity.

**Lent Groups (5 week course)**

Starting Tuesday 15 March 10.15am - St. Thomas the Apostle and 7.30pm - the Vicarage of St. Catherine's, Pepys Road.

**Unwanted Christmas Present Sale**

Drop them off at the Presbytery or to Angela in the Holy Shop.

**Nigerian Catholic Prayer Meeting**

Taking place in the Sacristy at 8.00pm on the following dates: Friday 11 and 25 February and Friday 11 and 25 March.

**Please Pray For**

Please remember to pray for those people who have been bereaved and all who have died recently, including: baby Chase Griffin, Benjamin Dunn, Dennis Palmer, Maria Middleton, Thomas O'Keefe and Ifechuku Emanuel Okoli, Mary Gillet, Kay Cronin, Nestor Ofomalu Onyali, Samuel Duodu Amoah (Bobra), Frank Deegan, Ben Ikejiaku, Margaret Cronin, Bridie Connolly, Sonny Fernandez, Michael Onyali, Margaret Gunn, Jimmy Boyle, Rita Palmer, Andrea Saide RIP, Roger Hill, Pauline Coleman & Josephine Edwards.

**Sick**

Please remember to pray for all who are sick in our Parish, including: Maria Herriart, Teresa Cox, Peggie O'Sullivan, George and Cheryl Gabbett, Adama Sheriff, Miss Cox, Antonio Neto, John Cox, Wilma Power, Agatha St. Clair, Mrs Angela Roberts, Betty MacLean, George Kirby, Alma Fernandes, Margaret and Tom Wyse, Mary Rellis, Caroline Knight, Carline Onyekwere, Sarah Kayaga.

**Anniversaries**

Daniel O'Brien, Ellen Golden, Jessie Holmes, Mary Ellen McDonagh, Patrick MaKay, Arnold Charles, Abayomi Obafunwa, Stanlely Lebon, James McManus, Marie Athaide, Rita Miller, Sarah Doyle, Jessica Carter, Bartley Dean.

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