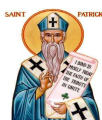


# WELCOME TO



## Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

Parish Priest: Father Fortunatus Banzi, SDS

Assistant Parish Priest – Fr Floribert Mulikita SDS

Deacons: Rev. Oluwale Alayo & Rev. Anthony Wentworth

The Priests House & Chapel, 1a Conway Road, Plumstead, SE18 1AQ

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[www.stpatricksholycross.org.uk](http://www.stpatricksholycross.org.uk)

St Patrick's Primary School, Griffin Road, Plumstead, SE18 7QG

Head Teacher: Miss Mary Murphy

Tel: 0208 854 3881 [www.stpatricksprimary.org.uk](http://www.stpatricksprimary.org.uk)

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**Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm**

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY**

**YEAR C**

**Ps1**

**27<sup>th</sup> July, 2025**

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*“Ask, and it will be given to you ...For everyone who asks receives” Luke 11:6-7*

Last week, Gaza's only catholic church was hit during military operations, killing 3 and injuring 10 others, including the parish priest, Fr Gabriel Romanelli. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us to pray, calling God our Father. With confidence in our Father, let us pray through His Son, for peace in Gaza and in all areas of conflict throughout the world:

*Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are Yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, “Peace to you” – please grant us peace. Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples on the earth become as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all. Amen. Pope St. John Paul II*

### CONFESSIONS



**Holy Cross:** Saturday before 5.30pm Mass

**St Patrick:** Saturday after 10.00 Mass

### EXPOSITION of the Blessed Sacrament

**Holy Cross** – Thursday at 9.30

**St Patrick** – Thursday at 8.15

 <b>Holy Cross</b>	<b>Mass intentions</b>	 <b>St. Patrick</b> <small>Weekday Mass in Chapel 1a Conway Road</small>
17.30 Anthony & Mona Pinto RIP	Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup> July <b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY</b>	Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 Antonia Pacheco RIP 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary
8.45 Martin Conneally & family	Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup> July <b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY</b>	10.15 Josephine Nwoko 80 <sup>th</sup> birthday 18.00 Eric Horne RIP
10.00 Private intention	Mon. 28 <sup>th</sup> July <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Chac Thi Nguyen RIP
<b>NO MASS</b>	Tues. 29 <sup>th</sup> July Ss Mary, Martha and Lazarus	<b>NO MASS</b>
10.00 Private intention	Wed. 30 <sup>th</sup> July <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 William James McDonald RIP
10.00 Private intention	Thur. 31 <sup>st</sup> July St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	9.00 Josie Horne RIP
10.00 Private intention	Fri. 1 <sup>st</sup> August St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church	9.00 Carmel Gurl RIP
17.30 Nellie & Cornelius Dee RIP	Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> August <b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY</b>	The Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 Thanksgiving & intentions of Adam & Rosheen & Siddals
8.45 People of the Parish	Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> August <b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY</b>	10.15 Damaciano D'Souza RIP 18.00 John Connolly RIP

## Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July: For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.


### New DBS and DBS rechecks for VOLUNTEERS

Please arrange to renew with Fr Fortunatus or Fr Floribert

Anyone wishing to volunteer in organizing any parish event or activity is kindly reminded to first consult with the Parish Priests before making any arrangements.

**PLEASE DO NOT HAND OUT LEAFLETS OR DISPLAY POSTERS or NOTICES IN CHURCH WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM FR FORTUNATUS**

Offertory 20<sup>th</sup> July £1,008.10 Thank you

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for the People of the Parish at Holy Cross and Paul Mendes birthday thanksgiving at St Patrick. 

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** *St Patrick* children under 10 years  
27<sup>th</sup> July – PARISH YOUTH MASS  
1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August –  
**SUMMER BREAK: no children's liturgy**

**RCIA – Summer break July and August.**  
*Sessions will start again from September.*

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Marriage Care* is a Catholic organisation, helping couples to sustain a healthy marriage and supporting relationships in difficulty. They are looking for volunteers, especially Marriage Preparation Course facilitators – training provided. Please check the 'Get Involved' section at:

[marriagecare.org.uk](http://marriagecare.org.uk)

### LONDON CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP

**Do you enjoy making new friends?**

for Catholic adults over 35 to meet for social and networking events, including walks, meals, outings etc.

Facebook: 'London Catholic Social Group'

Email: [londonswcatholicscial@gmail.com](mailto:londonswcatholicscial@gmail.com)

Brandan Baker on WhatsApp 07425549408



**WANTED – USED GREETING CARDS** all occasions, birthday, Christmas, congratulations, thank you etc

**Recycle your old greeting cards for charity – please leave them in the box at the back of church.**

**Remember to cut personal messages off first** 😊

Offertory contributions can be made in loose cash, by cheque payable to 'RCAS PLUMSTEAD', by card using the contactless machine at the back of church, or by standing order/one-off online payment to:

### NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

Account Number: 79136796 Sort Code: 60-50-01

Account Name: RCAS – PLUMSTEAD

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIFT AID YOUR OFFERINGS IF YOU ARE A TAX-PAYER** – this helps us to claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated

**THANK YOU**  
for your continued and generous support of our parish

### READERS *St Patrick*

27<sup>th</sup> July: 10.15 Youth Mass 18.00 L Keys (for B. Davern)

3<sup>rd</sup> August: 10.15 T Unigwe/F Okeke 18.00 N Brown

### *Holy Cross*

26<sup>th</sup> July: 17.30 Brian 27<sup>th</sup> July: 8.45 Sheila

2<sup>nd</sup> Aug: 17.30 Mike 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug: 8.45 Jason

### Dates for your diary

25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July – 'WeBelieve' Festival, Oscott

6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August 'Summertime 2025' for alter servers and youth 11-15 years £189. Please see poster at the back of church and ask Father for a form (in the sacristy)

**Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> August 10.30 to 4pm Divine Mercy Retreat**

Aylesford Priory: Contact Millie 07957594646

**23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September – Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**  
*spaces still available – see details at back of church*

*Greenwich Foodbank* **tinned and packet foods, toiletries, nappies**, can be left at the back of church and are gratefully appreciated **NO FRESH FOOD PLEASE** Thank you  
**PLEASE NOTE: for reasons of hygiene and health & safety, the Foodbank cannot accept bulk packets that have been opened and split.**



### VACANCY SPUC EDUCATION OFFICER (England)

#### Join the Pro-Life Mission

SPUC is recruiting a full-time Education Officer, based in London with travel across England, to bring the Pro-Life message to schools and communities. To apply or find out more: [spuc.org.uk/joinourteam](http://spuc.org.uk/joinourteam)

**Please pray for those who are unwell:** Yolanda Perera, Norma Barrett, Bridie Maguire, Loretta, Sophie & Pablo Picola, Hana Gjelaj, Bob Kapp, Philomena Flaherty, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Aurora Miranda, Charles, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Louise Perera, Pat Cullen, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, John Colacco, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Maureen Cunney, Eddie White, **for those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time** Patricia Nolan, Walter Scott, Christopher Farrell, David Dee, Mary McNamara, Marcella Griffin, Lily Mulligan, Mary Gatland, Bridget Brush, Nelly Dee, Mary Butler, Bernadette Charles, Antonette (Antonia) Pacheco

**Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with prior permission of Fr Fortunatus, should be sent to the Parish Office by **Wednesday at 12 noon** (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this.**  
**Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.**