**Today is The Sunday of The Word of God.**

Every 3rd Sunday of Ordinary time has been designated as a special Sunday to emphasis the importance of the scriptures both in our Sunday mass and in our personal lives as Catholics. In the recent past Catholics were hesitant to engage with the reading of the bible and yet from the beginnings of the Church The Word of God was fundamental to living faith.

Perhaps we might be reluctant to look at the bible and today we are encouraged to read it and see how God speaks to his people at different times. When we read the bible we could ask what is God saying to me?

A good place to begin is to re-read the readings from our Sunday Mass and allow them to speak to us it might be a particular word or phrase that strikes us. Stay with that word and mull it over

Allowing it to speak to us at a deeper level.

This needs only a few minutes each day and when we do it we will discover something new.

**For more suggestions have a look at**

**www. godwhospeaks.uk**

**On this website we are invited to deepen our understanding of the bible in a short course Echoes of God: Journeying with the Word of God. This is led by David McLoughlin a scripture scholar.**

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**Rediscover Marriage with  Retrouvaille**

'Retrouvaille' simply means 'rediscovery'. The programme offers the chance for couples to rediscover themselves, and a loving relationship. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided.

There is no group therapy or group work.  
For confidential information about ‘Retrouvaille’ or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 25 – 28 February 2021  
Tel / text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443  
Email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com)  or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](https://rcsouthwark.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a40ab1a35eac7236d856fe882&id=341399a42c&e=8fe4f096be)

**MASS TIMES**

Currently under the current restrictions, our public masses are permitted to continue.

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**PARISH OFFICE**

During the new lockdown period, please contact the Parish Office via email or please use the Priest House mailbox.

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**STEWARDS**

Thank you to our stewards who continue to keep our Church safe and clean. If you are able to offer some assistance, please email the Parish Office ([putney@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:putney@rcaos.org.uk)).

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**EXITING THE CHURCH**

It is important that we do not gather outside the church in mixed groups and are extra vigilant about social distancing especially when leaving the church, please allow those at the back to leave first and take time to avoid crowding.

**Please help to keep our Church Safe.**

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**FACE COVERINGS** are required unless exempt.

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**SUPPORTING ST SIMONS**

Just Giving page:-

[**www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stsimonputney**](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stsimonputney)

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**All Saints Mass, 6.00 p.m on Saturdays.**

Canon Michael has reluctantly decided that for the next few weeks the 6.00p.m mass will remain suspended.

This is due to various considerations and the noticeable drop in attendance at weekend masses. The situation will be reviewed towards the end of February. Thank you for your understanding and hopefully normal service will be resumed when things improve.

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**24th January 2021**

**Third Sunday**

*First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10*

*Responsorial Psalm: 24:4-9*

*Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31*

*Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20*

**OUR LADY OF PITY AND   
ST SIMON STOCK CHURCH**

**NEWSLETTER**

[**putney@rcaos.org.uk**](mailto:putney@rcaos.org.uk)**; stsimonputney.uk**

**MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS**

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| ***Sunday 24th January***  ***Third Sunday*** | **9.30am**  **11.15am**  **6pm** | **Tom Davis RIP**  **Helena & Thomas Giblin RIP**  **Ints. Jen Downey** |
| ***Monday 25th January***  ***The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle*** | **10am** | **Christine Gallagher RIP** |
| ***Tuesday 26th January***  ***St Timothy and Titus*** | **10am** | **Gerry Hardy RIP** |
| ***Wednesday 27th Jan***  ***Feria*** | **8.00am** | **Tonio Prieto Ruiz RIP** |
| ***Thursday 28th January***  ***St Thomas Aquinas*** | **No Mass** | **No Mass** |
| ***Friday 29th January***  ***Feria*** | **10am** | **Ints. Gabriella McCloud** |
| ***Saturday 30th January***  ***Feria*** | **10am** | **Int. Kathleen O’Loughlin** |

***No 6.00 p.m Saturday Mass at All Saints, Putney Common until end of February***

**YOUTUBE LIVESTREAM**

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.



**Please subscribe to us!**

**ST SIMONS, PUTNEY**

; friendsof theholyland.org.uk/christmas

**24th January 2021**

**OUR LADY OF PITY AND ST SIMON NEWSLETTER**

**PLEASE SCAN THE BARCODE IN THE PORCH OR SIGN IN WITH THE STEWARD**

**Weekly Offerings**

Weekly offering for 17th January

£383.75

Thank you for your generosity.

**SUPPORTING ST SIMON’S:**

If you are attending our Sunday services, there will be an opportunity to provide your Offerings as you exit the Church. If you would like to make an offering via bank transfer, the Parish account details are: **NatWest, Sort Code 60-17-11, Account 20404131.** Please give your surname then initial as a reference. If you have not previously signed a gift aid declaration, please print from our webpage under the ‘gift aid’ tab and email a completed copy to.

**SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE RECORD**

Please note that our Sunday obligation has been lifted and we are only to come to mass if we feel comfortable and safe. If you prefer to come to Mass during the week, please feel free to do so. The census pink slips have been suspended until further notice.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**Parish Administrator: Louise Brown**

**(Parish Office times: Mon-Wed 9.30am-3pm)**

**Child Protection: Moira Bennett 07764939631**

**Our Lady of Victories School: 020 8788 7957**

**Convent: Franciscan Missionaries of Mary: 0208 7881828**

**Marriage Preparation Days: -**

**Philip & Mary Pond 0208 651 4653**

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**BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment with Canon Michael. Baptisms will be celebrated for only one baby until further notice. Only six people, including the infant may be present at the Baptism.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILATION**

Available on request after 10am Mass on Saturday morning or by request confession may be heard in the Parish Office.