OUR LADY OF PITY AND ST SIMON STOCK CHURCH

ALPHA

Our sister parish of St Elizabeth of Portugal will be hosting another Alpha course from Tuesday 11 January for 11 weeks between 7-9 p.m. each Tuesday. Several parishioners at St. Simon's have already attended this course and have reported back to Canon Michael on the very beneficial effects it has had on their faith. It is hoped that the parish will, in the not-too-distant future, start running Alpha at St. Simon's. You are so welcome to join St Elizabeth for the first session with any guests you might wish to bring along! They already have a good group of new sign-ups, so it is going to be a lively and friendly course again this year. If you are coming with someone, please do share the sign-up link with them to fill out:

https://stelizabethofportugal.churchsuite.co .uk/events/33wdn225

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE

YOUR MARRIAGE: TIME FOR A SERVICE? In the same way your car needs servicing to continue to run efficiently, so your marriage too will benefit from a 'service'. That's what Building A Better Marriage' is, a half-day online course (Marriage and family - life run by the diocese) taking place from 9am till 1pm on February 5. It is designed for couples married years or decades with average-to-good marriages.

Booking is essential. More details: 07983 524 727

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Community Lunch at St Margaret's Church, Putney Park Lane SW15 5HU every Thursday 12.30pm until 2pm. Come and join us, a chance to meet new people and enjoy some homemade soup, sandwiches and freshly baked cakes and its absolutely free! If you would like to volunteer to help at the lunch please contact Helen at St Margaret's on 020 8789 5932 <u>office@stmargretsputney.org</u> or for any further information.

23rd January 2022 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 18:8-10,15 response John 6:63 Second Reading: Corinthians 12:12-30 Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Parish Mass book page: 129

Covid and health precautions.

During masses we will continue to keep the church doors open during mass to provide ventilation. We advise the wearing of face coverings and ask that if you have cold or flu symptoms that you stay at home until you are fully recovered. Please be aware personal space when engaging with one another.

THE ULTIMATE RELATIONSHIP

At the back of the church you can find copies of The Ultimate Relationship, a booklet intended to help enquirers find answers to some of the fundamental questions of life. Even if you are secure in your own Catholic faith, please consider taking a copy to give to a friend or family member who might be interested or benefit from one.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The pandemic has made a difficult situation much worse for Christians living in the land of Jesus' birth – the shutdown of tourism since 2020 has devastated most people's livelihoods and plunged them into debt. As you may know friends of the Holy Land is an ecumenical charity supporting the vulnerable Christian community in the west bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan. We have two Catholic and Anglican leaders as our Patrons – Cardinal Vincent Nichols, the Archbishop of Westminster, and Justin Welby, the Archbishiop of Canterbury – leading Christians in the UK to help our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We are helping with grants towards emergency food, bills, education and – our special focus this Christmas – medical needs

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENOROSITY: £687.99

www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/christmas

Can you help? Readers needed

We need more readers, for all Sunday masses: 09:30am, 11:15am & 6pm. If you would like to help please email the parish office and training will be arranged. <u>putney@rcaos.org.uk</u>

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS		
23 rd January 2022	9.30am	Maria and Paul Int
Third Sunday in	11.15am	Maureen Marley Int
Ordinary Time	6pm	People of the Parish
Monday 24 th January	10am	Isobel Duprat RIP
Saint Francis de Sales		
Tuesday 25 th January	10am	Lech Piotrowski RIP
The conversion of Saint		
Paul the Apostle		
Wed 26 th January	10am	Joseph James RIP
Saint Timothy and Titus		
Thursday 27 th January	-	No Mass
Feria		
Friday 28 th January	10am	Mark Winckley &
Saint Thomas Aquinas		Family Int
Saturday 29 th January	10am	Slawek Gawlik and
Feria		Family Int
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILATION		

Available after 10am Mass on Saturday morning by request

MONDAY UNDER 5s.

Parents who have children under 5 meet in the Parish Hall and garden on Mondays 9:30a.m. -11:00a.m. for coffee and play! All are welcome.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment with Canon Michael. Baptism will be celebrated only for one baby until further notice.

MARRIAGE: If you are planning to get married here or abroad at least 6 months' notice is required so as the adequate preparations can be made. Contact the Parish Office for more information

CONTACT INFORMATION

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YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.



Please subscribe to us!

ST SIMONS, PUTNEY

<u>SUNDAY MASS</u> 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.

SUPPORTING ST SIMON'S:

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.

Just Giving page: -<u>www.justgiving.com/fundraisin</u> g/stsimonputnev

Weekly Offerings

Weekly Offering for:-

16th Jan: **£765.30**

Your generosity is much appreciated.