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

# TIMES OF CHRISTMAS MASSES

# Christmas Eve - Saturday 24th December:

**5pm** - Family Mass with carols

7pm – Mass with carols (Livestreamed)

**9pm** – Mass preceded by carols at 8:45pm

Christmas Day – Sunday 25th December:

09:30am and 11:15am with carols (No 6pm mass)

#### ..... CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This is traditionally the collection for the upkeep of parish priests and forms the main part of their income. We ask you to take the envelope for this purpose and return it in the collection over the Christmas period. If you are unable to give in the collection. Please give through our website /stsimonputney.org.uk Just Giving page or Dona button or QR Code or an envelope through Priest House letterbox.. Many thanks for your support and generosity.

#### **OFERINGS AT THE CRIB**

Will go to Friends of the Holy Land have been giving hope and providing practical help to the most vulnerable Christians in and around Bethlehem for over 10 years. Their work is dependent on crib offerings. Many are desperate at this time of post Covid 19.

Please give generously when you visit the crib. www.friendsoftheholyland.org

#### ..... **CHRISTINE DOYLE RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine who died on Tuesday after a long battle with illness.

Christine was a regular attender at Sat evening mass at All Saints and helped to get the church ready and was a dedicated member of St Simon's we extend our prayers to her family at this time her Requiem Mass will be on 06<sup>th</sup> January at 11:00am

#### FAMILY MASS.

We are trying to re-establish a monthly family mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month. We want children to feel welcome and involved, junior children are welcome to read and if you would like your child to be involved please e-mail the Parish Office.. Children and their families are encouraged to sit near the front of the church so as they can see the altar. Children are welcome to wear a character costume of the Nativity at 5:00p.m.

# 18<sup>th</sup> December 2022 Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year A)

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-6 response v 7, 10 Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

# Parish Mass book page: 90

**CONTACTLESS GIVING.** We now have 2 contactless giving devices in church called Dona. These are provided for those who prefer to use card to make their offerings. Simply follow the instructions on the pad. We also now have a **Dona giving button** on our website, and QR code on reverse of the newsletter so you can give from where ever you are. Thank you for your contactless giving it has made a difference.

#### ..... **PARISH OFFICE**

The Parish office is closed over the Christmas period and re-opens on Wednesday 04th January.

Opening times : Monday, Wednesday & Friday 09:30am - 3pm. If you have any enquiries over the summer period, please send via email to putney@rcaos.org.uk.

# ..... DAILY ADVENT REFLECTIONS FROM DIOCESAN SPIRITUALITY COMMISSION.

Advent can be such a busy demanding time, but we encourage you to make some space to reflect and pray this advent. Sign up for our free Southwark Diocesan 'All you have to do is sign up and then set aside a couple of minutes each day to reflect! Sign up via the Commission web site: http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/ clicking on the Advent Reflection box.

..... **CAFOD**. In Ukraine, winter is very harsh and conditions are worsening because of Russian strikes to key infrastructure like power plants and water treatment centers from the first days of the conflict CAFOD has responded quickly through the Caritas network and our other church partners, Depaul and Jesuit Refugee Services. We are responding in Ukraine but also in neighbouring countries where people have fled, such as Romania. We are providing life-saving services to the newly displaced and the most vulnerable in the war-affected population in east and south Ukraine. Please Support cafod org.uk

..... WELCOME TO FR OLADELE EDE CRAIG known as Fr Ola who is a priest of Southwark diocese and is studying for a doctorate in Rome in Canon Law. He is with us until February and will be looking after the Parish while Fr. Michael is away. Welcome to St Simon's Fr Ola!

MISSIO BOXES Please could you return your red boxes to the sacristy on Sunday/Parish Office. Before Christmas

..... TODAY: 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION for Christmas flowers and decorations for the church.

..... **BAPTISM** We welcome into the family of the church Francis Sandeman who was baptised yesterday. May God bless them and their family.

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS		
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	9.30am	Hayes Family Int
Fourth Sunday of	11.15am	Paolo Sidoli RIP
Advent	6pm	People of the Parish
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Jonny & Collette Int
Feria		
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Mary & Family Int
Feria		
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> December	8.00 am	Marie & Peter Int
Feria		
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	10am	Thanksgiving
Feria		
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December	10.00 am	Joe & Carol Int
Feria		
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	5pm	Sigrid Anderson RIP
Feria	7pm	Mary Eileen Matthews RIP
	9pm	Seamus Keogh RIP
25 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	9.30am	James Family RIP
Fourth Sunday of	11.15am	Burke & Cosgrove Family RIP
Advent	6pm	No Mass

# YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.

Please subscribe to us!

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If you wish to DONATE to the Parish via phone please scan the QR code

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILATION

Available after 10am Mass on Saturday morning by request

MONDAY UNDER 5's. Term Time only – Will resume Monday 09th January

# WORLD YOUTH DAY Lisbon

(31st July to 7th August 2023) The Archdiocese of Southwark is taking a group of young people (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in Lisbon from 31 July to 7 August 2023. Bookings are now open; the price is £1,295, which includes flights, 3\* accommodation (shared room), transfers, WYD registration fee & meal vouchers. If you are between 18-35, you are welcome to book via https://bit.ly/WYDSouthwark . For further information, please email youth@rcaos.org.uk

MASS OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Wilson from St George's Cathedral at 11.30 pm on Christmas Eve:<u>https://bit.ly/SouthwarkMidnightMass2022</u>or <u>https://youtu.be/OHB\_dWG WNV8</u>

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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# **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 to the parish office. **To use just giving page please use the tab on the front page of the** website

Just Giving page:www.justgiving.com/fundraising /stsimonputney

# Weekly Offerings

Weekly Offering for:-

11<sup>th</sup> December: **£603.80** 

Thank you for generous support.

Your generosity is much appreciated.