# OUR LADY OF PITY AND ST SIMON STOCK CHURCH

### PRAYER FOR PEACE IN ISRAEL & GAZA

Please keep the people of Israel & Gaza in your prayers at this time of great suffering for them. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before the 10am Mass on Fridays (begins at 9am), an opportunity to pray together for an end to the conflict.

CAFOD APPEAL Donate at cafod.org.uk/ipc or 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those in need. Your donation supports aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

#### DAVID HOLAND RIP

Sadly, we announce that David died on Wednesday morning - 03<sup>rd</sup> January, in hospital after treatment for cancer. David was music director and organist for almost 40 years at St. Simon's and enhanced our liturgy with his musical expertise and talent. He will be sadly missed and was a dear friend to some many in the parish. We keep his father and brother in our prayers. Funeral arrangements to follow. May the choirs of angels lead you to paradise.

May he rest in Peace.

#### **JUBILEE 2025**

Pope Francis has announced the 2025 will be a holy year (to start on 24<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024 and conclude on 06 Jan 2026). The theme will be Pilgrims of Hope. This year by means of preparation we are to focus on prayer and how to pray. More will follow, early in the new year.

**ALPHA PARTY -** Friday 9 February 2024 at 7pm, Parish Hall. For all those who attended Alpha last Autumn, previous attendees and anyone else in the parish who would like to come along (and friends or relatives you may want to invite who are unchurched or lapsed). If you could contribute a dish of food to the party it would be much appreciated.

**NEXT FAMIL MASS** 04<sup>th</sup> February at 09:30am If you would like your child to read a bidding prayer please contact the Parish Office.

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# 21st January 2024 Third Sunday

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24:4-9 response v 4 Second Reading: Corinthians 7:29-31 Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

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**THE PASSAGE** A Catholic charity working with homeless people in London at a time when the Passage's finances are stretched and they are helping more homeless people, please consider supporting this charity through the link:

//donate.passage.org.uk

COMMUNITY LUNCH Every Thursday at St Margaret's Church Putney Park Lane SW15 5HU 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 it's absolutely free! If you would like to volunteer to help at the lunch please contact Helen at St Margaret's on: 0208 789 5932 office@stmargretsputney.org or for any further information.

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY** 2024 – Join Archbishop John Wilson for Mass at St Georges Cathedral 10am, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024. To be followed by light refreshments in Amigo Hall.

<u>SECOND COLLECTION</u> – Today for Racial Justice Sunday, we will have a second collection which is to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial Justice in our schools, parishes and in wide society.

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STREET PASTORS are looking for volunteers for a pilot initiative launching in Putney (based by St Mary's) in April 2024 to last 6 months but to be extended if a success. The safe space will operate Fridays 10pm – 3am with the hope of extending this to also work on Saturdays. Volunteers should be over 18, a church member and able to commit a training course covering topics such as counselling, drug awareness, street safety. Contact Ciara info@positivelyputney.co.uk

**SPIRITUAL GATHERING** We come together every month to share and deepen our faith. This month will be 05<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024 at 10:45am at FFM Convent 36 Gwendolen Avenue, Putney SW15 6EJ – All Welcome.

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# WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2024 -

18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January. The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

| MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS       |         |                        |
|-----------------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 21st January 2024                 | 9.30am  | People of the Parish   |
| Third Sunday                      | 11.15am | Stella Chattle RIP     |
|                                   | 6pm     | John Treneman RIP      |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January   | 10am    | David Nathan RIP       |
| Feria                             |         |                        |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January  | 10am    | Dempsey Family RIP     |
| Feria                             |         |                        |
| Wednesday 24th January            | 8am     | Ignacio Rodrigues RIP  |
| Saint Francis de Sales            |         |                        |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January | -       | No Mass                |
| The Conversion of Saint           |         |                        |
| Paul the Apostle                  |         |                        |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January   | 10am    | Bridie Rodway Int      |
| Saints Timothy and Titus          |         |                        |
| Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> January | 10am    | Kathleen & David Kenny |
| Feria                             |         | Int                    |

## SACRAMENT OR RECONCILIATION

**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

**PARISH DATABASE** If you are a new or existing parishioner, please visit our website <a href="www.stsimonputney.uk">www.stsimonputney.uk</a> and complete a registration form via Church Suite. This is an opportunity to ensure that all of your contact information is up to date. Your information will be confidential and not passed onto any third party. It will only be accessed by Canon Michael and the parish office staff for administration purposes only. Thank you.

**BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS** We are currently carrying out necessary repairs and improvements to our buildings. See parish website for details.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Convent: Franciscan Missionaries of Mary: 0208 780 1828 Marriage Preparation Days: Philip & Mary Pond 0208 651 4653 A parish of Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark CIO Registered Incorporated Charity Number 1173050

# YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.



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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 a completed copy to the Parish Office or put through the Priests

House letter box.

Standing order forms and gift aid declaration forms are in the porch

### **Weekly Offerings**

Weekly collection for: 14th Jan: £ 381.16

Your generosity is much appreciated.