# 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 will be Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm - Further details to follow. May the choirs of angels lead you to paradise. May he rest in Peace.

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.

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**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.

### 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

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### 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 FMM Convent 36 Gwendolen Avenue, Putney SW15 6EJ – All Welcome.

## 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Fourth Sunday

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 94:1-2, 6-9, response v 9 Second Reading: Corinthians 7:32-35 Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Parish Mass book page: 132

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday 0lst March 2024 (A woman led, global, ecumenical movement.) This years' service has been prepared by the Christian women of Palestine. "I beg you, bear with one another in love". This service would have started being prepared over 3 years ago. The service will be held at Holy Trinity C of E Church, Ponsonby Road, Roehampton SW15 4LA at 12.15pm and the evening service will be held at St. Mary's C of E Church, Putney High Street, Putney SW15 1SN at 8pm. EVERYONE is invited and there will be refreshments after both services. This is a wonderful opportunity to come and pray for PEACE.

**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.

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<u>TODAYS 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

**NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK** This national event runs from February 7-14. For a rich resource of information, prayers and events please see the attached document, also the Bishops' Conference website: <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week-2024/">https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week-2024/</a>

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# LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT MINISTRY

Welcomes you to come to a one-day retreat of quiet reflection Saturday 3rd February 2024. 11:00am – 4:30pm The Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR Nearest Tube Stations: Piccadilly Circus exit 2 Down Regent Street, Turn right into Regent Place

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS		
28th January 2024	9.30am	People of the Parish
Fourth Sunday	11.15am	Gus Cummins Int
	6pm	Mary Eileen Matthews RIP
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	10am	Fr Tim Int
Feria		
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	10am	Victoria Croghan Int
Feria		
Wednesday 31st January	8am	Tom & Derek Kenny RIP
Saint John Bosco		
Thursday 01st February	-	No Mass
Feria		
Friday 02 <sup>nd</sup> February	10am	Eileen Harris RIP
The presentation of The		
Lord		
Saturday 03 <sup>rd</sup> February	10am	Seamus Keogh RIP
Saint Laurence of		
Canterbury		

### YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.



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

**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.

### **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

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Our Lady of Victories School: 020 8788 7957

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

### **Weekly Offerings**

Weekly collection for: 21<sup>st</sup> Jan: £421.51

Your generosity is much appreciated.