

# OUR LADY OF PITY AND ST SIMON STOCK CHURCH

**TODAY IS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY**  
**We pray for vocations to the Priesthood.**

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese.

May those called to hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully.

We ask this through Christ Your Son,  
the Eternal High Priest, Amen.

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**TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR PRIEST TRAINING FUND (ECCLESIASTICAL EDUCATION)**

20 - 21 April – This collection helps to meet the costs of training students for the priesthood and the permanent diaconate. It also supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy. Please take the envelope from the porch which gives up to date information on our students for the priesthood in Southwark. This can be used in the collection or taken home for information and something to pray about.

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**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.

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**ALTAR SERVERS**

We are inviting young people or adults who have made their First Communion to consider becoming altar servers. This means making a regular commitment each Sunday and will involve some training. Please only come forward if you can make a serious commitment. Please contact the office.

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**SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH**

The Southwark Catholic Youth Service has several activities in 2024 for youth and young adults. For regular updates on forthcoming events, please sign up to our network at [www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork](http://www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork) or see our website at [www.tinyurl.com/scys1](http://www.tinyurl.com/scys1)

**21<sup>st</sup> April 2024**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29  
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Second Reading: John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

**Parish Mass book page: 265**

**Youth Days (10-14 years)**

The next Youth Day, for young people aged 10 to 14, will take place at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 11 May. The day will include faith input, prayer, sports, games, and pizza. Contact details see previous item.

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**OPEN DAY: Marymount International School**

London All-Girls Catholic Day and Boarding School  
Saturday, 27 April 2024 Register online at  
[www.marymountlondon.com](http://www.marymountlondon.com)

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**HOPE & HEALING FOR CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND:**

In Gaza, over 800 Christians are sheltering in churches. Every day involves fear, prayers and one piece of bread to eat. International aid can't reach them. In Bethlehem, 80% of Christians have lost their income as tourism has collapsed. Friends of the Holy Land ask for your help:

[www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/hope](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/hope) 01926 512980  
or use the QR code in the porch.

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**ARCHBISHOP JOHN WARMLY INVITES YOU**

to join him as he leads the Southwark Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, from 23rd to 30th August 2024. Details of this can be found on the Archdiocesan website: [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk). Experience the unique spirituality of Lourdes, along with people from parishes around the Archdiocese.

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**NEXT SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION FOR ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SOUTHWARK.**

St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship

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**SPIRITUAL GATHERING**

We come together every month to share and deepen our faith. This month will be 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 10:40am at FMM Convent, 36 Gwendolen Avenue, Putney SW15 6EJ – All Welcome.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS**

<b>21<sup>st</sup> April 2024</b> <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>9.30am</b> <b>11.15am</b> <b>6pm</b>	People of the Parish Darren & Cindy Nardoni Int Graham Hill RIP
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b> <b>Feria</b>	<b>10am</b>	Juan Garau Int
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b> <b>St George</b>	<b>10am</b>	Mario Teixeira RIP
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>Feria</b>	<b>8am</b>	Sylvia McClean Int
<b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>St Mark</b>	-	No Mass
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>Feria</b>	<b>10am</b>	Fr. David Stanley RIP
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>Feria</b>	<b>10am</b>	Christine Doyle RIP

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday morning 10:30am -11:30am**

**YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM**

Every Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed via YouTube.

**Please subscribe to us!**  
**ST SIMONS, PUTNEY**



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 [www.stsimonputney.uk](http://www.stsimonputney.uk) 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.

**THE ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS**

July 13 at 3pm at St George's Cathedral. Couples celebrating a special anniversary – one, 10, 25, 40, 50 or 60 or more years – and wishing to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, should email [mflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk)

**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**

**Parish Priest: Canon Michael O'Dea**

**Hazlewell Road, Putney SW15 6LU, Tel: 0208 788 1131;**

**Email: [putney@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:putney@rcaos.org.uk) Website: [StSimonPutney.uk](http://StSimonPutney.uk)**

**Parish Administrator: Catherine Hallett**

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

**Safeguarding: Moira Bennett 07764 939 631**

**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**

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**Weekly Offerings**

Holy Places £743.72  
Contactless: £260.00

07<sup>th</sup> April £ 655.78  
Contactless:£ 375.00

14<sup>th</sup> April £502.76  
Contactless: £440.00

**Your generosity is much appreciated.**