



Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Links Road

*One Family, One Love*

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

SW17 9ER, 282 LINKS ROAD TOOTING

4th SUNDAY IN LENT: YR B

14TH MARCH 2021

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday 7pm

**Conference Call / Zoom**

The Sunday Mass 10 am will also be on the conference call: **DIAL NUMBER 03306060403 AND ACCESS CODE 766692 #**

ZOOM MEETING ID: 8515700488,

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## CHURCH RESUMED AGAIN FOR MASSES

### COVID-19 CONDITIONS FOR WORSHIP IN THE CHURCH

- ◆ Please use the Sanitiser and follow the appropriate signage in the Church
- ◆ No people with any cold or flu like symptoms are allowed
- ◆ No toilet facilities in the church
- ◆ No lighting of devotional candles for now
- ◆ No congregational singing
- ◆ Face mask is compulsory while in the church

You will need to fill "Track and test card" before entering the Church. It is compulsory for all. Or Make use of **NHS TEST AND TRACE COVID -19 QR CODE SCAN** available in the church.

## WELCOME TO THE SEASON OF LENT (Feb 17th to April 4th)

This is a favourable season for prayers, fasting, almsgiving, reconciliation and abstinence (Matt 6:1-8, Colossians 3:13). It is another great opportunity of your life to return to the love and forgiveness of God. Amen

## PARISH UPDATE

I am always available for any contact, feel free to ring me for any pastoral support. I will equally update you via the parish WhatsApp platform, website and newsletter. Let us continue to support each other and the food bank as well. The Lord will never abandoned his children. Amen.

## DONATIONS/OFFERINGS

Your continuous donations and offerings to the church is greatly appreciated ; via standing order is still recommended. This is the parish account details **Acc Name: RCAS Our Lady of the Assumption Tooting, Acc. Number 79136869 Sort Code 605001**. Thank you for supporting the running of the Church.

## APPRECIATIONS:

A big thank you to our volunteer team , the church cleaners and the florists for making our church beautiful and conducive for worship and prayers.

Thanks for being an indefatigable and dynamic parishioner. May the good lord grant you another unfathomable grace for his mission in our church in this year. Amen

## PARISH OFFICE HOUR

The parish office in the presbytery, 282 Links Road, is opened every Tuesday from 5pm -7pm. Contact for any pastoral discussion or counselling and signing of forms. Feel free to ring the priest and book appointment at any time for emergency.

## THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

**(8th DECEMBER 2020 to 8th DECEMBER 2021)**

### PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

TO YOU, O BLESSED JOSEPH, DO WE COME IN OUR AFFLICTIONS, AND HAVING IMplored THE HELP OF YOUR MOST HOLY SPOUSE, WE CONFIDENTLY INVOKE YOUR PATRONAGE ALSO. THROUGH THAT CHARITY WHICH BOUND YOU TO THE IMMACULATE VIRGIN MOTHER OF GOD AND THROUGH THE PATERNAL LOVE WITH WHICH YOU EMBRACED THE CHILD JESUS, WE HUMBLy BEG YOU GRACIOUSLY TO REGARD THE INHERITANCE WHICH JESUS CHRIST HAS PURCHASED BY HIS BLOOD, AND WITH YOUR POWER AND STRENGTH TO AID US IN OUR NECESSITIES. O MOST WATCHFUL GUARDIAN OF THE HOLY FAMILY, DEFEND THE CHOSEN CHILDREN OF JESUS CHRIST; O MOST LOVING FATHER, WARD OFF FROM US EVERY CONTAGION OF ERROR AND CORRUPTING INFLUENCE; O OUR MOST MIGHTY PROTECTOR, BE KIND TO US AND FROM HEAVEN ASSIST US IN OUR STRUGGLE WITH THE POWER OF DARKNESS. AS ONCE YOU RESCUED THE CHILD JESUS FROM DEADLY PERIL, SO NOW PROTECT GOD'S HOLY CHURCH FROM THE SNAres OF THE ENEMY AND FROM ALL ADVERSITY; SHIELD, TOO, EACH ONE OF US BY YOUR CONSTANT PROTECTION, SO THAT, SUPPORTED BY YOUR EXAMPLE AND YOUR AID, WE MAY BE ABLE TO LIVE PIOUSLY, TO DIE IN HOLINESS, AND TO OBTAIN ETERNAL HAPPINESS IN HEAVEN. AMEN.

## WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome all new parishioners. We are pleased to have new members in our parish family

## MOTHERING SUNDAY

**HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY TO ALL THE WONDERFUL WOMEN OF OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR SACRIFICES FOR OUR CHURCH. THANKS FOR BEING IDEAL MOTHERS FOR YOUR FAMILIES AND THE CHURCH. "PROUD MOTHERS FOR CHRIST"!**

**"OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION,  
ONE FAMILY, ONE LOVE"**

**Note:** Other prayers and readings may be used if the Scrutinies are celebrated today.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.*

*Be joyful, all who were in mourning;*

*exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.*

### COLLECT

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### FIRST READING 2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23

A reading from the second book of Chronicles.

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, "Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation."

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: "Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, 'The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.'"

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM Psalm 136

#### RESPONSE: *O let my tongue*

*cleave to my mouth*

*if I remember you not!*

1. By the rivers of Babylon  
there we sat and wept,  
remembering Zion;  
on the poplars that grew there  
we hung up our harps. **R.**
2. For it was there that they asked us,  
our captors, for songs,  
our oppressors, for joy.  
"Sing to us," they said,  
"one of Zion's songs." **R.**
3. O how could we sing  
the song of the Lord  
on alien soil?  
If I forget you, Jerusalem,  
let my right hand wither! **R.**
4. O let my tongue  
cleave to my mouth  
if I remember you not,  
if I prize not Jerusalem  
above all my joys! **R.**

### SECOND READING Ephesians 2:4-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Glory and praise to you, O Christ!*

*God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son;*

*everyone who believes in him has eternal life.*

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### GOSPEL John 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

"The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil.

And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.*

*It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendour of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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