

**St James the Great RC Church**

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29th March 2026

Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord

Second Collection - Building Fund

**PARISH DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March**

05.30 pm Confessions

06.00 pm Martin Rivenell RIP ( S Weekly)

*CWL Beetle Drive 7pm for 7.30 start in the community centre*

**Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> March (Palm Sunday)**

09.15 am Michelle Jones Birthday (R Turton)

11.00 am Wellbeing of Adams Family  
(L Henderson)

*Coffee and Tea after Mass in the Community Centre*

03.00 pm Stations of The Cross

**Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> March (Monday of Holy Week)**

10.00 am Persecuted Christians (CWL)

*11.00 Pondering the Word (Lectio Divina) via Zoom*

**Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March (Tuesday of Holy Week)**

10.00 am Wellbeing of Tina Mc Innerny & Family  
(K Murphy)

*11.00am Meditation in the church*

*01.30 pm Companions Club in the Community Centre*

**Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April (Wednesday of Holy Week)**

No Mass from St James'. Please note that St Edmund Beckenham will live stream their Mass at 10.00 am.

**Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April (Maundy Thursday)**

7.30pm Thanksgiving for all priests and Pope Leo XIV followed by Adoration till 9pm

**Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April (Friday of The Passion Of The Lord)**

10am Stations of The Cross for children

11am Walk of Witness – PWCT starting from St James

3pm Good Friday Service

8pm Prayers around the Cross

**Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April (Holy Saturday)**

11.30am Swieconka – Blessing of the Easter Basket

5pm Confessions

08.00pm Easter Vigil – People of The Parish

**Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April (Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord)**

09.15 am Francesca Margaux Sio RIP (J Sio)

11.00 am Fr John Wright RIP (Parker Family)

*Coffee and Tea after Mass in the Community Centre*

**Safeguarding Appeal**

Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone in the Parish.

We need a Safeguarding Team who are responsible for the safety of the Priest and all the congregation ensuring that the Diocesan policies are followed at all times.

This involves administration of all the Volunteers who are involved with any Groups of people in the Parish. They need to act within the policies as laid down by the Diocese.

It is the responsibility of the Team to manage any concerns that may arise at any time in the Parish. They need to act within the policies as laid down by the Diocese, for the safety of the Parish Priest and anyone involved in activities, Groups here in the Parish.

We are looking for a Team of people who would be willing to help with this role urgently. Please e-mail Fr Daniel or the Parish Office if you feel you could help with this important role. The Current Safeguarding Representative will be standing down at the end of the month.

### Easter Offerings

Easter offerings are traditionally your personal gift to your parish priest. The collection taken at our Easter Masses, together with anything placed in the White Easter Offering envelopes constitute your personal gift to Fr Daniel. If you are in the Gift Aid Scheme please put your name and Gift Aid number on the envelope so that we can claim the tax refund. Envelopes can also be handed in at the Parish Office at any other time. If you wish to make your Easter offering via bank transfer to the parish bank account, please use the following Account:

Name: RCAS Petts Wood

Account Number: 13204297

Sort Code: 60 08 14 Reference: Easter/GA  
Number/Surname

or pay by selecting 'Easter Offerings' on the cashless terminals at the entrances.

### Offertory collections

Thank you for your offerings last week of £667.43  
Second Collection -Poor parishes £227.25  
(Please note this is the cash offerings only and does not include any standing orders we have received).  
Mass attendances were 394.

### Gift Aid Envelopes

Available for collection 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> March. If for any reason you no longer wish to use envelopes please put your envelopes into the box labelled unwanted envelopes. It's not too late to sign up for Gift Aid for the coming financial year, either by using envelopes or by standing order from your bank account. The necessary forms are available on the parish website or through the parish office.

### Parking during Masses

We have received more complaints regarding the dangerous parking during the weekend Masses. This has prevented emergency vehicles gaining access. Please only park in designated spaces on the road or double park in the church carparks. Please leave the circle entrance (in top carpark) free for emergencies.

### Please can you help

We urgently need people to help become welcomers for the 9.15am Sunday Masses and after all weekend Masses for the Parish shop (Repository). Please contact the Parish office if you can help.

### Food Bank

The urgent needs this week are for tinned cold meat, long life desserts, UHT milk, fruit juice (long life), squash, shampoo, Laundry sheets/gel, multi surface wipes/spray, washing up liquid, bleach.

Parishioners have been extremely generous in their donations of Easter eggs for the Foodbank. Thank you so much for supporting this appeal. It is good to know that many children, who might have lost out, will receive these gifts.

### 200 Club Subscriptions

Annual subscriptions for the 200 club are due by the 31st March. Thank you for your continued support, if you wish to continue please can you pay by cheque £60 payable to St James 200 club.

I shall be grateful if you can send it to the Parish Office or place it in an envelope and place it in the offertory basket at any Mass. Alternatively you can pay online to St James 200 Club sort code 601603 - Account Number 77878736.

Another way if you wish to spread the cost is by paying by Standing Order £5 per month to the same account number etc. Please advise me if you wish to alter your payment method.

At present there are 10 vacancies so if anyone wishes to join please contact me Ken Evans Tel: no 01689 851793.

### Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, July 11th, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup>/50<sup>th</sup>/60<sup>th</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know as soon as possible, **and no later than the middle of May**, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Contact us at [mfse@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mfse@rcaos.org.uk) As the title of your email, please write your parish location – Petts Wood .

**Marriage and Family Life South East  
RC Archdiocese of Southwark**

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