

Dear Patishoner,
I am writing to you just in case
you were unable to be present at our Patish
Night. I want you to know that our Patish

2/6 X 4 + 50 years =? *God Bless Fr Kevin*

Entrance Antiphon Is. 66:10-11 (Book Page 165)

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...

First reading 1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him: God does not see as man sees: man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

Responsorial Psalm 22:1-6

*The Lord is my shepherd:
there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R)

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. If I should walk in
the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff; with these you give me comfort. (R)

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R)

Surely goodness and kindness
shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house
shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R)

Second reading Ephesians 5:8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: *Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.*

Gospel Acclamation Jn 8:12

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, O Christ...

Gospel John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man, and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a

sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

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.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went,
I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

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.

Thank you for your Offertory 23rd March

OLSS £725 Cafod F/Fast Total £1137
St J's £318 & Candles £198



Remember to Sponsor Hannah Long aged 10 who is running the last part of the London marathon in aid of OLSS Restoration Funds. There are sponsor forms at the back of the Church or you may tear off and return this slip to OLSS with your gift of encouragement. Who knows maybe she is set for Japan in 2020.

Name:..... Pledge: £.....

Contact Number or Email:.....

PALM SUNDAY & the Marathon

The London Marathon is on Sunday 13th April. Extensive Road closures create difficulties for both churches. **We are planning an ADDITIONAL MASS for Marathon Participants at OLSS at 8.00am** on that day. This is an experiment to see if visitors would like to attend Mass before the Race. Masses at 9.00 & 11.00 will remain but you may need to walk to OLSS. Even though Trafalgar Road remains closed till 2.00pm several people walked to St Joseph's Church last year and were disappointed to find it closed. We are hoping to provide a Spanish Mass at 12.00 on that day. **The main Sunday Mass at St Joseph's will be at 6.00pm on Palm Sunday.**

Thoughts and Prayers

Especially for Carmel Jackson following the unexpected death of her Son Kevin.

He will be received to Church OLSS Monday 31st & Funeral Mass 9.30 Tuesday 1st April

New Sunday Mass Books

Now available for use at both churches.

The readings will still appear in the newsletter but the full rites for Holy Week and other festivals will be available in these books.

Please ensure that they are left at church.

There are still a few complete hardback Mass books available for private purchase cost £14

The Manna Centre – Lenten Appeal

Your gifts of tinned and other preserved foodstuffs are welcome once again to be left in the porch at OLSS between now and Easter in support of the Manna Centre. NB: There are now shiny new bins for the storage of food to keep it safe from the interests of mice!

Evening Prayer of the Church

With Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
Sundays in Lent OLSS 5.00pm - 6.00pm



CALENDAR FOR 29th MARCH – 6th APRIL 2014

29 th Saturday	Mass 18.00 OLSS	Int: Jack Thompson (RIP)
30 th Sunday	Mass 9.00 OLSS	Int: Maria Brindley (WB)
<i>Mothering Sunday</i>	Mass 10.00 St. J's	Int: Parish & People

Children's first Confessions at St Joseph after 10.00am Mass today

<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass 11.00 OLSS	Int: Barbara Boyle (RIP)
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Evening Prayer of the Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction 5.00 – 6.00pm

31 st Monday	No Mass on Monday	5.00pm Reception of the Body of Kevin Jackson
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1 st Tuesday	<u>Requiem Mass 9.30 OLSS KEVIN JACKSON RIP</u>
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Burial at: Woolwich New Cemetery - 11.00am

	Mass 7.00 St J's	Int: Catherine Connell (RIP)
2 nd Wednesday	Mass 9.30 OLSS	Int: John Harkin (RIP)
3 rd Thursday	Mass 9.30 OLSS	Int: Mrs Pearl (Ints)
	Mass 11.00 St J's	Int: Abraham Deodatus Maboja (RIP) (Sophia Maboja)
4 th Friday	Mass 9.30 OLSS	Int: Brian McArdle (RIP in Monaghan – Paul Simpson)

Stations of the Cross during Lent 10 a.m. at OLSS and 10 a.m. & 7 p.m. at St Joseph's

5 th Saturday	<u>Holy Baptism Edward Aloysius Brinkley & Rory James Williamson</u>
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<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass 18.00 OLSS	Int: Martin Holmes (WB)
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6 th Sunday	Mass 9.00 OLSS	Int: Halloran Family (Dec'd Members RIP)
	Mass 10.00 St. J's	Int: Parish & People

Coffee Cakes and Refrehments after the 10.00am Mass at St Joseph on 6th April

Mass 11.00 OLSS	Int: Parish & People
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Coffee Cakes and Refrehments after the 11.00am Mass at OLSS on 6th April

Fair Trade There used to be a regular fair trade stall at OLSS prior to my arrival.

I would very much like to restore that practice and invite volunteers to co-ordinate goods and orders and others to facilitate a stall after each Sunday Mass. We already have a special pre-order for "Yoghourt covered raisins" 2cwt soon expected. Happy Mothers Day!



MASSES AND SERVICES

Saturday	6.00 pm	Vigil (first Mass of Sunday) Star of the Sea
Sunday	9.00 am	Star of the Sea
	10.00am	St Joseph's
	11.00am	Star of the Sea

If you would like a Mass intention, put your offering in an envelope with the Name, Purpose, Preferred Dates and Church clearly marked. Please allow alternative dates and give plenty of notice especially at the time of festivals when there may be conflicting requests.

Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30 am

Star of the Sea Unless otherwise indicated, the Church is open from 8.30 for:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Rosary at 9.10 and Mass at 9.30

St Joseph's Tuesday Exposition at 6.15 & Mass at 7.00 pm also Thursday Mass at 11.00am

Confessions: Saturday at 10.00am at Star of the Sea & Tuesday 6.30 pm St Joseph

Items for the Newsletter should be emailed: kevin_robinson@lineone.net Or: joevictor2004@yahoo.com

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ALL Enquiries for Marriage *for either church* after the 7.00pm Mass on Tuesday

Evening at St Joseph's, or phone to make an appointment. Baptism preparation evenings usually run on the 2nd Wednesday at OLSS 7.00pm check the newsletter

Ursuline Convent: Crooms Hill Tel: 020 8858 0779

Dominican Convent: Hyde Vale TEL: 020 8692 3382

St Joseph's House: Email: fsmsistersatstjoseph@gmail.com

Franciscan Sisters Tel: 020 8858 1845

St Joseph's RC primary school va, Tel: 020 8858 4182

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St Ursula's Girls Convent School Tel: 020 8858 4613

Crooms Hill, Greenwich SE10 8HN **Headteacher:** Mrs Ciara Warnock

