

## This Sun (15<sup>th</sup> Feb) Readings

1st Reading –Sirach 15: 15-20

Psalm –119

2nd Reading –1 Corinthians 2: 6-10

Gospel – Matthew 5: 17-37

## Intentions

6pm Deceased Members of the Miller Family RIP

9am Pauline Burgess RIP

11am The People of the Parish



# Parish Of St Simon Stock



15<sup>th</sup> February 2026

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Yr A

**Hymns for 11am Mass: 74, 530, 585, 663, 862, 233**

**Ent Antiphon** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**Psalm response:** *Blessed are those who walk in the law of the LORD!*

**Gospel Acc:** *Alleluia, alleluia* I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. *Alleluia.*

**Com. Anti:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am Feria

Wed 10am Ash Wednesday

8pm

Thu 10am Feria

Fri

8pm Feria

Wellbeing of Les & Kim Boulton

Tina Jackson RIP

David Rowe RIP

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 7.50PM**

The People of the Parish

Pauline Burgess RIP

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 7PM TO 8PM**

Ollie Slack RIP

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Friday 7.15pm to 7.45pm Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

## Next Sun (22<sup>nd</sup> Feb) Readings

1st Reading –Genesis 2: 7-9; 3: 1-7

Psalm –51

2nd Reading –Romans 5: 12-19 11am For Hannah, Billy & Eden and welcome to Rowan Spellman

Gospel – Matthew 4: 1-11

## Intentions

6pm Pearce Family Intentions

9am The People of the Parish

## Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Maria-Rita West, Mary Lee, Caroline Nelson, Renee Goldfinch, Brian Magee, Jenny Evans, John Cox-Brown, Tony Tortoroli, Rose Angland, John Forrest, Margaret Laws, Violet Cook, Guy Lebrun, Eddie Driver, Mildred Homan, Harry Windle, Terrence Garritty, Michael White, Pauline Burgess, & Joseph Davey. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Sick and Housebound:** We pray for all those who are sick and the housebound., and all those in our parish and their families. **St Simon Stock, keep them in your care**

**Mass Intentions:** Please make cheques payable to St Simon Stock Church. See website for details of how to make a bank transfer.

**100 Club (Parish Lottery)** - Cash Prizes to be won monthly! Annual Subscription £12 per number. Feb Winners: £50 No 311 James Carmichael £25 No 276 Tracy & Kevin Leahy

**Parish Gift Aid Scheme:** If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please contact Sandra Rocco on 07720 772089

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

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This Sunday we have a rather good meditation on Jesus' instructions - but these are not arbitrary commandments, they are given to us to help us live in harmony with one another. There is some basic rebelliousness within us, a stubborn pride leading to anger, lust, divorce, and oaths spoken of in today's gospel. That is the main point made in the First Reading: God has not commanded anyone to be ungodly and he has not given anyone permission to sin (Sirach 15:20). In this way we move beyond the emotion and we deliberately choose to exercise the virtue of love. The way to do this, with the eyes of faith, is to recognise the Spirit who searches everything, even the depths of God (1Cor 2:10). To everyone, be assured of my prayers.

Fr Joseph Donkor

**Part-Time Parish Cleaner** for the Presbytery. Applicant must have previous professional cleaning experience and current permission to work in the UK and must also provide a current reference.

**Hours:** 4 hours per week (on one day) This will be a 12 mth fixed term contract

**Pay:** £13 - £14 per hour, depending on experience.

**Interested?** Job description can be obtained from Parish Office. CV and covering letter to be handed into Parish Office. **All applications must be in by 8<sup>th</sup> March.**

## UCM Easter Crafting

Easter Crafting Sessions for primary aged children on Saturdays 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> March in Emmaus Hall from 10-12. The cost for each child is £2.50, which will include juice & biscuits and they will be able to take their masterpieces home. Refreshments & conversation will also be available for parents. Please register your child/children with the Parish Office so that we have an idea how many to expect. Alternatively, you can speak to Pat Donovan or Helen Appleby. Flyers will be available at masses. Please remain with your child as we cannot be held responsible for them.'

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**Please note: Parish Office is located in the new church extension**

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## Parish News

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS 7.15PM DURING LENT

If you would like to lead this please contact the parish office to book a date. Dates available are 20<sup>th</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 27<sup>th</sup> March and 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Fr Joseph will also hold the Stations of the Cross on Mondays after 10am Mass during Lent.

### UCM FAMILY FUN QUIZ

This year the theme is UK Railway Stations. Sheets will be on sale after the weekend masses 28th Feb/1st Mar & 7/8th March. Answers need to be handed to a UCM Member or into Parish Office by 23rd March. Winners will be informed by 27th March and Answers will be available in Church and on Website by 28th March. Quiz Sheets cost £2 and all monies will go to the Charity Mary's Meals.

### BEREAVMENT SUPPORT GROUP (by appointment)

We usually meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month in the hall. If you would like to come along please let us have your details through the church email.

### DROP IN SESSIONS WITH FR JOSEPH

On Tuesdays from 7pm to 9pm for anyone who wishes to see him about anything. Virtual session is available also for all parishioners living in London and those who maybe cannot get to church as easily. Ring Josie, Sandra, and Tanya in the office to make appointment'.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS 2026

these will run on Saturday mornings, 10.00 – 13.00 approx. on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> July and 17<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like your child to be baptised please let the office know which session you will be attending.

### PRAY THE ROMERO ROSARY AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL.

every Friday at 5pm throughout Lent. Archbishop John will personally lead the devotion on **Ash Wednesday (18th February) at 5pm**, and again on **Friday 6th and Friday 27th March**. Let the rosary connect you to the Lord Jesus this Lenten season. Find out more at: [rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary](http://rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary)

### 100 CLUB SUBS

All subs need to be paid by the end of February £12 per number. Please either bring an envelope marked 100 Club with your name on to the parish office or pay by bank transfer to St Simon Stock Roman Catholic 60-50-01 79144055

### COLLECTIONS

8/2/26: 1<sup>st</sup> Coll GA £99, Non-GA £331.46

**Our budget that has been set for 2026 is £84,450. This is not money that we have, it is what we need to find through our weekend collections.**

## Community Events

Sun 15 Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Clergy Support Fund (Sick & Retired priests)
Mon 16 Feb	Cubs in the parish Hall 5.30pm to 7pm Rosary on Zoom at 6pm Keeping the Fires Burning 7.30pm in the Parish Hall
Tue 17 Feb	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 18 Feb	Ash Wednesday ADORATION 2PM TO 7.50PM
Thu 19 Feb	Beavers & Scouts in the parish hall 5.45pm to 9pm Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 20 Feb	No Confirmation Class Stations of the Cross at 7.15pm
Sat 21 Feb	Legion of Mary Meeting at 10am in the Parish Office
Sun 22 Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for the Development Fund CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS
Mon 23 Feb	Cubs in the parish Hall 5.30pm to 7pm Rosary on Zoom at 6pm RCIA in parish office at 7.30pm
Tue 24 Feb	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 25 Feb	ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM
Thu 26 Feb	Beavers & Scouts in the parish hall 5.45pm to 9pm Adult choir at 8pm in the Church
Fri 27 Feb	Confirmation Class in the Parish Hall at 6.30pm Stations of the Cross at 7.15pm
Sat 28 Feb	Legion of Mary Meeting at 10am in the Parish Office FIRST COMMUNION CLASS IN CHURCH & HALL AT 10AM
Sun 1 Mar	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for CAFOD

### Prayer for Peace

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world! You sent Your Son, the Prince of Peace, for the salvation of the world. We pray that the Peace of Christ will reign in the whole world. Please protect and send aid to those who are at-risk. We pray for peace - we pray for all who are working towards it and for all who are in danger from these conflicts. We pray for an end to violence and war, we pray for wisdom for all leaders who have a hand in this. Lord God, please help those in most need of your mercy. Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Saint Joseph, Protector of Mary, Jesus and the Church, pray for us! Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, may your kingdom reign in all the world. Amen

### When I need help...



In these difficult times when finances are stretched to the limit, it is our Christian duty to help others. If you need financial support, please call Fr Joseph on the parish mobile or speak to him confidentially in person.