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### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10:00am	Holy Souls
Tuesday	10:00	John Murray RIP
Wednesday	10:00am	Liturgy of the Word
<b>Feast of the Ascension of the Lord – Holy day of Obligation</b>		
Thursday	10:00am	People of the Parish
	07:00pm	People with depression
Friday	10:00am	Intention of the Elderly
Saturday	6:00pm	Michelle Brinkley RIP
Sunday	08:30am	Maura Ryan RIP
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12:00noon	Private intention

### Baptisms

There will be a meeting for parents with babies for baptism on Thursday after the 7pm Mass.

### First Communion 2024

Children who hope to make their holy communion should sign up immediately. All children from class 3 upwards in September 2023 should sign up with Agnieszka at the 10:00am Mass on Sunday morning. They will follow the course from now until May/June 2024, when they will make their First Communion.

### Parish Council

Parish Council (PC) meets on the first Saturday of the month after 6pm Mass. We are a group of volunteer parishioners who welcome anyone to join us, to discuss matters affecting St James the Great and its many activities from cleaning, reading rotas, SVP, youth Groups. To be a central point of communication and spiritual reflection concerning the different affairs of our parish and to co-ordinate a calendar of events and action points. So everyone is included and everyone can have a voice. Please come along to the next meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June if you would like to know more, we would love to see you.

**21st May 12:00 Confirmation Mass**

**28th May 10:00 am Cake Sale for Cancer**

**12:00 noon RCIA Party**

**3rd & 4th June First Communions at all Masses**

**9th July – Parish Day**

### Fr Jack

Do you enjoy mass every week, some weeks or never. Why do you come? A dangerous question but one worth reflecting on. Challenge yourself. What does your faith mean to you? If you were accused of being a Christian. Would you have enough evidence to prove, yes, I am a Christian. Jesus gives us fairly simple answers. "If you love me, keep my commandments." Keeping the commandments can seem very boring, but they are all an attempt to get to know Christ better. Boring, OK but positive. Good for our health, wellbeing and peace of mind. It proves I love Christ and that is far from boring. You are not an orphan. I am truly a son/daughter of the Father all wrapped up in a divine love. What a claim. I now await the coming of the Holy Spirit. to convince me more of who I truly am.

**Blessed is the person who is too busy to worry in the day time and too sleepy to worry at night.**

### Parish Finance

As you heard at Mass today it's a great help if people do Standing Orders in favour of the Parish. The bank does all our accounting, auditing and saves a lot of work. Please consider doing a standing order, and if you are a tax payer we can claim back 25% from the taxman, Parish details - National Westminster Branch - Peckham Branch Account Name - RCAS Peckham Rye Sort code - 60-16-16 Account Number - 0984 6557 Sincere thanks to all those who have already signed up, last year we received £10,575 from the tax man

**Would Daniella Caggiari, S Pillinger, Zapate Rodriguez please see Fr Jack.**

### JOB VACANCIES

**There are a number of jobs on the notice board at the back of church, have look.**

### Cancer

Maria Borg is doing a 100 mile walk during the month of May for Cancer Research UK. At her age that's a big effort so she would appreciate your financial support.