

# St Peter and the Guardian Angels

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## EIGHTH SUNDAY (C) – 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

**Lent – on Ash Wednesday we begin the 40 days of lent**, leading to Easter. Most of us know the usual practice of Lent; **fasting from meat on Fridays** and **giving something up**. These are very important disciplines, but it goes a little deeper. Three disciplines, in particular, have proven to be effective in helping us renew our relationships: **Fasting** sharpens our will and helps us evaluate things we might be attached to in an unhealthy way; **almsgiving**, or service and charity, opens our eyes to those in need; and **prayer** deepens our relationship with God.

**We all need conversion – we all need to come to terms with the ways that our brokenness and selfishness and small-mindedness diminish our relationships.** Lent is a time to reach for something more – together – and to discover that God is reaching back. Let us dare to take a long look at ourselves in the mirror, take stoke, and renovate our interior lives.

### **Clergy Support Fund Second Collection:**

The Clergy Support Fund of the Archdiocese of Southwark provides care for priests in their old age and retirement, and in their time of ill health. A gift to this worthy fund will ensure a dignified retirement for our priests, after they have dedicated a lifetime of service to Christ, His Church and His People.

Please be generous today with gift to the Clergy Support Fund and continue to keep our priests in your prayers. Thank you! Donate online: [rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF](http://rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF)

**Up Market Charity Shop** - The Albion Street Community Shop opened at 48 Albion Street in June 2011 as a result of an initiative by the Albion Street Steering Group. Albion Street has many stakeholders, including a primary school, a medical centre and the Norwegian Church & Seaman's Mission and The Finnish Church. The parish churches of St Mary's and St Peter's are also nearby. **Up Market** is open Tuesday to Saturday, 10 'til 4. The daily operation of the shop is the responsibility of a manager and an assistant. They are aided by a team of volunteers contributing 2 hour shifts. **Up Market** also supports teenagers seeking work experience or pursuing a Duke of Edinburgh Award. **Up Market** is seeking to expand its volunteering team. Therefore, if you can spare a few hours each week and are interesting in volunteering with **Up Market Core opening hours Tuesday to Saturday 10-4; Application packs available in shop, 48, Albion Street, SE16 7JQ or [upmarketat48@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:upmarketat48@hotmail.co.uk) - 07906 879340.**

**RETRouvaille: A Lifeline for Married Couples.** The next programme commences with weekend, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022. **Has Covid put you under more stress as a couple? Is your marriage become stressed, unloving, and cold? Do you argue more? Do you want to improve your communication?**

**The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need!** For information telephone or text +44 788 729 6983 (complete confidentiality assured) email:

[retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) Website: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

## Mass Times and News

<b>SUNDAY: 27<sup>th</sup> February EIGHTH SUNDAY (C)</b> <b>9am:</b> For the people <b>11pm:</b> Thanksgiving for Mbuluko family	<b>THURSDAY: 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b> <b>9:15am:</b> Mass – Mary Daly RIP
<b>MONDAY: 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> No Mass	<b>FRIDAY: 4<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>9:15am:</b> Mass; 7pm Station of the Cross
<b>TUESDAY: 1<sup>st</sup> March – St David, Feast</b> <b>7:30pm:</b> Mass	<b>SATURDAY: 5<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>6pm: Mass</b> – Int. Marlin & Mary Corcoran family + Pag RIP
<b>WEDNESDAY: 2<sup>nd</sup> March – ASH WEDNESDAY</b> <b>9:15am:</b> Mass <b>7:30: pm</b> Mass	<b>SUNDAY: 6<sup>th</sup> March – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT(C)</b> <b>9: 00am:</b> for the people <b>11:00am:</b>

**The new Gift Aid Boxes for 2022/23 are available for collection at the back of the church.**

**If you are not a box holder, and are a taxpayer, please do consider signing up for the Gift Aid Scheme.**

The relevant forms are at the back of the church or on the parish website. **For every £1 you donate the parish can claim back a further 25p from tax you have paid.**

If you prefer to give by cash, then you must use the numbered envelope system or you can give by cheque or Bankers Order. Please contact Diane Rampling on [drampling@aol.com](mailto:drampling@aol.com) or 07808 006228, if you would like to discuss further. Gift Aid forms can be found at the

back of the Church or on the Parish Website <https://stpeterandtheguardianangels.com>. Please return completed forms to Diane or to Father Tesfamichael.

**Pope's prayer Intentions for March:**  
 We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS;** 6<sup>th</sup> February; 1<sup>st</sup> collection **£438.66**; 2<sup>nd</sup> collection, Missionary appeal **£406.72**. 13<sup>th</sup> February; 1<sup>st</sup> collection - **£682.22**; 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for Racial Justice **£178.38**. 20<sup>th</sup> February collection - £707.49. Standing order January, 2022 - **£372. THANK YOU!**

**Prayer for the sick & housebound; we remember those who have asked for our prayers;**

*"Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.*

*Rest your weary ones.*

*Bless your dying ones.*

*Soothe your suffering ones.*

*Pity your afflicted ones.*

*Shield your joyous ones.*

*And for all your love's sake. Amen."*

(St Augustine)

**Your prayers are also requested for:** Anna, Monika, Lusia & Slawek; Esther, Oliver, Stephen, Pepe, Goren, Sharon, Philip, James, Mary, Rosemarie, Paul, Mark, Noel, Dany, Daniel, Saher Sinclair, Marek, Charlie, Fergie, Kohen.

**A retreat for Lent:** Make some space to develop your relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for our Diocesan 'retreat at home' called **Saving Grace**. Every week you will receive an email with links to a 25minute video in which our Archbishop John will introduce the theme and the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the retreat, with others contributing. You will also receive materials to use in your own prayer and reflection. All you have to have to do is sign up and then set aside what space you can for Saving Grace!

Background information about the retreat can be found at:

<https://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/savinggrace>. Your parishioners can sign up to receive the materials directly here: [http://eepurl.com/hnK\\_Rz](http://eepurl.com/hnK_Rz)

**Do you know any elderly, Housebound or Sick Parishioners** that would benefit from a home visit from Fr Tesfamichael if so, please visit the Presbytery or call 020 237 2969 or can speak directly to Fr after each Mass.

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