# St Columba’s Church, Selsdon

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**18 SEPTEMBER 2022 – 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C**

**THIS SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS**

**Entrance Antiphon:** I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

**First Reading:** A reading from the prophet Amos: 8:4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 112:1-2. 4-80 Rcf. Vv. 1.7: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

**Second Reading**: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy: 2:1-8

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Open your heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son, Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke: 16:1-13

**Communion Antiphon:** You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

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| **Date** | **Time** | **Liturgical Calendar** | **Mass Intention** |
| Saturday 17th | 6.30pm | [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/OT4Sunday.shtml#OT23) (Saturday) | Lily Paes, RIP |
| Sunday 18th | 8.00am | [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/OT4Sunday.shtml#OT23) | Tony Walker, RIP |
| Sunday 18th | 10.00am | [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/OT4Sunday.shtml#OT23) | Mary Osei-Bobie, RIP |
| Sunday 18th | 6.30pm | [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/OT4Sunday.shtml#OT23) | Pro Populo |
| Monday 19th | 10.00am | St Theodore of Canterbury | Pat Taylor, well-being |
| Tuesday 20th | 10.00am | Korean Martyrs | Private Intention |
| Wednesday 21st | 10.00am | St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist | Holy Souls |
| Thursday 22nd | 10.00am | Weekday | Peace in the world |
| Friday 23rd | 10.00am | Padre Pio | Holy Souls |
| Saturday 24th | **No Mass** | Our Lady of Walsingham | **No Mass** |
| Saturday 24th | 6.30pm | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Saturday) | Pamela Maguire, RIP |
| Sunday 25th | 8.00am | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Pro Populo |
| Sunday 25th | 10.00am | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Briege Finegan, RIP |
| Sunday 25th | 6.30pm | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Priest’s Intention |

*Weekday Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer (at 9.40am). Tuesday’s Mass is followed by Holy Hour; Friday’s Mass, by the rosary. There are devotions to Our Lady every Saturday morning at 10am. Confessions: on demand.*

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There is second collection today for the home missions, evangelisation within the UK.

**CONSIDER CONTACTLESS:** Please consider going contactless and using the payment machines in the church. You use your credit or debit card to make an offering, touch the button for the amount you wish to give, tap your credit or debit card on the keypad – and that’s it and if you wish St Columba’s to benefit from Gift Aid (an extra 25p at no cost to you for every £1 you give as a taxpayer), touch that button too. Thank you for your offering, however you give it.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Sept 10/11: The total for the Offertory collection was £617.54, of which £245 was Gift Aid and £372.54 not. The Catholic Education Services collection amounted to £391.66, of which £132.01 was Gift Aid and £259.65 not. A further £126.36 was paid in separately for the Comboni Fathers of which £86.36 was Gift Aid and £40.00 not. Many thanks to all who have contributed. MOVE TO TOP

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY:** Please pray for: Veronica Moor, Maithili, Chris Waring, Anesta McNichols, Pat Taylor, Anna Coppola, Martin Ford, Chris Jones, Albert Khayyat, Michael Edwards, Michael & Linda Watson, Leslie Jeyadeva, Judy Freegard, Margaret Bolton, Eddie Aldridge, Jean-Claude Anthony, Maureen Coffey, Patrick Acholonu, Christopher Onyeachom, Antelene Manley and sick residents at four local care homes.

**THANKSGIVING MASS – 10AM SUNDAY:** Thanksgiving Mass at 10am on 18th September for Mary Osei-Bobie. A very dear parishioner who many parishioners will remember with love. She returned to her home in Ghana and unfortunately couldn’t return due to Covid and there she died amongst her family. Her family here wanted to celebrate her life and her daughter Joana has organised this Thanksgiving Mass where all the attendees wear black and white. There will be refreshments after in the hall and the family would love to meet those of you who knew Mary Bobie (as we called her) so much.

**NEXT WEEKEND’S READERS & WRITERS:** The readers for next weekend are as follows: Saturday 6.30pm Deirdre Turner, Sunday 8am Malliga Baladasan, 10am Harriet Kelsal, 6.30pm Janet Adams. Bidding Prayers writers is Martin Baile.

**A PRESENTATION TO FR ROY:** To mark Fr Roy’s five years as parish priest, there will be a reception, sharing table and presentation in the hall following a Mass at 2pm on Sunday October 9. All are invited. If you would like to contribute, please put your offering in one of the dedicated envelopes available at all Masses from today (Sunday 18th) and either post it through the presbytery letterbox or hand to Deacon Philip. There will be a collection for Fr Roy at all Masses next weekend. A parish greeting card is also being organised.

**AUTUMN CHARITY FAYRE – Sunday 23rd October 11 to 1pm:** We will need lots of good things for the stalls, such as, bottles;  jewellery; plants; nearly new bric-a-brac; handicrafts; homemade cakes; sweets and cosmetics. No books or DVDs this year. Please leave your donations in the box at the back of the church.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE: WHAT HAPPENED:** An evening of recollection, videos, photographs and stories will take place at the UCM meeting on October 5 at 7:30pm. All are invited, male and female alike. Come and find out about our pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela in Spain and Fatima in Portugal.

**COLLECT YOUR RED MISSION BOX:** These are ready for collection from the back of the church. If you would like to have one for loose change to help the missions, contact Deacon Philip.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING:** The Macmillan Coffee Morning organised by the UCM will take place in the hall on Friday the 23rd from 10am till noon. Please donate raffle prizes (you can hand them in to any UCM committee member) and homemade cakes (bring them on the day). Everyone is welcome on the 23rd. For more details and to donate online visit <https://thyg.uk/BUS007399592>

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:** Divorced or separated? This residential weekend will help you heal. It is being held from October 14-16 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. Details: 01322 838415 or email [johnabrotherton@gmail.com](mailto:johnabrotherton@gmail.com)

**ONE, TWO, THREE:** We need volunteers to help with counting the Sunday Offertory collection. The counting takes places on Monday morning. A rota is being drawn up so that volunteers can take it in turns, perhaps doing the job once a month. More details from Deacon Philip.

**SEASON OF CREATION:** Following Pope Francis’s World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on September 1, we are now into the Season of Creation. Lasting until October 4, it is a period when we are asked to pray for the protection of creation. To find out more, visit the website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/UK-news/Celebrate-World-Day-of-Prayer>

**ST MARY’S HIGH SCHOOL:** This summer St Mary's celebrated the best set of exam results in the school's 171 years of continued service to the Croydon Catholic community. Well done, all students and staff. Open evening: Thursday (the 15th), 5-7pm. Open mornings: Monday and Tuesday 19th/20th, and October 3/4, all 9-10:30am

**DON’T FORGET THE VINE FOOD BANK:** Most-needed items are Tuna, Milk, Pasta Sauce, Baked Beans, Jam, Toilet Roll, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Veg, Cereal, Biscuits and Coffee. Thank you for your ongoing support. Collection boxes are under the table in the porch. See the noticeboard or parish website for a rota of deliveries to the food bank itself.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION PRESENTERS:** Job vacancy: a married couple, both being practising Catholics, to present 6 courses a year in various locations in South London and Kent, as well as providing cover in case of colleagues' illness. Salary: £30,000 pro rata (£7,000) for the couple. Mileage paid in addition. All training given. For full job description and further details, please contact [liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk) Closing date 14/10/22.