

UGANDA MARTYRS DAY

We will celebrate our patronal feast of the Uganda Martyrs on **Sun. 29th June, 2014 at 3 pm.**

Please keep time and plan accordingly.

We are also invited to join the **Okusinza mu Luganda** Community at Waterloo for the Bajulizi celebration on **1st June, 2014 at 3pm.**



*UMCC advocates Love,
Peace and Friendship*

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happy birthday to all!

Georgina Nnaluyange 3rd

Nikita Ttendo 09th

Athanasius Buwule
Kanyike 20th

Peggy Zawedde 28th

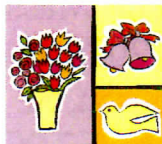
Goretti Nnanfuka 31st

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr Eliab & Mrs Annet
Ssentongo 5.5.83 = 31 yrs

Mr Tony & Mrs JULIE T
Mukiibi 19.5.2001 = 13 yrs

**Congratulations, long live
and happy marriage!**

FOR OUR SICK MEMBERS

**We pray for all the members
of our community who are
unwell. May the Lord of life
touch and heal them.**



Uganda Martyrs Catholic Community

"In Faith We Grow"

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE**OUR REASON FOR CHRISTIAN HOPE**

Dear Brethren,

It is naturally frightening to know you are dying any time. It's hard to remain calm and composed while you stare death in the face. It's not easy to find the right words to say farewell to your loved ones before you die. This is why many people are scared of making their last will. Only brave and courageous people do make their last will well in time before death.

In today's gospel reading, Jesus was at the Last Supper, sharing his last intimate meal with his disciples. He was calm and composed as he made his last will to them. He could see they were worried and frightened about the future, knowing he was soon departing. He reassured them that all would be well: **"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me"** (Jn 14:1). He promised them an Advocate, the Holy Spirit of truth who would teach and remind them all that he had taught them. His Spirit would console and comfort them during his physical absence. He promised them he would not leave them as orphans and that he would remain with them in and through the Holy Spirit. But all this was based on the condition that they keep his commandments and also love him (John 14:15-21).

This is a message of hope for the Christian believer. We have not seen Christ in person. But we believe he is alive and lives in us through the Holy Spirit who is within and among us. We live and thrive on Christian hope. This is why St. Peter exhorts us thus: **"Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have"** (1Peter 3:15).

I am sure many people who do not belong to our faith question why we do what we do as we try to profess our faith. People must ask why we take time to come to church to pray, praise and worship. For us believers, it is our secret; the secret of Christian hope in the Risen Christ who revealed the Father to us and who lives within us through the Holy Spirit.

As we prepare for **Ascension** and **Pentecost**, let us ask the Lord to send us his Spirit of power and truth to remain with us and support us during our faith journey. May the Holy Spirit confirm our faith, renew our hope and deepen our love.

Fr. Gerard M. Balinnya

UMCC Chaplain

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Weep not for what you have lost, fight for what you have.

Weep not for what is dead, fight for what was born in you.

Weep not for the one who abandoned you, fight for who is with you.

Weep not for those who hate you, fight for those who want you.

Weep not for your past, fight for your present struggle.

Weep not for your suffering, fight for your happiness.

With things that are happening to us, we begin to learn that nothing is impossible to solve as long as we have a firm faith, a reason to hope for the best and a love that endures.



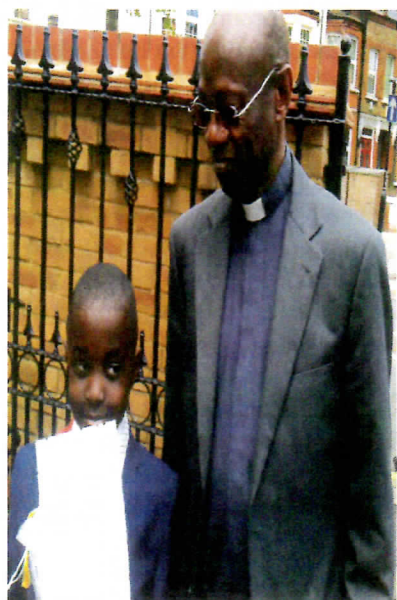
This is a season for celebrating the Sacrament of the Eucharist for our children.

On 10th May
CLIVE MARIO
HILLS,

ANGEL
WALUGEMBE
(centre, picture on
right) and CARL
HILLS (extreme
right) received their
First Holy Commun-



ion at St. Stephen's and St. Nicholas Church, Manor Park. They are seen with family and friends in the above picture (left). Congratulations and wish you God's blessings on your faith journey.



On the left is SAVIO KEVIN LUBEGA

He received his First Holy Communion on 10th May at Walthamstow. He is son of Clare Mugumya of Chingford.



TERRIE JO SSEBAGGALA (right), is daughter of Mr. Robert and Mrs Alice Ssebaggala. She received her First Holy Communion at Christ the King Church, Cockfosters on 11th May, 2014 during a very colourful celebration. We congratulate and pray for them all to grow in faith.



OBITUARY



ZAM NAALONGO NALU-MANSI (R.I.P)

The late Zam Naalongo (holding a baby) was the mother of Mrs. MARIA FATIMA SSEKALEMBE of West Green Road. The deceased was laid to rest in Bujuuko -Mawokota, Mpigi district. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

1948- 05.04.2014

MRS MARY OCANA (died: 9.05.2014)

The late was mother of Lawrence Kiwanuka and several other siblings. She passed away 9th May after a battle with cancer. Her funeral Mass will take place on 29th May, 2014 at 10 am, @ St. Anthony's Church, St. Anthony's Road, Forest Gate, E7 9QB. May her soul rest in peace.

We remember especially those who have passed away recently and we extend our condolences to the bereaved.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.