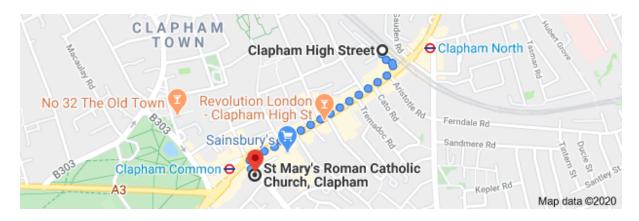


Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London Livery Committee

Private Visit to
St. Mary's Church, Monastery and Ace of Clubs
8 Clapham Park Road, London SW4 7AP
Wednesday 5th June 2024 at 11.15am

This is a private visit to St Mary's Church, officially Our Immaculate Lady of Victories, a Grade II-listed Roman Catholic church in Clapham, South London and a visit to the attached monastery and the Ace of Clubs (a charity for the socially deprived and homeless), followed by an informal lunch in the monastery gardens. The monastery and gardens are not normally open to members of the public.

The church is located on the corner of Clapham Park Road, less than a two-minute walk from Clapham Common tube station or ten-minutes' walk from Clapham High Street overground station. Several buses also stop nearby: 137, 155, 345, 37 50 and 88. Parking is limited to metered bays in adjoining St. Alphonsus Road or in Sainsbury's, a short walk away, although there may be parking for two or three vehicles in the monastery grounds by special arrangement.



We will meet at 11.15 for 11.30am in the church courtyard and be guided throughout our visit. It is anticipated that we will finish between 1.30 and 2pm. We will visit the beautiful St. Mary's Church and learn of its history and the monastery, including seeing the private chapel where monks have celebrated mass for over a 100-years.

The cost of the event is £40 which includes lunch and a small donation to the church. Additional voluntary donations to the church or Ace of Clubs are discretionary. This is a rare opportunity to visit the monastery and its chapels and gardens. Numbers are limited to fifteen and early expressions of interest are invited; places will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

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To book your place(s) by Wednesday 29th May 2024 please:

- Log in to the Members' Area of the Apothecaries website and book through the Society's GoCardless system (as you would for a Society Dinner)
- Any problems booking in this way, please contact Beci who will be happy to assist: events@apothecaries.org

And

 E-mail Dilip Joshi at <u>dilipjoshi@me.com</u> to confirm your attendance and notify him of any dietary or other special requirements. Please also include your mobile telephone number for communication on the day.

(please note, there is limited parking within monastery grounds, so please share, if possible)

Notes:

St. Mary's RC Church website: https://stmarys-clapham.org.uk/



Copiosa apud eum redemption (With him is plentiful redemption)

The Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Latin: Congregatio Sanctissimi Redemptoris; CSsR) commonly known as the Redemptorists, is a religious congregation of the Catholic Church, dedicated to missionary work and founded by Alphonsus Liguori, near Amalfi, Italy. Members of the congregation are Catholic priests and consecrated religious brothers and minister in more than 100 countries. The Order of the Most Holy Redeemer (Latin: Ordo Sanctissimi Redemptoris; OSsR),

also commonly known as the Redemptoristines, is a female contemplative religious order of the Catholic Church. It was formed in 1731 and is the female counterpart to the Redemptorists.

Ace of Clubs website: http://aceofclubs.org.uk/?LMCL=a8AUuh

The Ace of Clubs is a small charity founded by the Redemptorists 29-years ago providing meals and a range of activities. Facing unprecedented demand, we provide more than 170 hot meals daily and continued to operate during the pandemic when other centres were closed whilst following government rules of social distancing and using PPE to protect staff and clients. The Ace of Clubs has featured in the Andrew Marr Sunday show and BBC's Famous, Rich and Homeless.