

# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Remembrance Sunday - (Year C)

## Mass Times and Intentions:

*Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT*

### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

6.15pm (Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November)

Christopher Nawrat RIP

8.30am Deceased members of Council 266 of

The Knights of St Columba, Streatham

10.00am People of the parish

11.30am All those who died in wars

(Uniformed groups in attendance)

(Plainchant Choir singing)

**3.00pm – Blessing of graves at**

**Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Road**

**4.00pm Rosary & Benediction**

5.00pm Karen Moody & John Gooding RIP

### Thirty third week in Ordinary Time:

*Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November -*

7.30am Thanksgiving – Kenneth Owuekwe

10.00am Welfare of Erna and Barry Breese

*Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November*

7.30am Albert Rego RIP

10.00am Mark Addison RIP

*Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November –*

7.30am Rev George Helsdon, former Parish

Priest of St Bartholomew's (Foundation Mass)

10.00am Helen Windust RIP

*Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November -*

7.30am Antonio Procaccino RIP

10.00am Hervé Yoo Foo RIP

*Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November*

7.30am Antonio & Michelina Paone RIP

10.00am Stella Chok Wing RIP

*Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November*

*Our Lady*

10.00am Welfare of Sister Basilia Ezike & the

community of the Daughters of Divine Love

*Next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November –*

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

*(Extraordinary Year of Mercy officially closes)*

6.15pm (Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November)

Ian Dallas RIP

8.30am Helen Whitcombe RIP

10.00am Michael Linehan RIP

11.30am Deceased members of St Bart's

Choirs (Polyphony Choir singing)

**4.00pm Rosary & Benediction**

5.00pm Mick Lynch RIP

**Daily Mass & Prayer:**

\***Mass: Mon – Fri: 7.30am**

\***Morning Prayer of the Church**

Mon - Sat **9.15am**

\***Adoration & Benediction.**

Mon – Sat **9.30am**

\***Mass: Mon – Sat 10.00am**

\***Rosary: Mon – Sat 10.30am**

\***Confessions:**

**Saturday, after 10.00am Mass, until**

**11.00am; then in the afternoon from 5.00pm**

**to 6.00pm, & at call, when a priest is available.**

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**Thank you for your continuous generosity:**

**Last weekend's collection came to £1741.00**

(£1143.00 -Baskets; £598.00-Standing Orders)

**We welcome back Canon Joseph Collins**

**who will be celebrating the 10.00am and**

**11.30am Masses today.**

**We also welcome members of all our**

**uniformed groups who will be parading at**

the 11.30am Mass in honour of those who

have died in war. The Last Post will be

sounded, followed by Reveille.

Meanwhile, **John Byrne** will be attending the

Civic Ceremony at Streatham Common War

Memorial, this morning, at which he will lay a

wreath on behalf of St Bartholomew's.

**Today** there will be a **Second Collection** for the

**Archbishop's fund for Diocesan Administration.**

Money raised goes towards the costs of the central

administration of our archdiocese. Gift Aid givers

have a special envelope in their boxes.

Alternatively, kindly use a spare/emergency one,

marking it clearly for that collection.

**Next Sunday**, there will be a **second collection** for

the **Catholic Youth Services**. This is taken to

support Youth Work in the archdiocese and beyond,

especially our own Southwark Catholic Youth

Service (SCYS). Gift Aiders will have a special

envelope for this. Otherwise, just use a spare

envelope or pick up an emergency one, marking it

accordingly and adding your Gift Aid number.

### CLERGY SUPPORT FUND CAMPAIGN

Archbishop Peter Smith would like every

Catholic in the Diocese to have an opportunity

to hear about the needs of sick and retired

priests, and how you can lend your support to

this fundraising campaign to raise £4.5m over

the next four years.

If you completed a Contact Card last week,

you will receive a personal invitation to a

presentation together with details of the times

of the presentations, which will take place in

February 2017 in our parish hall. Cards are

being distributed again at all Masses this

weekend, so that everyone who would like to

know more about the needs of our sick and

retired priests will have an opportunity to do

so. Only one card need be completed per

family, as provision will be made for other

family members to attend. Please hand in your

completed card as directed by the priest at

Mass. Members of our Clergy Support

Campaign Team will be on hand to assist.

Thank you.

**Coffee morning** – none this weekend.

**Next Sunday**, the Children's Liturgy

Group will hold a **Coffee Morning** after

the **10.00am** Mass only. Please bring

along cakes (from 9.00am) which can be

sold on the morning. Funds will be going

to **Nightwatch**. All are welcome.

### Rota for Coffee Mornings 2017

Any individual, family or parish group wishing

to book the hall for Coffee mornings next year,

kindly contact the parish office to confirm

availability of dates. If there is a good cause

for which you would like to raise funds, this

might be a good opportunity for you to do so.

### First Holy Communion Dates

Dates allocated to each child are on

display on the right hand notice board in

the main porch. Would parents kindly

check the spelling of names and report any

changes to the parish office. Letters to

parents will then be issued for collection

on the first weekend in December. Please

look out for yours.

### URGENT CALL FOR CATECHISTS

Former Catechists are asked to get in touch

with us to volunteer their help prepare our

candidates for First Holy Communion and

Confirmations for 2017. We still

desperately need extra people in order to

run successful programmes, which are

currently being prepared for both these

vital Sacraments, **most particularly for**

**the First Holy Communion programme.**

If you might be able to help us, please see

Fr Deo or Fr Paul, or contact Teresa

Furtado regarding First Holy

Communion, or Deacon Ged Perkins

regarding Confirmations.

**We welcome into the Church,**

**Tyrell Jen Clement Sawney-Francis**

who was Baptised here last Sunday.

**During this month dedicated to the Holy**

**Souls, our Book of Remembrance will**

**be situated beneath the main altar as**

**usual. Please write in the names of**

**those Faithful Departed for whom you**

**would like prayers to be offered up at**

**Masses during November.**

**In the coming week:**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup>** – the UCM meet in the

Upper Hall from 2.0pm to 4.00pm.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>** – **Baptism Course**

At 8.00pm for those who have signed up.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>** – **Fr Paul** returns.

### **Sick and Housebound**

*If you know of anybody who is sick or housebound, or in a care home, who is unable to come to Mass, and who would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation or Anointing or a Blessing, please contact the parish office.*

#### **Please pray for our sick and housebound:**

Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiére, Anita Blaquiére, Barry Breese, Frances Caulfield, Fr Gerald Coates, Raffaella Forte, Rachel Gadd, Eamon Gillespie, Elaine Gunther, Anne Harris, Agnes Healy, Joan Huie, Felix Isichei, Mary Kenny, Gladys Laskey, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Jose Mcmillan, Michael Madigan, Ajitha Mahatantila, George Meyern, Mary Meyern, Edgar Ming, Peter Ranawake, Marion Robertson, Joe Ryan, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Maggie Sunich, Edythe Thirlwall, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Charmaine Wise, Georgette Yoo Foo.

### **Church Cleaning: Group 5 this week:**

Elizabeth Ayoola, Kelly Bello, Sandra Hodgson, Tigist Mamo, Emma Morrone, Livia Pappano, Amanda Squires, Maria Verrilli.

*Please could you give up some time to help clean the church? Thanks to those who have recently come forward. However, we really do still need more kind souls to help out!*

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION:**

*Application forms may be collected from the porch. The next course takes place as a double session on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 only. All those who have already booked have been contacted. Do keep an eye out for January 2017 dates.*

### **The Repository**

As you will see, the Repository is now open. The carpet has finally been fitted and Christmas stock is now in. Many thanks to you all for bearing with us during the long process following all the flooding we had. Everything is now back to normal!

### **LOST PROPERTY**

We have a number of seasonal items, including hats, a scarf, umbrella, books and glasses. Please check to see if anything is yours. Anything left by the end of the month will be disposed of.

### **Youth Club 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Former members are invited to a celebration proposed for Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Please contact Eddie on 020 8333 0690.

### **Streatham St Bart's Chamber Orchestra**

The Orchestra will give a concert at Virgo Fidelis Church on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Please see poster for full details.

**Towards Advent 2016** - a Festival of Catholic Culture is being held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November in Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue London SW1 1QJ from 10am. Over 30 organisations will be attending and it is an opportunity for them to give an insight into their activities and they will also have many articles for sale. Admission is free. In addition some talks and workshops will be given during the event. Further details are available on '[towardsadvent@blogspot.com](mailto:towardsadvent@blogspot.com)'

**The Pilgrim:** Please pick up a free copy of our Diocesan Newspaper from the porch. This is a very valuable source of information on what has happened and is due to happen in our archdiocese, as well as some useful information regarding various aspects of our faith

### **Fr Francis Lynch – Silver Jubilee – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

Fr Francis, who previously served in this parish, invites you to attend a Mass in celebration of his Silver Jubilee as a Priest, on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 6.30pm at St Gertrude's South Bermondsey, SE16 2BB. Mass will be celebrated in the Latin old rite. The parish Mass will be held at 6.30pm on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2016, followed by entertainment in St Gertrude's parish hall. If interested, please call Fr Francis on 020 3417 3515.

### **Our Parish Website – Important News!**

Should our website be inaccessible, the Polyphony choir is kindly hosting the newsletter for us. Please go to: [www.polychoir.co.uk](http://www.polychoir.co.uk) and click on "Newsletter" at the top of their home page.

**Our brand new website is now nearing completion. The leaders of all parish groups have been contacted for a second time in respect of having a page on the web site. If you have not received such an email, but believe that you should have been included, kindly contact the Parish Office without delay, as the deadline was in fact set for this weekend. Regrettably, only a few groups have so far responded to our request for submissions in respect of having pages on the web site. Please don't leave this until the last minute. A great deal of work has gone into setting up this valuable resource for St Bartholomew's. Do please help to make our new web site one which is really relevant to the life of our parish!**

### **SPEAK UP FOR CAFOD:**

Would you like to brush up your public speaking skills and learn how you can help CAFOD by speaking in your parish and/or other parishes? Please join our free 'Speaking Up for CAFOD' workshop on Saturday 26 November 10am-4pm at Romero House (near Southwark Cathedral). To book your place call us on 020 8449 6970 or email: [westminster@cafod.org.uk](mailto:westminster@cafod.org.uk).

### **ANNUAL BLESSING OF GRAVES**

#### **AT STREATHAM PARK CEMETERY, ROWAN ROAD**

This will take place **this afternoon**. Please gather promptly at **3pm** for our short service of readings, hymns, prayers and general blessing of graves. Our brethren from St Bede's, Clapham Park will be joining us for this event. Please use the car park if driving. To find us, please walk straight down the road leading from the entrance. At the very end, turn left and assemble close to the new tombs. **Do come dressed for poor weather, as it may well be cold, wet and muddy.** There will be a lot of traffic in the cemetery, so please keep off the road as far as possible, and kindly follow any directions to move whenever cars need to pass. Dependent on weather, light and time, those priests present will accompany people to the graves of loved ones to perform individual blessings. However, please be aware that the priests from Clapham Park are coming primarily to attend to the faithful departed of their own parish. Fr Deo will concentrate on our own parishioners. He intends to proceed **clockwise** around the perimeter path, starting from the site of our service. Please consider the priests, not all of whom are quite as agile as they used to be, but who will do their best to bless individual graves, and who then have to return to say evening Mass. Please do not feel disappointed if circumstances do not permit any particular graves to be blessed. **Please be mindful of the fact that darkness falls very quickly.** NB: **The cemetery closes at 4pm.**

### **Becoming a Catholic.**

Do you know anybody who has expressed an interest in the Catholic Faith? Perhaps you have discussed it with a friend or neighbour. Maybe you have been visiting our church, thinking about joining us, and would now like to take the next step towards becoming a Catholic. The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) team will shortly be holding an introductory meeting. Please contact either of the priests or the Parish office as soon as possible.

### **Catholic School Open Days &**

#### **Job opportunities in the Catholic sphere.**

Please see the special yellow folder in the porch for information.

**Gift Aid givers: Have you considered giving by Standing Order? Please DO NOT use out of date envelopes.** If you have not received envelopes for the current year, please contact us urgently. **Please DO NOT use a Gift Aid envelope if you have ceased to give by Gift Aid, even if you cross out the number.** It is important that only currently registered Gift Aid givers use envelopes. Please contact the Gift Aid team or the parish office.