

St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 2nd December 2018

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 2nd December 2018

First Sunday of Advent

6.15pm (Saturday 1st December 2018)

Cesare Verilli RIP

8.30am Eugene Lopez RIP

10am People of the parish

11.30am Fr Michael Jones

(40th Anniversary of his Ordination)

(Polyphony Choir singing)

4pm Benediction

5pm Mary Durkin RIP

First week of Advent:

Monday 3rd December 2018

St Francis Xavier, Priest (Memorial)

7.30am Thanksgiving – Rebello family

10am Dominic Mascarenhas RIP

Tuesday 4th December 2018

7.30am Jeannette Coyle

10am Albert Rego RIP (birthday)

Wednesday 5th December 2018

7.30am William Blase Rebello RIP

10am Richard Cottom RIP

Thursday 6th December 2018

7.30am Intentions of David Roberts

10am Fr Michael Jones

Friday 7th December 2018

St Ambrose, Bishop and

Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

7.30am Della Powell RIP

10am Veronica & Hilary Nwabueze

Saturday 8th December 2018

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

10am Charmaine Shali

Next Sunday 9th December 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

6.15pm (Saturday 8th December 2018)

Giovanni Doto RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am William (Bill) Chapman RIP

11.30am Joe McNamara RIP

4pm Benediction

5pm SVP Intention

Daily Mass & Prayer

***Mass:** Monday - Friday: **7.30am**

***Morning Prayer of the Church**

Monday – Saturday: **9.15am**

***Adoration & Benediction.**

Monday – Saturday: **9.30am**

***Mass:** Monday – Saturday: **10am**

***Rosary:** Monday – Saturday: **10.30am**

***Confessions:**

**Saturday, after 10am Mass, until 11am;
then in the afternoon from 5pm to 6pm.**

(and at call, if a priest is available.)

Parish Mass Book: This Sunday P.82

Friday P.300

Thank you for your continued generosity:

Last weekend's collection came to £1705.00

(£1055.00 Baskets; £650.00 Standing Orders).

You also gave **£538.00** to the **Southwark Catholic Youth Service** collection.

LIFE thank you for the sum of **£106.00** raised

at last Sunday's Coffee Morning. This has been sent to Zoe's Place Children's Hospice.

Please see: www.zoes-place.org.uk

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

You are invited to join members of the

Knights of St Columba and the

Streatham Common Association

around the KSC Crib at the bottom of Streatham Common, for the SCA Carol

Service, which will be held on

Wednesday 5th December 2018 at 7pm.

The KSC place their crib on the common every year, as they have done for decades,

in the only public location within our parish where you are likely to see such a beautiful remembrance of Christ's birth.

KSC CHRISTMAS POSTERS

Another aspect of the work of the KSC is the provision of Christmas Posters.

These will be available on the weekend of 15th & 16th December 2018.

The Knights will be distributing them, and ask that you make an offering towards the Seminary Fund, which provides essential

money to help in training of future clergy. You will also notice that there is a poster

in the main porch which asks you to donate towards the refurbishment of the Seminary accommodation. Please give whatever you can afford.

Please pray for our Sick and Housebound Parishioners:

Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake,

Alan Blaquiére, Anita Blaquiére,

Barry Breese, Erna Breese,

Frances Caulfield, Jean Cowie,

Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude,

Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte,

Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco,

Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther,

Anna Harris, Agnes Healy,

Evelyn Hyland, Baby Scarlett Kurowski,

David Lacey, Eileen McCarthy

Elsie McCleave, James McDonald,

Breda McDonagh, Michael Madigan,

Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas,

Ruby Mendez, Mary Meyern,

Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose,

Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott,

Christine Shaughnessy,

Tony Tambirasa, Edythe Thirlwall,

Monica Vergara, Mary White,

Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch,

John Windsor, Charmaine Wise,

Georgette Yoo Foo, Tony Zammit.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Of your charity, please pray for the happy repose of the soul of

Lilian (Lily) Armstrong,

of Norbury Avenue, who died on Saturday 25th November 2018.

Lilian's funeral will take place here on Thursday 13th December 2018 at 10am.

WELCOME

We welcome into the family of the Catholic Church,

Alexandra Veronica Ndou,

who was Baptised here last Sunday.

ADVENT PASTORAL LETTER

His Grace Archbishop Peter Smith's Pastoral Letter for Advent will be read at all Masses today. The letter is also available on the parish web site.

Please ask at the parish office if you would like a paper copy.

Church Cleaning: Group 3 this week please:

Jeannette Da Silva, Brigid Griffin, Joyce Ippoliti,
Berni Knight, Christiana Muoghalu,
Antoinette Nwanoneze, Blessing Oтите.

To join our cleaners, please contact the Parish Office.

CONFIRMATION 2019

Today is the deadline to submit completed forms.

ROTA

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to provide availability for Christmas 2018 and January 2019 by Wednesday.

THE PILGRIM

The December issue will be available next weekend. Please consider an offering to cover our costs.

HALL ENTRY FOBS

There is now a new fob entry unit for the hall. Please would ALL key holders arrange to call at the Parish Office as soon as possible, in order to exchange their old fob for a new one.

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY

Budding actors and actresses, singers and narrators are needed for this year's Nativity Tableau, to be produced by the Children's Liturgy Group. This takes place on Christmas Eve at 6pm, followed by the Children's Mass at 6.15pm. Rehearsal will be Saturday 22nd December 2018 from 3pm – 4.30pm in the church, with costumes being provided that afternoon. Roles are for children of school nursery age to year 3; Carol singers and narrators from year 4 upwards. Please email Linda Harries on: l.harries@gmail.com or call her on 07770 623230 by 14th December 2018.

BARTS SENIORS CHARITY RAFFLE

Tickets available at £1.00 each after Masses today. The draw takes place on 14th December 2018.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND READINGS WITH THE POLYPHONY CHOIR AND ST BART'S BRASS

This annual event, an integral part of our parish preparation for Christmas, will take place on Sunday 16 December 2018 at 2.30pm in the church. Entry will be by Programme only at a cost of just £3.00. These will be available from the Repository, from Choir members and on the door before the concert begins. Do come along to hear the choir singing and take in the exhilaration of the brass instruments and listen to the Word of God in the readings. This event provides a wonderful opportunity for you to immerse yourself prayerfully in the true meaning of Christmas. We hope that as many as possible will come along. There will be a retiring collection for the benefit of the SVP. Do join us for mulled wine and mince pies in the hall afterwards. Programmes will be available shortly.

A DAY WITH MARY

Saturday 15th December 2018 at Sacred Heart, Wimbledon. Please see the poster in the porch.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS CATALOGUE

Please take a catalogue and consider helping those less fortunate than yourself by buying them a specific gift, which will be delivered on your behalf by CAFOD.

ALTAR SERVING AT CHRISTMAS

Please would Altar Servers sign up for Christmas Masses on the posters in the Sacristy. Please note that we need Servers for the Christmas Eve Family Mass at 6.15pm as well as Midnight Mass. The usual Morning Masses will take place on Christmas Day, which will be on a Tuesday this year. Please note that there will be NO Benediction or 5pm Mass on Christmas Day. Practices, in each case lasting 30 minutes will be held as follows:

For Family Mass - Sunday 23rd December at 6.00pm
For Midnight Mass - Sunday 23rd December at 6.30pm
There will also be a Midnight Mass on New Year's Eve. (no practice, but please arrive for 11.30pm to prepare.)

CTS

Advent and Christmas pamphlets are in place. The CTS "10 Minute Diary" and the hugely popular CTS Calendar for 2019 are also still available from the Repository.

DEFIBRILLATORS AND FIRST AID KITS

You will notice to the far side of the gallery entrance in the church that there is now a defibrillator and a first aid kit. The same may also both be found in the foyer of the hall. Defibrillators may be used by any hearing person, and will talk you clearly through the procedure required.

They must NOT be used on any child under 5.

It is absolutely essential that these devices should never be touched or ever removed from their cabinets except when needed. All hall users are asked to continue to ensure that those in their care NEVER open or play around with this life-saving and indeed most expensive equipment. This policy also applies to fire extinguishers, which should NEVER have the plastic holding tags removed, except when extinguishers actually have to be used.



ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The Diocesan Spirituality Commission has produced a series of short e-mails to help us focus on what Advent is really about.

To sign up, please visit: www.southwarkdsc.org.uk