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Sunday 2nd February 2020

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

(Yr A)

Mass Times and Intentions: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, Candlemas (Feast) (Parish Mass Book – Page 297) 6.15pm (1st February 2020) John Maguire RIP

8.30am Intentions of Martin & Lydia
D'Mello and family

10am David, Peter & Bill Chapman RIP (Free Coffee Morning after this Mass) 11.30am People of the parish (Polyphony Choir singing)

1pm Polish Mass

Jan & Adela Adamiec RIP

4pm Benediction

5pm Fr Edeghonghon John Ehichioya RIP

Fourth Week in Ordinary Time (Yr 2) Monday 3rd February 2020 St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial) BLESSING OF THROATS WILL TAKE PLACE DURING MASSES.

7.30am Intentions of the Maduka family Thanksgiving Novena 10am Aline Alride RIP

Tuesday 4th February 2020 7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Nora & Miah Moynihan RIP

Wednesday 5th February2020 St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial) 7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Gerard Kearney RIP

Thursday 6th February 2020 St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial) 7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Eileen McCarthy RIP

Friday 7th February 2020 FIRST FRIDAY

7.30am Intentions of Elizabeth Wright 10am UCM intention

FOLLOWED BY A DORATION

FOLLOWED BY ADORATION UNTIL BENEDICTION AT 2PM

8pm Intentions of Maggie Douglas

Saturday 8th February 2020 St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin (Memorial)

Day for Victims of Trafficking
10am Intentions of the Maduka family
Thanksgiving Novena

Next Sunday 9th February 2020 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A) (Parish Mass Book – Page 133) 6.15pm (Saturday 8th February 2020)

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People of the parish
8.30am The Holy Souls
10am Those affected by the Coronavirus

11.30am Confirmation Mass of

Enrolment and Commitment 4pm Benediction

5pm Ronald Francis RIP

*Mass: Monday – Friday @ 7.30am *Morning Prayer of the Church: Monday – Saturday @ 9.15am *Adoration & Benediction: Monday – Saturday @ 9.30am

*Mass: Monday – Saturday @ 10am *Mass: Friday @ 8pm

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

Saturdays, after 10am Mass, until 11am; Then from 5pm to 6pm. (and at call, if a priest is available.)

THANKYOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY Collection for last week: Sunday 26th January 2020 - £1829.00 (Including Standing Orders of £650.00

THANKS FROM LIFE

You helped raise £285.00 at last Sunday's Coffee Morning. The proceeds have been sent to Zoe's Place Children's Hospice and not LIFE HQ as advertised before. See: www.zoes-place.org.uk/Liverpool

Next weekend there will be a **Second**Collection for Racial Justice. This is to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society. Pope Francis urges us in particular to celebrate the contribution made to the Church in England and Wales by the Travelling Communities. You are invited to take a flyer from the porch. Please DO NOT use Gift Aid envelopes, as we cannot claim Gift Aid on this collection.

FREE COFFEE MORNING TODAY after the 10am Mass in the hall.

This is organised and provided by the parish Social Committee.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK, UNDERGOING TREATMENT, OR ARE HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane. Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude, Delphine Fernandes. Teresa Florek-Smail, Michael Fogarty, Raffaela Forte, Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Evelyn Hyland, Baby Scarlett Kurowski, Joseph Lunn, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Michael Madigan, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas,

Ruby Mendez, Mary Meyern,
Sheila Newman, Thomas Pereira,
Sheila Price, Parwar Saib,
Frederic Saint-Rose,
Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott,

Charmaine Shali, Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail, Eileen Spencer Fr David Standley, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Mary Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Gail Wilson, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell,

Georgette Yoo Foo, Tony Zammit.

RECENTLY DECEASED Of your charity, please pray for the

happy repose of the souls of:
Peter Fleming, husband of Phyllis,
Fleming, formerly of Briar Avenue.
Peter died on 23rd January.

Mgr Anthony George Stark,
Prot.Ap, KCHS. Monsignor Stark was
the Master of the Guild of Our Lady of
Ransom. He died on 8th January.
Our condolences and prayers as a parish
go out to the families.

THE PILGRIM

Please take a copy of the February edition of our Archdiocesan newspaper. Please consider making an offering to cover our costs using the wall box in the main porch, marked 'newspapers & CTS'.

THE YEAR OF THE WORD "THE GOD WHO SPEAKS"

Please see the posters and handouts regarding this initiative of Pope Francis, which has been taken up by the Bishops of England and Wales as announced in Archbishop John's letter last Sunday.

Full information is on our Archdiocesan Web Site: http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/2020Word.htm

In the coming week:

Church Cleaning - Group 5 please.

If you have volunteered for church cleaning, but have not yet heard back, kindly contact the Parish Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020 TWO EVENTS WITHIN FOUR DAYS

First Reconciliation will take place this coming Wednesday 5th February in the church at 7pm. This will consist of a short service of Reconciliation, followed by First Confessions.

Parents and guardians should accompany their children. Please arrive in good time for a prompt start.

Session 5, "Glory to God in the Highest" takes place next Saturday 8th February at BTG school from 10am – 11am.

Information on our First Holy Communion programme is available on our Parish Web Site using the following link: https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/eucharistic-preparation.html

CONFIRMATION 2020 THREE EVENTS WITHIN FIVE DAYS

The 'Away Day' will be held next Saturday 8th February at BTG School from 11.30am to 2.30pm.

Candidates are asked to bring with them their folders, pens and, of course, a packed lunch.

Parents and guardians **MUST** complete the

<u>AWAY DAY CONSENT FORM</u> which was given to all candidates at the inaugural meeting on 29th January. This form **MUST** be handed in to the Parish Office no later

than Wednesday 5th February.

The Mass of Enrolment and Commitment will take place next Sunday 9th February at 11.30am.

All Candidates, parents and guardians should attend.

Session 2, 'The Person of Jesus' takes place on Wednesday 12th February at BTG School

from 7.30pm to 9pm. Parents and guardians are reminded that there will be a session for them at the same time. Please see the Confirmation link on our parish web site: There is also a special Confirmation Blog on the Web Site: https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/confirmation-blog-2020.html

PLANNED GIVING UPDATE

If you have amended your Standing Order online, please advise the Parish Office. The reason for this is that the account number quoted in the leaflet was incorrect.

We also have to add a unique reference to the form.

Please note that any new standing orders or amendments will not take effect until February, once they have been processed by the Gift Aid Team and the banks. If you give by Gift Aid, the parish can claim an extra 25% from HMRC, at no extra cost to you. You just need to sign a form. Please contact the Parish Office with any enquiries.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please use the Mass Intentions Envelopes provided. There is no fee for Masses. You are asked to make an offering, if you can afford to do so. As a guide, most people tend to offer £10.00.

Members of the Gift Aid scheme may Gift Aid their Mass Offerings.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES - IRISH NIGHT

Saturday 14th March. A truly Irish experience as close as we can get to St Patrick's Day itself. Keep the evening free! Watch out for further details in the coming weeks!

THE HALL

The Learning Cottage Nursery is now occupying both halls. If you are a keyholder who no longer uses the hall, and you have not yet responded to our requests to return your keys, kindly do so without further delay. The Upper Hall remains out of bounds at all times, though we shall continue to have the use of two of the upstairs rooms, for which access will be arranged in due course. The lower hall may only be accessed by approved keyholders during their agreed times, as we have certain obligations under our agreement with the nursery.

For safeguarding and security reasons, regardless of your DBS status, any access outside of agreed hours must first be arranged through the Parish Office, without exception.

HALL BOOKINGS

For bookings, please call **Low Cost Halls** on **01372 457651**. Please note that only the Lower Hall is available for hire. You will be able to make payment by credit or debit card.

GUILD OF ST STEPHEN MEDAL CEREMONY

We shall be enrolling new members into the Guild of St Stephen during the 10am Mass on Saturday 29th February.

If you think you should be receiving a medal, and you have been serving for at least a year, please add your name to the notice in the Sacristy. All servers are invited to attend this special Mass and renew their Guild promises.

MASS & CONFESSIONS IN POLISH

Confessions in Polish will be on Saturday 29th February at 3pm. The next Polish Mass will be on Sunday 1st March at 1pm.

MSZA I SPOWIEDŹ PO POLSKU

Spowiedź po polsku będzie w sobotę 29-go lutego o godzinie 3 po południu.

Następna Msza w języku polskim będzie w niedzielę

1-go marca o 1 po południu.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

This falls on Friday 6th March. The focus this year is on the indigenous people of the Amazon, who struggle to survive as the rainforest around them is, piece by piece, destroyed. Not only does this pose a threat to their homes, their very existence and their entire way of life, but the gradual destruction of the rainforest indirectly affects the whole planet. You are asked to consider making a personal sacrifice on CAFOD Lent Fast Day in support of our brothers and sisters in the Amazon. Envelopes are available now, giving you plenty of time to think and pray about this situation. Please take one home with you. Your donations will be collected on the weekend of 8th & 9th

March, when a short talk will be given at all Masses.
You may Gift Aid what you give, but to do this you must use the special slips which come as part of the envelopes. NB: You CANNOT use regular Gift Aid envelopes for this.