

# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Yr A)

## Mass Times and Intentions:

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A)*

*(Parish Mass Book – Page 139)*

6.15pm (Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020)

People of the parish

8.30am The Holy Souls

10am Tony Tambirasa RIP

(LIFE Coffee Morning after this Mass)

11.30am Dominic Cu Van Tran RIP

(Hymn Choir singing)

(LIFE Coffee Morning after this Mass)

**4pm Benediction**

5pm Intentions of Thelma,

Win & Jude Chime

## The end of Ordinary Time before Lent

*Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Intentions of the Maduka Family

Thanksgiving Novena

*Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

7.30am Thanksgiving – Mathias & Celsa

Menezes (25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

10am Kenneth Reynolds Thompson RIP

## THE SEASON OF LENT BEGINS

*Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

*(Parish Mass Book – Page 147)*

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am People of the parish

8pm People of the parish

*Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

*Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

7.30am Intentions of the Maduka Family

Thanksgiving Novena

10am Deceased members of the

Buckley Family (Foundation Mass)

**7.30pm Stations of the Cross**

8pm Tony Kamalagharan RIP

*Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

10am Thanksgiving – Mathias & Celsa

Menezes (25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

*Guild of St Stephen Mass for Altar*

*Servers, with medal ceremony*

*Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020*

*First Sunday of Lent (Yr A)*

*(Parish Mass Book – Page 151)*

6.15pm (Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020)

José Januario RIP (24<sup>th</sup> anniversary)

8.30am Canon Francis Moran RIP

10am Intentions of Erna Breese (birthday)

*(Free Coffee Morning after this Mass)*

11.30am Thanksgiving (Anna)

(Polyphony Choir singing)

1pm Polish Mass – Deceased members of

Cichosz, Adamiec & Dworuch families

**4pm Stations of the Cross**

**& Benediction**

5pm Dennis & Shiela O'Donoghue RIP

## 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**

\***Mass:** Friday @ **8pm**

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

\***Confessions:**

**Saturdays, after 10am Mass, until**

**11am; Then from 5pm to 6pm.**

**Also in Polish as announced**

and at call, when a priest is available.

**THANKYOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

**Collection for last week:**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 - £1874.00**

*(Including Standing Orders of £650.00\*\**

*\*\*NB: this figure is subject to change.)*

## POOR PARISHES

**Second Collection next Sunday.**

This is to help parishes in need, allowing

the Archbishop to make grants to them.

Gift Aiders, please use the dedicated blue

envelope for this collection.

## THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent commences with Ash Wednesday

this week. We shall have three Masses

on that day, during which ashes will be

distributed. Ash Wednesday is a day

of fasting and abstinence.

**LIFE COFFEE MORNING TODAY**

**After the 10am & 11.30am Masses.**

**Refreshments, sale of knitted goods and**

**a raffle. [www.life-charity.org.uk](http://www.life-charity.org.uk)**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE CURRENTLY ILL OR HOUSEBOUND**

Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,

Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,

Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,

Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie,

Octaviano D'Souza; Reeda D'Souza,

Audrey Draude, Delphine Fernandes,

Teresa Florek-Smail, Michael Fogarty,

Raffaella 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,

Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor,

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 soul of **Eileen Spencer**,

of Heatherset Gardens, who died

peacefully on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

Funeral details will follow shortly.

Also, **Father Jan Bak S.D.S.** who was

Parish Priest of St Michael's Pollards Hill

before the late Fr Huebert Miranda.

Father Jan died on 6<sup>th</sup> February, following

a long illness, having been Parish Priest

of St Dunstan's in Somerton, Somerset, in

the diocese of Clifton. His Requiem Mass

will take place at 12 Noon on

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at St Saviour's,

96 The Crescent, Abbots Langley,

Hertfordshire, WD5 0DS. His body will

then be taken to Poland for burial.

Our condolences and prayers as a parish

go out to the families.

**ROTAS FOR READERS AND  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY  
COMMUNION FOR EASTER.**

**Please do come forward now to help us to avoid a last-minute rush, and let us know your availability from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday inclusive:**  
**Palm Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> April – in particular, we need several readers for the Passion;**  
**Maundy Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 8pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper;**  
**Good Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 3pm – The Passion;**  
**Holy Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 8.30pm - Easter Vigil;**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday 8.30am, 10am & 11.30am only (NB: No 5pm)**  
**A short rota will cover the last two weeks of April.**

**In the coming week:**

**Church Cleaning – Group 2 please.**

**IRISH NIGHT - SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

There will be a traditional Bacon & Cabbage dinner, Irish Coffees will be available at the licensed bar. Music by Trixon Sound, with dancing too! Doors open at 7pm, with dinner at 7.30pm. Entry is by ticket only at just £20.00, from the Parish Office, or contact Maureen O'Donoghue on 07958 988959.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020**

**Session 6, "The Word of the Lord" Next Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February from 10am – 11am at BTG School.**

<https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/eucharistic-preparation.html>

**CONFIRMATION 2020**

**Visit to Norwood & Brixton Foodbank Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, from 10am – 12 Noon, for St Basil & St Charles groups.**

**Session 3, 'Gifts of the Holy Spirit' Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at BTG School from 7.30pm to 9pm.**

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>

**RCIA - RITE OF ELECTION AND  
CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION**

Please pray for those on our RCIA programme who are progressing towards becoming Catholics. They will be attending this event at St George's Cathedral, Southwark next Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February. This ceremony marks the beginning of the final stage of the journey of preparation for those following our RCIA programme, and it will be built upon by the 'Scrutinies' which will take place at various Sunday Masses on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent. During the Easter Vigil, our Catechumens, Nicholas, Claire and Aurelien will be Baptised, make their First Holy Communion and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Hiwot, who is already Baptised, will enter into full Communion with the Catholic Church at the same time and will also make her First Holy Communion and be Confirmed. Fr Deo will perform all these Sacraments, with the delegation of the Archbishop to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**PLANNED GIVING UPDATE**

For all those of you who have volunteered of your **Time and Talents**, work will soon commence on collating all the responses, so that you may be contacted by those in the parish who organise the various parish activities for which you have kindly put yourselves forward.

*If you have signed a new Standing Order for your offerings, please be aware that your bank may contact you to verify the details before they will begin making payments.*

*You will receive a small set of envelopes for the next tax year, which commences on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020; they are for second collections, which are not covered by your Standing Order.* 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.

**AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
All our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, including those newly commissioned, are invited by Fr Tomasz to attend

one of the following meetings, to be held in the church:

**Next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm OR**

**Next Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February, after the 6.15pm Mass.**

**Please ensure that you bring your Certificate with you.**

**HALL BOOKINGS**

Please call **Low Cost Halls** on **01372 457651**.

Please note that the Lower Hall only is available for hire, at weekends, with a few exceptions for parish activities. You will be able to make payment by credit or debit card.

**CAFOD LENT FAST DAY - FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

Please take an envelope from the porch, and bring it back with your contribution enclosed on the weekend of 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March. 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.**

**BIBLE STUDY COMMENCING IN LENT**

Father Tomasz will be leading Bible Study sessions on the theme of 'Salvation History – The Faithfulness of the Merciful God' on Monday evenings at 7.30pm from 2<sup>nd</sup> March until 6<sup>th</sup> April. Or you may choose to come on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm from 4<sup>th</sup> March until 1<sup>st</sup> April, with a final afternoon session before Easter on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April, also at 2pm.

All sessions will be held in the Retro Chapel. Please bring a Bible with you, preferably the RSV edition. By all means come equipped to make notes. Bible Study will continue after Easter.

**LENT AT CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL**

Ash Wednesday Mass will be at 12 Noon in the chapel.

Also Mass at 12 Noon each Monday during Lent.

**WELCOME**

We welcome into the family of the Catholic Church:

**Emmanuella Aboagyewaa Owusu Amoako**

**& Nathaniel Garnet Symons**

who were Baptised here last weekend.

**THE YEAR OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**"THE GOD WHO SPEAKS"**

Special Prayer Cards and A4 sized booklets are available in all porch areas. Please take one of each of these home with you. We shall say the dedicated prayer at all Masses throughout this year.

Please see: <http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/2020Word.htm>