St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 31st October 2021

London SW16 5DE

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 31st October 2021

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS 6.15pm (Saturday 30th October 2021)

Intentions of Angelo Theophanous 8.30am Intentions of John Taylor (89th birthday)

11.30am Francis Butler RIP 5pm People of the parish

Thirty first Week in Ord Time (Yr 1)

Monday 1st November 2021 (Feria) 10am Intentions of Callum Alphonso PVT Oliva Msahala RIP Tuesday 2nd November 2021 THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

(ALL SOULS) 10am All the Faithful Departed PVT All the Faithful Departed

Wednesday 3rd November 2021(Memorial) St Martin de Porres, Religious 10am Hervé Yoo Foo RIP

PVT Theresa MacDonald RIP

Thursday 4th November 2021 (Memorial) St Charles Borromeo, Bishop

10am Charles & Angela Desa RIP

PVT Len & Tina Phillips RIP

First Friday 5th November 2021 (Feria) 10am Pat Igoe RIP

PVT Fr Tomas Creagh-Fuller RIP

Saturday 6th November 2021

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am Ronald Smail RIP

Sunday 7th November 2021 Thirty Second Sunday in OT (Yr B) 6.15pm (Saturday 6th November 2021) People of the parish 8.30am Andy & May Byrne RIP 11.30am Joe Moynihan RIP

5pm Oliva Msahala RIP

Our Current Public Mass Schedule

*Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am; *Confessions: Saturday, after 10am Mass, until approx 11.30am; *Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm); 8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Envelopes available from the stewards. Please deliver envelopes to the presbytery. Offerings may be Gift **Aided.** You may book by email or by phone. Please book well in advance, especially if you wish to be present.

CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

Our sincere thanks to all our stewards. From this coming Monday 1st November, stewards will no longer need to sanitise the church after Masses. The Sunday obligation remains suspended.

Please follow stewards' instructions. Track and Trace forms still apply. If you feel ill, please stay at home. Continue to wear masks/face coverings, which must cover your nose and mouth. Please don't gather outside the church. Observe social distancing of 1 metre. Votive candles may be lit and offerings may be put in wall boxes.

Please help stop the spread of COVID. since it remains in circulation and cases have been rising in Lambeth. "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR"

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND:

John Ambler, Jessica Anane, Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Bruce Davidson, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor,

SYNOD PRAYER CARD

Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell,

Georgette Yoo Foo.

Please take a copy and bring it with you every time you come to Mass.

CONFIRMATION

The first session of this year's programme will take place this coming

Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at Bishop Thomas Grant School.

The session begins at 7.30pm sharp. Would candidates please arrive in good time and remember to bring their folders. This will, of course, apply to all sessions.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Dates and details will be announced once available. Catechists are desperately needed in order to deliver the 2022 programme. Please contact any of the priests if you may be able to help.

GIFT AID & FINANCE

If you are a tax payer, please consider joining the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your offering at no extra cost to you! You may find a Standing Order Form on

our parish website: sof 200904.jpg (724×1024) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Year End Letters are not yet available.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

You may request Masses for those Holy Souls dear to you, using the special Holy Souls envelopes available from stewards. The list you provide inside your envelope will be placed in a basket beneath the main altar during all Masses said throughout November. You are invited to place an offering for the Holy Souls inside your envelope, if you are able to. If you are a member of the Gift Aid Scheme, you will find a box on the envelope to record your Gift Aid number. Please do not approach the sanctuary with your envelope. Instead, please put it through the presbytery door, (not in the collection basket). Going forward, a Mass will be said each month for all those Holy Souls on what we call The November Deceased List.

THANKS FROM FR DEO

Fr Deo would like to thank all those of you who prayed for his mother and have since offered Masses for the repose of her soul. He is most grateful for the love you have shown. May God bless you all.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

FIRST READING (Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14)

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that, I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm23:1-6 response cf v 6)

R: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.

- 1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples.

 It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters, he made it firm. *R*.
- 2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
 Who shall stand in his holy place?
 The man with clean hands and pure heart,
 who desires not worthless things. *R*.
 - 3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob. *R*.

SECOND READING (1 John 3:1-3)

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God, but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed, we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely, everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Matthew 11:28)

Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Matthew 5:1-12)

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak.

This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called Sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (Matthew 5:8-10)

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

PARISH OFFICE NEW OPENING HOURS

The office opens on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays only, between the hours of 10.30am and 3.30pm.

Please use a face mask if you call at the front door.

You may phone, email or use the Contact Form on our website. Please speak clearly when leaving a voicemail, giving your full name and the subject matter of your call.

NB: Many enquiries may be answered simply by reading the newsletter which, of course, is also available on our website. There is an option on the phone menu to check for our usual Mass times, and the newsletter provides current information.

SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR SEPTEMBER 2022 ENTRY

The School Reference Application Form is available on our parish web site via a special 'button', or click on this link: https://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/uploads/8/3/4/4/83448698/school_reference_form_september_2022.pdf

<u>Please print the form out, then complete it in ink</u> and follow the instructions in relation to documents and photos.

SCHOOL OPEN DAY INFORMATION ON WEBSITE

Please click on: Schools' Open Days 2021 (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

ANNUAL BLESSING OF GRAVES

This will be on Remembrance Sunday, 14th November 2021.

We shall meet from 2.45pm for a prompt 3pm start, at

Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Road, SW16 5JG.

From the car park, walk down the main path to the end, then turn

left, and you will come to a row of tombs on the right.

You should come dressed for poor weather and muddy conditions. Please take care to avoid traffic, and look out for one another, as there will be many cars around.

A short service will be conducted, with a blessing of graves. Depending upon the weather, how light it remains and the number of priests present, individual graves may then be blessed by the priests. Please have consideration for the clergy, most of whom will need to get back to their parishes for evening Mass.