St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 27th November 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

(YEAR A)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 27th November 2022 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6.15pm (Saturday 26th November 2022) Elizabeth & Dominic Mascarenhas, 67th Wedding anniversary 8.30am Attilio Schiavetta RIP 10am Jose & Felicidad Farrao RIP

11.30am Joe McNamara RIP (Hymn Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Rosary and Benediction 5pm Mary Durkin RIP

First Week of Advent

Monday 28th November 2022 (Feria) 7.30am Donald & Trevor Rebeiro RIP 10am Sylvette Mungur RIP

Tuesday 29th November 2022 (Memorial) Saints Cuthbert Mayne

& Companions, Martyrs

7.30am Deceased members of the Augustus & Newey families 10am Mary Houlihan RIP

Wednesday 30th November 2022 (Feast) Saint Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

7.30am Deceased members of the

Murray & Rebeiro families 10am Anthony Bethune RIP

Thursday 1st December 2022 (Memorial) Saints Edmund Campion, Ralph Sherwin &Alexander Briant, Priests & Martyrs

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Intentions of Father Deo

12.30pm Requiem for Nora Hogan RIP

First Friday 2nd December 2022 (Feria) 7.30am Viona Christoff RIP

10am Clementina Fernandes RIP

Adoration until Benediction at 2pm

7pm – 9pm Youth Club in the Lower Hall

Saturday 3rd December 2022 (Memorial)

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

Day of Prayer for Migrants

10am Derek Elkins RIP

Sunday 4th December 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6.15pm (Saturday 3rd December 2022) Dominic Mascarenhas RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Intentions of Victoria Furtado

11.30am In thanksgiving for the Polyphony Choir

(Polyphony Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Rosary and Benediction 5pm Albert Rego RIP

WEEKLY SCHEDULE *Mass: Monday to Friday 7.30am;

Monday - Saturday: 10am; *Confession: Saturday, after 10am Mass,

until 11.30am then from 5pm - 6pm.

*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm. **Adoration & Benediction:**

Mon – Sat 9.30am

(First Friday after 10am Mass until 2pm)

*Rosary: Monday – Saturday after 10am Mass

Rosary & Benediction: Sunday 4pm (Stations of the Cross during Lent)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, AND HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah. Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Agnes Buckley, Philip Chapman,

Gerard Cowie, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Amelia Demby; Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Terry Folorunso: Raffaella Forte.

Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Terry Jupp, Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski,

Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Margaret McSharry,

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, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell,

Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ; Georgette Yoo Foo.

MASS COVER

Today, with thanks, we welcome Father Augustine (Gus) Kinnane, to say the 8.30am & 10am Masses.

PARISH DIARY 2023

Available *free* from the Repository. Please contribute to the Seminary Fund.

FREE COFFEE MORNING TODAY

After all morning Masses. Young parishioners, Alex and Max, will be fundraising to visit and take part in the

Gunjur Project in The Gambia. See: https://www.gpagambia.org

Each must raise £1,000.00 to go.

COFFEE MORNING NEXT SUNDAY.

Ariana Kojie, one of the Explorer Scouts at St Bartholomew's, has been selected to participate in the Scouting World Jamboree in South Korea in August 2023. To fundraise for Ariana's trip, the Explorer Scouts are holding a Coffee Morning next Sunday 4th December 2022 in the Hall after the 8:30am, 10am and 11.30am masses, with a sale of homemade cakes. Do pop in! You may also contribute via Ariana's funding page at: https://www.gofundme.com/f/southkorea-2023-jamboree-fundraiser.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

Please apply online only by the closing date of this Thursday 1st December 2022 here: bit.ly/3EvYlx8 There will be an important introductory meeting in the church on

Thursday 8th December 2022 at 8pm. This will be for parents and guardians. **SAFEGUARDING**

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Teresa Furtado. To contact Teresa on Safeguarding matters only, please call her on: 07933 614589.

FATHER DEO'S FEET

Father Deo will undergo further surgery in the coming week. He thanks you for all your good wishes and asks for your continued prayers at this time.

ADVENT STARTS TODAY

We use our mustard-coloured Parish Mass Books, moving to Year A.

OUR ADVENT CROWN

Also today, we light the first purple candle, known as the 'Prophecy' candle, representing the encouraging words of Old Testament prophets such as Isaiah, who tell us of expectancy and hope, in anticipation of the coming into human history of the Messiah.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

Give a gift of hope this Christmas

In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/ or pick up a catalogue in church. Please also click on the QR code below. World Gifts such as "super soup kitchens", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.



THE SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal High Priest. Amen.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL

Please support the Archbishop's Appeal; every gift is welcome. Please donate by one of the following methods:

Online: rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal
Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (below)
Telephone weekdays 9am – 5pm: **020 7960 2504**Cash / Cheque – please use the Archbishop's
Appeal envelopes at the back of church.



ST JAMES THE GREAT CHRISTMAS FAYRE

St. James the Great School are holding their annual fundraising Christmas Market on Sunday 4th December 2022 from 11.00am-3.00pm. There will be Gift Stalls, Tombolas, Cakes & Bakes, Children's Activities, Santa, International Food Stalls, Raffles and lots more! All are welcome.

Please see also the posters in the main porch.

SCHOOL REFERENCES

The School Reference Request Form may be found on our parish website here: https://bit.ly/3RKDk5n

MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS

Please post your Mass Offering Envelopes through the presbytery door. Offerings are voluntary. As a guide, people tend to give ± 10.00 . Mass offerings may be Gift Aided too.

<u>Please note that no date or time can be guaranteed.</u>

<u>Nobody should feel embarrassed about requesting a Mass</u>

<u>Intention if they cannot to make an offering.</u>



LOST PROPERTY

Please check the box on the windowsill to the right, as you enter the main porch, for anything you might have left behind. Anything unclaimed by next Thursday will be disposed of.

OLD STERLING AND FOREIGN CURRENCY

Please check your change before you put anything into the collection basket or wall boxes, to ensure that you do not put in foreign or old coins. These can cause our coin counting machine to get stuck or even damaged. If you have any foreign currency, whether notes or coins, including legacy European currencies, as well as British notes and coins no longer in circulation, please place them in the special basket which will soon be in the main porch. The **SVP**, centrally, can obtain some value from such money, and you will be helping them in their most important work by disposing of such notes and coins through them.

THE HOLY SOULS

Mass will be said monthly for all those named, marked in the newsletter as 'November Deceased List'.

RECENTLY DECEASED

News reaches us of the death of **Father Michael Creech CSsR**, a Redemptorist of St Mary's Clapham. Aged 88, he died in the early hours of Wednesday 23rd November 2022, at the Meadow Road care home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, Vauxhall. Ordained in 1958, He became well known across the country as a giver of retreats. The last one he delivered here was with the now late Father Joseph Capitanio CSsR, in the 1970s. Those who knew Father Michael will never forget his famous and often repeated phrase, "**Father Creech has come to preach!**" His brother Terrence, also a Redemptorist, died in 2019. Just prior to the pandemic, the energetic and enthusiastic Father Michael was still supplying at various parishes, including, on

occasion, our own. May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.