

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C - 28TH NOVEMBER 2021

(Psalter Week 1)

Entrance Antiphon: *To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.*

Communion Antiphon: *The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.*

All Masses are live streamed through our parish webcam.

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am - 11:30am in the Church or by prior appointment.

If you would like to book a mass intention, please contact Jeanette in the parish office.

The Church will remain open after Mass until 1:30pm on Tuesday to Saturday for Private Worship.

The Repository in the Church Hall will be open on Sundays after the 8:30am Mass until 12noon and on Wednesdays during the coffee morning. Christmas cards and other gifts are now available in the Repository. Handmade candles by Lucia will also be on sale.

God of Light and Love fill us with your Holy Spirit so that we may keep watchful in prayer during this Advent Season as we await the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Paul

SYNOD AND SYNODAL PROCESS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

An invitation is extended to 'all of the baptised' to contribute on three principal themes: Communion, Participation and Mission. For Info visit: <https://www.synod.va/en.html> & <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/synodal-church/>.

Alternative ways to submit contributions and Websites to find out more information: www.rcaos.org.uk/synod www.aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod Email: synod@rcaos.org.uk

In writing: Synod Submissions, c/o Archbishop's House, 150 St George's Road, London, SE1 6HX. Further resources from the Synod Office in Rome is available at www.synod.va/en.html in different languages. Resources from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales is available at www.cbcew.org.uk/synodal-church/

CONFIRMATION APPLICATION FORMS

The Confirmation Programme for children in Year 9 and above will be starting on the 8th January 2022. For an application form please see Fr. Paul after Mass.

The deadline for returning the completed application forms is Sunday 19th December.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR MANAGING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PARISH

PROPERTY - We are looking for a retired Building Surveyor/Facilities Manager or someone with Health & Safety expertise to assist us with managing the maintenance of the parish property. If you are able to volunteer can you please contact the parish office on Telephone: 020 8300 2480 or Email: sidcup@rcaos.org.uk.

DBS CHECKS

As per the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy all returning and new volunteers in various parish ministries who require a DBS, need to have a current check that has been issued within the last 3 years or are signed up to the update service. Are you a volunteer in any of our Parish Ministries? If so, can you please collect the forms from Jeanette at the Parish Office in order to have your DBS checks redone.

MARIST WAY

The next Marist Way meeting is on Saturday 4th December after the 9:30am Mass in the St. Lawrence Community Centre Upper room. Please come along all are welcome.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF ORDINATION - MARIST PRIEST TOM BURNS

The Rt. Rev Thomas Burns now Bishop Emeritus of Menevia Wales, a Marist Priest and former teacher at St. Mary's School in Sidcup will be celebrating his golden jubilee of ordination to the priesthood at a Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday 16th December at 11:30am in St. Joseph's Cathedral, Convent Street, Swansea SA1 2BX. Mass will be livestreamed, visit the link www.meneviacathedral.org.

SUNDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

The coffee mornings after the 8:30am and 10:00am Mass on Sundays have re-started. Please come along. If you would like to volunteer, please speak to Michael in the hall.

100 CLUB WINNERS

MONTH	£75	£50	£25	£10
AUGUST	G. O'Sullivan	M. Sharkey	M. Atkinson	G. Thrift
SEPTEMBER	S. Sadlier	J. Willsden	E. Armfield	F. Baseley
OCTOBER	D. Butters	M. Dwyer	E. Armfield	A. Maxted

KNITTING SALE

There will be a sale of knitted toys, ladies and children items in the hall after all the morning Masses on Sunday 28th November and Sunday 5th December.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL - FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH

On Friday 3rd December at 10:00pm at St. Anselm's Church, 89 West Hill, Dartford, DA1 2HJ. The Vigil Mass starts at 10:00pm followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with devotions throughout the night and time for silent prayer. Benediction will be at 5:45am followed by Mass at 6:00am. All are welcome to come for an hour or more to adore Our Lord. The church is open all night and has good parking facilities. Please see the poster on the notice board for more details.

A DAY WITH MARY

Saturday 18th December 2021 - 10am to 5pm at St George Cathedral, Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HR. See notice board for details or visit www adaywithmary.org.

EDUCATION COMMISSION

Do you have skills to offer as a Governor or Trustee in the Catholic Schools in Southwark? Could you spare a few hours a month? The education commission for the R C Archdiocese of Southwark needs local people from its parishes to volunteer as foundation governors or trustees/directors in catholic schools and academies. Visit <https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/could-you-become-a-governor>.

SYCAMORE

An informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. Explore your beliefs, share ideas, meet people and think about questions that really matter. For further information visit: <https://www.sycamore.fm/>.

SENIOR CITIZENS' ADVENT TEA PARTY

St Catherine's Catholic School, Watling Street, Bexleyheath DA6 7QJ are holding their Senior Citizens' Advent Tea Party on Friday 10th December 1.30-3.00pm. Please RSVP the school on 01322 556 333 if you wish to attend.

CHRIST THE KING ST. MARY'S - CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

CTK's annual Christmas Toy Appeal aims to make Christmas magic for the children in our local community, by providing them with a gift they may otherwise not have had. With your support, CTK hopes to make Christmas magic for even more children this year. Please bring your toys to the Parish Office, labelling the present with the age it is appropriate for by Wednesday 8th December. Thank you for supporting our annual toy appeal. CTK St. Mary's Team.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 27th November (Vigil Mass)	6.30pm	First Sunday of Advent Year C	Mrs Margarita Guillermo RIP
Sunday 28th November	8.30am	First Sunday of Advent Year C	Sid Hare RIP
	10.00am		Pauline and Bernard Chick RIP
	11.30am		Parishioners
Monday 29th November		Feria	
	9.30am		Patricia and Michael McNulty RIP
Tuesday 30th November		Saint Andrew, Apostle Patron of Scotland	
	9.45am		Sister Margaret Mary Gormley RIP
Wednesday 1st December		Feria	
	9.30am		Thomas Linnett RIP
Thursday 2nd December		Feria	
	9.30am		Barbara Perella RIP
Friday 3rd December		Saint Francis Xavier, Priest	
	9.30am		Stephen Young RIP
Saturday 4th December		Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church	
	9.30am		Betty Smout RIP

Collection	21st November	2nd Collection	
Cash	£190.41	Catholic Youth Services	
Gift Aid	£275.25	Cash	£12.00
Total	£465.66	Gift Aid	-
Monthly Standing Order	£4254.00	Total	£12.00

During this season of Advent and Christmas time please pray for migrants and refugees, especially on Migrants' Day, 3rd December and for expectant mothers. Please also pray for the sick of our parish who are at home and in hospitals and especially for the souls of the faithful departed that God may grant them eternal rest.

Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. Isaiah 45:22