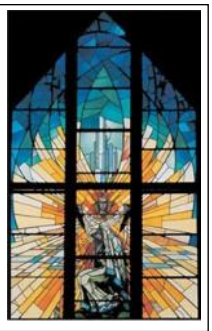


Our Lady of the Annunciation



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8th November Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 152 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Today the nation pauses to remember the war dead, a tradition that has become a familiar part of our collective calendar for decades.

In Matthew's Gospel today, written perhaps as early as 75-80 AD, 1950ish years ago Jesus reminds his disciples in every generation to remember. Remember that as disciples of the Lord we are waiting to be gathered into his Kingdom, the major theme of the season of Advent; just a few weeks away. We are waiting for the bridegroom to come, waiting to enter with him into the wedding chamber, waiting to feast at the banqueting table. Waiting assumes a level of preparedness. *Our Gospel today asks us a simple question;* ***are you ready?***



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On Advent Sunday we are invited to join the people of St Mildred for an ecumenical Advent Carol Service at 6.30pm. It would be great if as many of us as possible could join the event as we seek to encourage one another, witnessing to Christ at our respective ends of Bingham Road.

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WHEN LIGHTING CANDLES COULD YOU PLEASE FILL THE STANDS
FROM THE BACK
THIS AVOIDS THOSE COMING AFTER
HAVING TO REACH ACROSS YOUR FLAMES TO PLACE THEIRS

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

This is a gentle reminder to all parishioners, that the parish office is **CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS**. Please do not attend or ring the office on that day (unless it is an emergency where a priest is required). Rachel is available on Mondays & Tuesdays and Stephanie on Thursdays & Fridays, 9am - 3pm. Many thanks.

Fr Keith.

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 10th at 10.45am (Small Hall)
SVP: Tuesday 10th at 8pm (PRC)
1st Holy Communion Parents' Meeting: Tuesday 10th at 8pm (Large Hall)
RCIA: Wednesday 11th at 7.30pm (PRC) ***Reconciliation & Confession***

Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£	621.84
Loose cash	£	630.88
S/Os (*Approx*)	£	1340.00
Total	£	2592.72

Mass Intentions This Week

7 November: Saturday THE DEDICATION OF ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL
10:00 Joseph Dieu Tran RIP
18:00 Lance & Adrienne Baptiste RIP

8 November: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
08:30 Holy Souls
10:00 Thanksgiving for Ruthi & Felix *
11:30 Isola & Thomas Davey RIP

9 November: Monday THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
10:00 Richard & Ellen Stevenson RIP

10 November: Tuesday SAINT LEO THE GREAT
10:00 Catherine Crowley RIP

11 November: Wednesday SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS
10:00 Brian O'Brien & Dennis Budhu RIP

12 November: Thursday ST JOSAPHAT
10:00 Mark Blackwell RIP
19:30 Holy Souls

13 November: Friday
10:00 Hilda Scicluna RIP

14 November: Saturday
10:00 Deceased Members of the Finnerty Fam. & Trevor Wise RIP
18:00 Mr & Mrs Mathiyas RIP #

15 November: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
08:30 All Parishioners ~ #
10:00 Agnes Cuffey-Pratt RIP 1st Ann. ~ #
First Holy Communion Mass of Dedication
11:30 Mary (1st Ann.) & Ann (36th Ann.) Farrell RIP #

* *With Uniformed Groups*
~ *With Children's Liturgy*
\# *With Foodbank Sunday*

*** DEFIBRILLATORS ***

There is a defibrillator located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church, and another on the wall outside the large hall entrance.

COLLECTIONS

This week there will be a Diocesan collection for ***The Archbishop's Appeal***. Please see the note overleaf.
**** Don't forget - Next weekend is Foodbank Sunday! Please leave donations in the porch. Thank you. ****

We pray for the sick in our Parish: *Lauren Horwood, Christina Cahill, Ann Page, Peggy Wall, Canon Peter Stodart, Joseph Anand, Dave Freegard, Mervat Nasri, Holly Bland, Alyssa Jemade, Mary-Jane Watson, Michael Bowen & all others*

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week**:** *Peter Marenghi, John Wynne, Denis Hathaway, Frieda Humphries, John Faragher, William Bradley, Mildred Potter, Rosanna Jamieson, Michael Jones, Denis Everest, Catherine Downes, Terence Hayes, Philip Sterling, Mary Arthur, Sr. Joseph, Samir Nasr, Peter Pender, Dorothy Lloyd-Jones, Muriel McGuinness, Mabel Moniz, Ann Hazell, Mary Gorman, Theresa Morgan, Ezio Giust, John Boyle, John Grove, Nell Bentley, Joan Cooper, Mary Farrell, Maud West, Jan Jadkowski, Elizabeth Ellis, Stephen Shaw, Joan Motts, Agnes Cuffey-Pratt*

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

8th November: Frank Nelson
15th November: Shane & Mervyn Owens
22nd November: Kieran White
29th November: TR Dallas
6th December: Theresa Rodgers
13th December: Glen Flynn
20th December: ***Christmas Celebration*** - Frank Nelson
27th December: ***New Year Celebration*** - Pat Jordan

- Many thanks to Members of the Parish Community & the Social Club for your support of ***Dancing with the Stars***. The event raised £1,500.00; these resources have been given to ***Palace for Life (www.palaceforlife.org)*** - this organisation supported 20,000 young people in South London during the last year.

- ***Jiving sessions are returning***: J & M will be facilitating Jiving Sessions in the Hall on Sundays, 8th & 15th November commencing at 5:00pm. For more information, call ***Della Reilly on 07403 227935***.

- ***The Other Guys'***, leading tributes to **Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons**; takes place on Friday, 13th November. Admission will be by ***TICKET ONLY. You can also support this event by donating an item for the Raffle and/ or Auction.*** All proceeds from this event will be given to the Anerley ACROSS; a charity which will take a party of disabled people to Lourdes in June.

To reserve Tickets for this event, call ***Ben Cahill - 07958 903410***

- In partnership with ***St Mildred's Church***, we will be supporting the ***Annual Pyjama Appeal for Children*** up to 18 years of age in Hospital, Hospices and Women's Refuges throughout the UK. If you would like to support the appeal bring your sets of Pyjamas to any Mass or the Social Club **NEXT WEEKEND 14th - 15th November**.

- The Pyjamas need to be brand NEW
- They must not be wrapped
- Please avoid Christmas themed pyjamas as excess pairs are given to children throughout the year

Please avoid fleecy pyjamas & onesies - hospitals can be warm!

RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

We are sad to announce the recent deaths of ***Barney Allen*** (father of Tracy Boyd) & ***Josephine Pecorella***.
Barney's funeral will take place here at **Our Lady's** on **Friday 27th November at 10am.**
Josephine's funeral will also take place here, on **Thursday 3rd December at 10am**. Please keep the departed and their families in your prayers at this sad time.

PRIMARY SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR 2027 ENTRY

Priest's reference application forms are now available to download from our website. Please return the completed form to the parish office before ringing to arrange an appointment with Fr Keith. Appointments will **ONLY** run between **Monday 9th November** and **Friday 27th November**.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING
Saturday 28th November 2 - 4pm in the Small Hall

I have a small supply of rings for sale at £4.50 to make the wreaths; please contact me by Monday 23th November if you need one. Bring garden clippers/scissors, gloves, and any candles, greenery or decorations you wish to add. **Call or text Joanna on 07793 826103**

PARISH ASCENT GROUP

Our Lady's Ascent Group has been meeting regularly for more than 23 years. It now meets on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays each month in the Small Hall after 10am Mass. We start with tea/coffee etc at about 10.45 and each month we try to invite a Speaker to help us share and inspire us in our Catholic Faith. ***Anyone interested in updating an understanding of what we believe and increasing your relationship with Jesus, is most welcome.***
On **Tuesday November 10th** we intend to anticipate "Interfaith Week" by welcoming, hearing from and sharing with a very good Sikh neighbour. *Everyone is welcome*.

Rotas: *Eucharistic Ministers (November)* *Readers: (Nov/Dec)*

+++ SAVE THE DATE - ADVENT VIGIL +++
with RECONCILIATION and ADORATION
Friday 11th December 6 - 8pm at Our Lady's

Parents with no alternative arrangements will find a childcare solution available on the evening, and fast-track confession will be available too.
Help is needed to organise the event, so if you'd like to get involved, please contact **Anne-Catherine - auxharicots@gmail.com**. Thanks.

STAY WELL AND BE ALERT IN WINTER EVENT

All parishioners are invited to our preventive health event on **Saturday 14th November from 1-5pm in the large hall**. Topics include community safety, how your local pharmacy can help you, how NHS 111 works, spotting frauds and scams, financial management, nutrition and dental health, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, youth to youth advice, basic health checks etc. ***You don't need to pre-register***, refreshments will be season friendly and depart with a season friendly goodie bag. See you there with family and friends. Thanks, Sylvia **07375 824615**

PEONY COURT CARE HOME (Addiscombe Road): Is coming to talk about their free activities and events. Charles, the new General Manager, would love to introduce himself to you and tell you about the home, its activities and events. Join Charles in the hall at coffee morning, after Mass on **Wednesday 25th of November** for a coffee, chat, and a cupcake.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL SECOND COLLECTION

The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support innovative projects taking place within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve. Please be generous to the Archbishop's Appeal 2026. Every gift is welcome. Find out more, or donate online at **www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal**.
Or please use the Archbishop's Appeal envelopes at the back of church. Thank you for your generosity of heart.

*** SAVE THE DATE ***
SPECIAL MASS FOR YOUTH SUNDAY
10am on 22nd November (Solemnity of Christ the King)

We will be celebrating our youth on this day, and the youth will be involved in celebrating the Mass! Anybody interested in participating will find more details in the newsletter next week.

WELDERLIES DAY TRIP
TO OXFORD CHRISTMAS MARKET

We have a few spaces left on the coach for this trip on **Thursday 26th November**. Flyer at the back of the church with full details.
If interested, text Sylvia on **07375 824615** to book, thanks.

SECOND SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING TEAM: Are hosting refreshments in the hall **today** after the 10 & 11.30am Masses.

Please join us for tea, coffee, cake and a chat!

COLOMA MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Coloma Convent Girls' School is holding a Mass of Remembrance on **Thursday 26th November at 3.30pm** to remember all deceased Coloma students, staff & family members. Former students and staff, and the families of those who have died, are warmly invited to attend this Mass which will take place at the school.
If you would like to attend, please **RSVP to liturgy@coloma.co.uk by 19th November** indicating the name of your loved one so that they can be remembered at this Mass.

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER LIST

We invite you to take a Holy Souls envelope from the table at the back of church. Write a list of any family and friends who have died, and put it in the envelope. ***Please place the envelope in the secure 'offertory' box in the Lady chapel***. Your deceased loved ones will be remembered at all Masses during the month of November.

Diocesan Safeguarding Office: **safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk**