



Our Lady of the Annunciation

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9am - 3pm Wednesday: Closed

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Weekdays after 10am Mass Every Saturday at 5pm Or by appointment

16th December 2018 Third Sunday of Advent (page 87 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

Christmas at Our Lady's



Christmas Eve Mass
6.00pm & 11.30pm

Christmas Day Mass
8.30am, 10.00am & 12.00pm

O come, let us adore Him

Continue to remember in your prayers Fr. Jackson Sebastian as he prepares to join us here at Our Lady's, and for our continuing preparations to receive him and make him welcome.

Fr Keill.

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Ann Marie Christian - 020 8662 0319 or amc@annmariechristian.com

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 18th at 10.30am (Large Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 18th at 8pm (PRC)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday 10.30am - 8pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

CHURCH CLEANING: Team B

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose cash	£ 725.28
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 706.12
S/Os	£ 975.00
Total	£ 2406.40

Mass Intentions This Week

15 December: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service
18:00 Martin McCorry RIP #

16 December:

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

08:30 Michael O'Brien RIP #
10:00 Celso Gacio RIP # ~
12:00 Speciose Kalimira #

15:00 Everyone's Nativity

17 December: Monday

10:00 Tony Finnegan RIP

18 December: Tuesday

10:00 Pat Dowd RIP

19 December: Wednesday

10:00 Josephine Seemampillai RIP

20 December: Thursday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Mary Brown RIP

19:30 Advent Reconciliation Service

21 December: Friday

10:00 Michael & Harold Sweeney RIP

22 December: Saturday

10:00 Eucharistic Service
18:00 Ashley Jacob RIP

23 December:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

08:30 Pat & Maura O'Donnell & Mona Foley RIP

10:00 Patrick Maher RIP

12:00 Gabriel Maguire RIP

With Foodbank Sunday

~ With Uniformed Groups

COLLECTIONS

Last week's ACA collection for the *New Addington Homeless Outreach* amounted to £781.60. Many thanks. This week there will be a second collection for *The Barnabus Fund*. There are Christmas Offering envelopes available for you to pick up in the porch, ahead of the Christmas Day collection, which is your personal offering to Fr Keith.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Sheila Minus, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Marc Simpson, Isabella Ress

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Gerry Finigan, Massimina Oriani, Joseph Cruz, Victor Michael, Louise Carter, Elsie Carpenter, Sr. Elizabeth Craig, Ellen Curry, John Knight, Baby James Naylor, Norah Everest, Dennis Godfree, George Fowler, Paddy O'Connor, Rosaleen Jamieson, Mary White, May Lally, Andrew Fox, Marie Louise Powell, Tony Nasri, Elizabeth Jerome, Hietty Palmer, Patrick Conway, Patrick Maher, Alfred Henry Daubney, Marie McCann, Richard Avery, Patricia Whiffin, Percy Fowler, Anita Parker, Ashley Jacob, Arthur Gateley, Jacqueline Phillips

SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday Evening Entertainment

Sunday, 16th December: Eugene Doonan

The *Christmas & New Year programme* for the Social Club will include:

- *Members' Party* on Friday, 21st December from 7.30pm; all Members must confirm their attendance by 16th December.
- *Christmas Celebration* on Sunday, 23rd December with entertainment by Finbar & Paul.
- *Tea Dance* on Thursday, 27th December from 3.00pm.
- *New Year Party* on Sunday, 30th December with entertainment by Ally Harron & Marian Curry. Light refreshments will be served.

We very much hope that members of the Parish Community will join us in our celebrations for the Festive Season.

Thank you to our Members, their Guests and the Parish Community for your support of our recent fundraising evening for the *Anerley ACROSS* Charity. The event raised £3,425.00 for the Charity; these resources will be used to take a group of disabled people to Lourdes in June.

On Sunday evening, the Social Club will be making presentations to the *PICU at the Royal Brompton Hospital* and the *Brain Tumour Charity*.

Coming soon

Tina Turner Tribute Evening: Friday, 18th January. Tickets at £10.00 each will be available from Sunday, 30th December. All proceeds from this event will be given to support the Addiscombe Guides tour to Switzerland next summer.

Mick Flavin: Friday, 15th March

RECENT DEATHS & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

We are sad to announce the following recent deaths:

Mary Brown (Mother of Bernadette McGrath) who died on Tuesday 4th December. Mary's funeral will take place here at Our Lady's on **Thursday 20th December at 10am.**

Mary 'Molly' Wynn who died on 6th December aged 94. Her funeral will also take place here at Our Lady's on **Friday 28th December at 10am.**

Please remember them and their families in your prayers at this difficult time.

WOODSIDE BEREAVEMENT SERVICE (WBS)

Please continue to support WBS for the next 12 months by simply following these **EASY STEPS?**

* If you are already a Co-Op member, go to coop.co.uk/membership/causes and select Woodside Bereavement Service and 1% of all you spend on Co-op branded items for the next 12 months will go to the charity.

* If you are not a Co-Op member, get a temporary card next time for £1 you visit the Co-op and register it at coop.co.uk/register. You will then get a permanent card and can then follow the steps above.

It's as easy as that to make a difference without having to give up your time or money!

A big **THANK YOU** from all those we support.

THANK YOU FROM THE FOODBANK!

Leslie Holland, who spoke after Mass last Foodbank Sunday, would like to extend her sincere thanks on behalf of the Vine Foodbank for the very generous donations from our parishioners!

Amongst the donations was a Study Experience blue lanyard with a small key on it - please contact the parish office if it

Items for collection: L Padain, Achilleas, C Wallace, N Akinyemi, C Burrows, S Wilson, V Lippert, G Slater, N Arowobusoye, A Winchester Sr Celia

Baptism certificates: A Czajor, C Arhin, R Dos Remedios, P McCartney, M Robin, A Barnett, D Shepherd

Rota: Eucharistic Ministers (Christmas)

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Thursday 20th December at 7.30pm with visiting priests.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER APPEAL

If you are coming to any of the Sunday Masses on **23rd December**, please could you bring a bit of greenery! The flower team will be in the church later that day arranging the flowers and decorating the church. We are always desperate for any evergreen foliage. If you have any plants in the garden and could snip a bit off to bring we would be grateful.

Please leave outside the church by parish office. Thank you.

EVERYONE'S NATIVITY - TODAY!

At **3pm** today **Sunday 16th December**, there will be an "Everyone's Nativity" followed by refreshments in the large hall. If any child OR adult would like to take part please come to the church on the day dressed as a character from the Nativity. It doesn't matter how many Mary's, Joseph's, Donkeys, Innkeepers, Stars, Shepherds, Wise Men, Angels and King Herod's we have, everyone will be included! All members of the Parish are welcome!

OUR LADY'S IS ON FACEBOOK!

If you are on Facebook, don't forget to check out the Our Lady of the Annunciation page! It's full of information about what is going on in our church and gives a wonderful insight into our active parish life.

TAKE SOME TIME TO REFLECT THIS ADVENT

Advent is a very special season of the year – and yet it can sometimes pass us by, because we're so busy preparing for Christmas. For the past couple of years, our diocesan Spirituality Commission has produced a series of short daily emails, to help us focus on the true meaning of Advent. These have been very well received, so we would like to make more people aware of them. To sign up, please visit www.southwarkdsc.org.uk

CHILDREN'S ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA

We have a full hard back set of these to give to away. If you are interested please contact the Parish office. Thank you.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

As many of you will know, every Wednesday in the hall after 10am mass there is coffee & tea served, as well as biscuits or something else to tempt your taste buds. The cost is just £1, or more if you wish, with the monies being donated to various charities. Next Wednesday will have a Christmas flavour, with a variety of home made cakes and savouries as well as a free raffle.

If you haven't been before, we will be delighted to see you and that includes everyone who has supported us in the past!

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Fully escorted St Patrick's Weekend Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, **16th March 2019. £599** per person sharing.

Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome.

Contact Patricia on **01268 762278** or **07740 175557** or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.