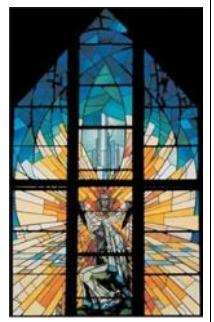




# Our Lady of the Annunciation



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## 21st November 2021 Sunday Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe YEAR B

Today is the last Sunday of the church year, next week the year begins with the first Sunday in Advent, four Sundays before Christmas. Our collect today reminds us that it is 'Stir Up Sunday' a Sunday which inexplicably became bound up with Christmas puddings. The great cry 'stir up' was hijacked by those focusing on the new phenomenon of a 'commercial Feast' to get the Christmas pudding made in plenty of time to mature before Christmas. An important addition to the mixture is a coin, whoever gets it on their plate on Christmas Day should get worldly riches heaped upon them.

However, the Stir Up prayer is actually asking God for something much more important. We are praying that God will stir up our wills, so that we might get on with doing the good works that he has planned for us to do. Then, as a consequence, we pray that we might receive our abundant reward.

In an age when so much is about how we feel, it is interesting to get another perspective. In the end, it is our will, rather than our feelings, that is the most important governor of our actions. Real love is not about feeling it is about choosing, by our wills, to do good to others even though we may not feel good towards them. Our feelings should not dominate our wills. And so we pray that God will "stir up" our wills, so that they will be in charge of us, doing what we know is right. In this prayer we recognise that we need God's help in order for our wills to function properly.

*Next Sunday it is expected that all who are able will return to the weekly celebration of the Mass. We begin a new year in the life of the Church, praying that all Christians may witness to the love and constancy of God by preparing devoutly for the celebration of the Saviours birth through the holy days of Advent.*

God bless *fr Keith.*



### Mass Intentions This Week

- 20 November: Saturday**  
 10:00 Thanksgiving and Intentions for Lourdes Joseph  
 18:00 Michael Walsh RIP \*
- 21 November: SUNDAY**  
**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**  
 08:30 All Parishioners \*  
 10:00 Joan McHugh RIP \*  
 11:30 Peggy Scanlon RIP \* +
- 22 November: Monday SAINT CECILIA**  
 10:00 Betty McHugh RIP
- 23 November: Tuesday**  
 10:00 Birthday Wishes for Jacqueline Connor And Family
- 24 November: Wednesday**  
**SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC**  
 10:00 Lawrence Pereira RIP
- 25 November: Thursday**  
 10:00 Dec. Mem. Of the Joseph Family RIP  
 19:30 Charles & Doreen RIP
- 26 November: Friday**  
 10:00 Deceased Members of the Cooney, Linehan & Cowley Families RIP  
*Followed by Devotion*
- 27 November: Saturday**  
 10:00 Mr & Mrs Benedict RIP  
 18:00 Holy Souls
- 28 November:**  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
 08:30 Wellbeing of Majella Buckley  
 10:00 John Boswood RIP  
 11:30 Wellbeing of Jude Joseph  
 + *With Baptism*  
 \* *With Foodbank Sunday*

### \*\*\* CHURCH HALL CLEANER REQUIRED URGENTLY \*\*\*

There is a vacancy for a cleaner in our church halls. You would be required to work on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for a total of 5/6 hours a week. If you are interested in the position and would like further information, please speak to Fr Keith as soon as possible. Thank you.

### MEETINGS

**Children's Liturgy Meeting:** Monday 22nd at 8pm (Large Hall)  
**Ascent Group:** Tuesday 23rd at 10.30am (Large Hall)  
**SVP:** Tuesday 23rd at 8.30pm (PRC)



*Our 10am Mass each Sunday is LIVE STREAMED through our Facebook page and on the 'Live Masses' page of the parish website.*

**CHURCH CLEANING**  
 25th NOVEMBER - TEAM C

### LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 364.00
Loose cash	£ 333.00
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1055.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 1752.00</b>

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Fridays 10.30am - 3pm**  
**In The Sacred Heart Chapel**

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection for *The Archbishop's Fund for Diocesan Administration* amounted to £126.00. Many thanks. This week there will be a second collection for *The Catholic Youth Services*. Please use the boxes on the wall for your donation.

**We pray for the sick in our Parish:** Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Elizabeth Casey, Ethan Patel, Jonathan Leiper, Brian Kearney, John Devereux, Jean Carpenter

**We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week:** Margaret Dolan, Patrick McHugh, Rita McMahan, Maria Rodrigues, Bernadette Wyatt, John McCarthy, Thomas Lott, James Stewart, Charles Campbell, Reita Pegrum, Ralph Reynolds, Agnes Walker, Antonina Laskowska, Bridget Derby, Mgr. John J. Moran, Catherine Swainsbury, Con Molyneaux, Margaret McGing, Patience Claudius, Arthur Brandon, John Fisher, Nuala Fox, Bridget Hoey, Tom Keegan, Jack Mills, Patrick Cummins, Peter Early, Elizabeth Kennedy, Marie Bond, Shiri Kisunlal Maharaj, Daniel Aherne, Mary McPhillips

### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

*A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club*

**Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm**

21st November: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

28th November: Frank Nelson

5th December: Glen Flynn

12th December: Mustang Showband

19th December: Kieran White

26th December: **Christmas Celebration** - Finbar & Paul

- Thank you to our Members & Our Lady's Community for your outstanding support of two events over the last week. **100+ sets of Pyjamas** were donated to support young people either in Hospital or Care during the Christmas Season. The **Freddie Mercury Tribute Evening** raised £2,250.00 for the Alzheimer's Society.

- The **ABBA Tribute Evening** takes place on Friday, 10th December commencing at 7.30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Anerley ACROSS Charity**. Tickets at **£15.00 each** are now available in the Church Hall or from Ben Cahill on 07958 903410. You can also support this event by donating an item for the Raffle or the Auction.

- The Social Club in partnership with Our Lady's Parish are facilitating a **Christmas Raffle** to support three local charities; **The Alzheimer's Society, The Woodside Bereavement Service & Young Minds**. There will be three cash prizes of £500.00, £300.00 and £100.00 plus seven additional prizes. The Draw will take place on Sunday, 19th December.

You can order Books of Raffle Tickets by sending an email to [bernardcahill2004@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bernardcahill2004@yahoo.co.uk).

**All monies, counterfoils and unsold books of tickets are to be returned to Our Lady's Presbytery by Sunday, 12th December.**

Further information on the Raffle is available on the Parish website - [Addiscombe Catholic Church](http://Addiscombe Catholic Church).

- There will be a **25-Card Drive** on Friday, 26th November commencing at 7.30pm. The event will be a **Pairs Competition** and the entrance fee will be £5.00 per person. To register an interest, please call Ben Cahill on 07958 903410.

**YOUTH FOR CHRIST:** We welcome all the youth in our parish, to come together and spend an hour with the Lord singing, dancing and growing in Christian love. (Bring your musical instruments with you, if you have any)

**Every second and fourth Sunday of the month from 3 - 4pm in the large hall. Our first gathering is on 28th November.**

**LIVE SIMPLY:** Meeting on Zoom is at **8pm on Monday 29th November**. All parishioners interested in environmental issues are welcome. For more details contact:

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Chris Sciberras on [sciberraschris7@gmail.com](mailto:sciberraschris7@gmail.com) or  
login on

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79334602190?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79334602190?pwd=ZGI1ZmgyeUdTTlRvMmQrcEduTU0Zz09)  
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### ARE YOU GRIEVING FOR SOMEONE? DO YOU FEEL ALONE IN YOUR GRIEF?

**Woodside Bereavement Service** are pleased to offer you **Light in the Darkness**, a Guided Reflection to provide support and encouragement at this difficult time and warmly welcomes anyone who would like to spend 45 minutes reflecting on their grief.

This will be available on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm** and **4.30pm** in the **Small Hall** at Our Lady's. As the number of people attending each session needs to be limited for safety reasons, please let us know which session you would like to attend before that date.

This can be done either by e-mail to [wbs@thelisteningear.org.uk](mailto:wbs@thelisteningear.org.uk) or by phone to **020 3256 2009** If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### PRIMARY SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR 2021 ENTRY

Priest's reference application forms are now available to download from our website. Please return the completed form to the parish office (via the letterbox) by **TODAY, Sunday 21st November**, before ringing to arrange an appointment with Fr Keith. Appointments run until **Friday 26th November**.

### ADVENT WREATH MAKING

**Saturday 27th November 4 - 6pm in the Large Hall**

I have a small supply of rings for sale to make the wreaths; please contact me by Monday 22nd 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**

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY - CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Plans to resume Children's Liturgy sessions, as soon as possible, are underway. To help run sessions, we are trying to recruit a few additional volunteers. To find out what's involved, please contact Sophia on:

[slinehanbiggs@gmail.com](mailto:slinehanbiggs@gmail.com) / 07717 572 791

**The Children's Liturgy team is meeting on Monday 22nd November at 8pm, in the large hall. New volunteers are welcome to attend.**

### EVERYONE'S NATIVITY

There will be an "Everyone's Nativity" on **Sunday 12th December at 2pm** here at **Our Lady's**, 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 parishioners are welcome.

### COFFEE MORNING 'THANK YOU'

The Addiscombe Welcomes Refugees (AWR) group raised £447.30 at last Sunday's coffee morning, after the 10am Mass. All of the funds raised will help support a refugee family, when they arrive in our community early next year. Thank you to everyone who came along, enjoyed cake, coffee and tea, and so generously donated.

### \*\*\* REPOSITORY SHOP \*\*\*

The Repository shop now has a wonderful range of Christmas cards and gifts at great prices! They are happy to accept all **CASH and CHEQUE** payments. Don't forget to pay them a visit after Mass!

**ADDISCOMBE WALKING CLUB:** Meets **every Wednesday at 7pm** by the notice board opposite Fernhurst Road for an hour's walk around Addiscombe and beyond.

It is a good way to meet new people, get some exercise and relax as the day draws to a close. Everyone is welcome. For more information please see the **I Love Addiscombe Facebook page** or email Krystyna at [krystynapaw@aol.com](mailto:krystynapaw@aol.com).

### AS A PRACTISING CATHOLIC HAVE YOU CONSIDERED BEING A FOUNDATION GOVERNOR FOR A LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL?

The John Fisher School, Purley, is recruiting volunteers for the post of Foundation Governor. Would you like to give a few hours a month as part of the strategic team that helps develop the school, drive education and achieve positive outcomes for local children?

The Governing Body are particularly keen to hear from those with a background in Finance then please contact:

Mrs Lindsay Redding, Clerk to the Governors via email on  
[l.redding@johnfisherschool.org](mailto:l.redding@johnfisherschool.org)

**Closing date is noon on Friday 10th December.**

For more information speak to Simon Drury, Chair of Governors.

**Items for collection:** *Francisco Serradilla-Mazuelos*

**Baptism certificates:** PLEASE COLLECT YOUR BAPTISM CERTIFICATES FROM THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU.

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