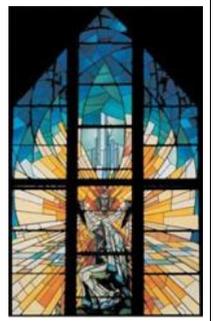




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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 By appointment only

22nd November 2020 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe YEAR A

A Prayer for the Feast of Christ the King

Lord Jesus, as we prepare to celebrate your feast as King of the Universe, we want to open our hearts and say, "Thy Kingdom come!" Grant us the grace to imitate you so completely that we transmit your words with our very lives. May you be the one who loves, prays, and works in us, in such a way that you make the Kingdom present in our hearts, the hearts of all people, and in society.

"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth." Jn 1:14

The mystery of the Kingdom is the fulfilment of God's promise of salvation. When man was deceived by sin, God approached and promised him a Redeemer: a shepherd that would guide his people, a king that would rule them, a bridegroom that would give himself completely and become one with them. In Christ, God does not just fulfil his word, he gives us his word: his beloved Son, the Word made flesh.

Today, the mystery of the Kingdom has the same power of transformation, the same importance and beauty, that it had two thousand years ago. It is as close to us today as it was on the Sunday of the Resurrection, as present in our interior as it was on the first Pentecost.

Lord, open my heart and transform it. Help me to welcome the gift of your Kingdom in my life so that everyday I can pray the prayer you taught us with integrity.

From the community of Regnum Christi.

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE ***

The First Holy Communion Parents' meeting is postponed until Tuesday, 8th December, to take place in Church. If we remain in lockdown, the meeting will take place in the New Year. Please monitor the newsletter and the parish website for updates. Also, please email the parish office with your email address and permission to add you to a First Holy Communion Monday or Tuesday Group via email and / or WhatsApp.

This will make communication between parents and priests so much easier. *Thank You.*



Mass Intentions This Week

21 November: Saturday
PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
 10:00 Holy Souls
 17:30 Joan McHugh RIP
 18:30 Dec. Members of the Cooney, Linehan and Crowley Families RIP

22 November: SUNDAY
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE
 10:00 Manjit Saberwar RIP
 12:00 Deo, Ann & Jane Lumala RIP

23 November: Monday
 10:00 Wellbeing of Kathleen Whelan

24 November: Tuesday
SAINT ANDREW DUNG LAC
 10:00 Lawrence Pereira RIP

25 November: Wednesday
 10:00 Bryan Cully RIP 1st Anniversary

26 November: Thursday
 10:00 Elizabeth Murphy RIP
 19:30 Holy Souls

27 November: Friday
 10:00 Margaret Hassan RIP

28 November: Saturday
 10:00 Wellbeing of Jude Joseph
 18:30 Peggy Scanlon RIP

29 November:
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 10:00 Betty Judge RIP
 12:00 Anne Farrell RIP



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Our 10am Mass each Sunday is LIVE STREAMED through our Facebook page.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Monday – Saturday
 9.00am – 10.50am

Sunday
 8.30am – 9.30am and 10.50am – 1.00pm

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Elizabeth Casey, Florence Okugbe, Ethan Patel, Eileen McMurray, Karen Pearson, Mary Rayner, Maureen Kearney

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: 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, Florence Moynihan, Keith Carder, Josefa Martin Muniz, Mary Fernandez

***** IMPORTANT TRACK & TRACE INFORMATION *****
Please text your name to - 07548 868418. Many thanks for your cooperation.

***** POLITE REMINDER *****

PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING WHILST IN CHURCH. OUR SEATING IS CLEARLY MARKED TO INDICATE WHERE IT IS SAFE TO SIT. **DO NOT SIT WHERE THERE IS RED TAPE ON A PEW UNLESS YOU ARE IN YOUR FAMILY BUBBLE.** THANK YOU.

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER - Ann Marie Christian. Contact email - addiscombesg1@safeguardraos.org.uk

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

On behalf of the Social Club, I hope that you are all safe and well!

It is with regret that I have to inform you of the recent death of Michael Cregg. He was a very valued and respected member of the Social Club. Michael was a very talented dancer; he is a former winner of the Old Time Waltz category in Strictly Come Dancing Competition. Please remember Michael, his family & friends in your thoughts & prayers at this difficult time. We will arrange for Fr Keith to celebrate a Mass for Michael & his Family.

Mena Maguire has recently completed the November **200 Club Across draw**. The winners are:

No. 123: Kathy Neville £100.00

No. 12: Chris Conlan £50.00

No. 101: Peter Cahill £50.00

All winners will receive their cheques over the next few days. Thank you to Members who have renewed their membership of the **200 Club** and to those who have recently joined the Club. If you would like to join the **200 Club**, please go to the website (www.anerleyacross.org.uk) and download an application form.

Thank you for your support of the Christmas Raffle which was launched recently. We are supporting three local charities; **The Lily Pad Appeal** (Children with Cancer) at Croydon University Hospital, the **Woodside Bereavement Service** and **St Mildred's Church** (Women's Refuge Project). To date, we have already raised in excess of £3,700.00; **our Target is £5,000.00+**. To order Books of Tickets send an email to:

patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk or bernardcahill2004@yahoo.co.uk

With the current Covid-19 restrictions, all counterfoils, monies and unsold tickets are to be returned to the Presbytery.

Additional information on the Raffle is available on the Parish website:

<http://www.addiscombecatholicchurch.com/grand-christmas-raffle>

In March, the Social Club launched a weekly Newsletter - **Keeping in Touch**. This weekend, the **35th Edition** will be published. If you would like to receive a copy of the document, send an email to Pat Winston: patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk.

More News from **the Social Club** is available on the Facebook site.

If the Social Club Committee can help you in anyway, please make contact with the Parish Office. You may need assistance with shopping, collection of medication, transport to a hospital appointment et al. **No task is too small - please make contact.**

RECENT DEATH: We are sad to announce the death of Margarete Collins last week. Please keep Margarete and her grandchildren Sinead & Christy in your prayers at this sad time.

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 **THIS Sunday, 22nd November**, before ringing to arrange an appointment with Fr Keith.

Appointments will run until **Friday 27th November**.

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 at the back of church** or through the parish office letterbox. The list of names will then be placed in our Memorial chapel (in the Lady Chapel) and your deceased loved ones will be remembered at all Masses during the month of November.

Any donations in the envelopes are used as Mass stipends for Masses for the Holy Souls throughout the year.

AN UPDATE ON THE ANERLEY ACROSS CHARITY

It is with regret that we have heard this week that travelling to Lourdes by Jumbulance in 2021 will not be possible. This is due to the coronavirus, restrictions on our insurance and ensuring that it is safe to travel abroad.

The charity is going to continue with possible day trips and weekend trips in the UK during 2021 with the hope that we will be able to travel to Lourdes in 2022.

Thank you to everyone for the support you show to our charity which is appreciated; we hope and pray that we will all come through this difficult time and once again we will be able to make the impossible possible for many to travel to Lourdes. **Ben Cahill**

FRATELLI TUTTI: The new encyclical of Pope Francis, is a message for everyone, not just Catholics or people of other faiths. The Holy Father argues that at a time of pandemic we cannot just return to politics as normal, but need to show fraternity and social friendship to build a better, more just and peaceful world. To find out more about Fratelli Tutti, please follow the links on the parish website.

How can you show fraternity and social friendship in our Parish?

Please contact one of the following groups in our Parish: the Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), who visit and befriend parishioners; the Refugee Support group, who are preparing to bring a vulnerable family for resettlement in the UK, and the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation group, who campaign on social issues in line with Catholic social teaching. Details of how to contact these groups can be found on the website or you can contact the parish office.

HM Government

**WASH
HANDS**



**COVER
FACE**



**MAKE
SPACE**



NHS



CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATES 2020

Confirmation certificates for 2020 can now be collected from the Parish Office. Please ring to let us know when you will collect. Many thanks.

ST THOMAS BECKET SCHOOL ANNUAL RAFFLE: Has gone online only this year. The link to purchase tickets is: <https://raffall.com/142575/enter-raffle-to-win-lots-of-christmas-goodies-hosted-by-stbsa>

Everyone entering the draw has to answer a simple question. Tickets are £1 each and prizes include Love to Shop vouchers, a portrait by a local artist, hampers, and lots more! Please share this link. Thanks!

OFFERING A MASS INTENTION: If you wish to offer a Mass intention at this time, please either use an 'Intentions' envelope located in a tray by the church entrance, or complete the form on our website under the **COVID 19** tab. You can print this off and return it via the parish office letterbox with stipend enclosed, or email it to us directly at addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk. If you choose to email the form we will then contact you once lockdown is lifted regarding the stipend.

PURCHASING MASS CARDS: The parish office remains closed to the public. If you wish to purchase a Mass card, *please visit the Repository shop at the weekend, or see Fr Keith or Fr Jackson who can assist you with this.* Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

AYC UPDATE

It has been a high priority for us to keep our young people filled with hope throughout this very different time we are living in, one day at a time. We had a BBQ with music back in September, and this month we have started our initiative **#kindnessiscontagious**. Making a link that although Covid 19 is contagious - as a community we can follow recommendations and within this be kind. In the coming weeks please look out for our **COVID CROSS**. Download a speech bubble from our website (under the AYC tab) and write your message. For example, this could be about your feelings around Covid 19 or a message of kindness and hope. You can bring them into church to be added to the cross. Also, there are pebbles on display in the Lady Chapel, part of our Kindness Rocks project. More pebbles will be available in the church porch soon, for you to take away and decorate in a similar way.

Our members also enjoyed a session at 'Goals' during half term week.

The young people also shared ideas for a daily kindness calendar. This will be available to download from the website in the next few weeks. Currently we have young people from school years 8 - 10 and are working on year 7 (although COVID 19 makes things a bit tricky). To register your interest or for more information email addiscombeyouthclub@gmail.com

ST THOMAS BECKET CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Admission for Reception places in 2021

If your child is due to start school in September 2021 and you are considering our school, please visit our website and click the link on the Home Page - **Admissions Information for Reception 2021**.

Here you can find important information including our school admissions policy, a **Virtual Tour** of our school premises and advice on completing your application.

You can also view videos of our school produced by our school council and our digital leaders.

For more information on admissions, please visit our website at www.thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk and read our **Admissions Policy**.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Unfortunately we have not been able to hold Children's liturgy for some time, but wanted to remind you of the *Colour and Shape Children's Liturgy* that are available each week on YouTube for young families

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdJNyn5xOrOB5634uplhcQg>

Also, don't forget to print off the weekly children's liturgy page that is uploaded to our website every week.

THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR

with Fairtrade chocolate and The Christmas Story book

We have a small supply of these, suitable for small people (6-year-old Daniel says that the chocolate is the best he's tasted), but only available from Andy Bebington following our new lockdown. Please contact him (andy.bebington@gmail.com or **8777 4840**) to place your order at £4 each and to arrange delivery or collection. First come, first served.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Mary's Meals has an opening for a Supporter Engagement Officer in London - to develop local strategies and plans, to secure increased support and funding for its feeding programmes around the world. This is an exciting job that involves growing and nurturing the Mary's Meals volunteer network by building relationships with community volunteers, churches, schools and faith groups. **Closing date is 23rd November**. All the details can be found on the website here:

<https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/useful-links/work-for-us/supporter-engagement-officer-london>

