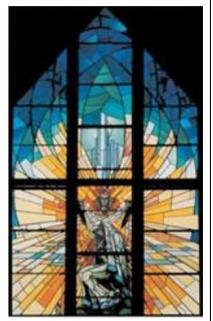




# Our Lady of the Annunciation



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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:  
 Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment

## 31st October 2021 All Saints Sunday YEAR B

### ATTENTION: IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that there **will not be an 11.30am Mass next Sunday, 7th November**, as instead Bishop Paul will be celebrating Confirmation for our young people at 12pm. This Mass will be very crowded so we kindly ask the congregation to attend at an alternative time next weekend. *Many thanks.*

### ALL SAINTS DAY

All baptized Christians who have died and are now with God in glory are considered saints. All Saints Day is intended to honour the memory of countless unknown and uncanonized saints who have no feast days. Today we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in His holiness and Heavenly glory as a reward for their Faith. This feast is observed to teach us to honour the saints, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession for us before Christ, the only mediator between God and man (1 Tm 2:5). The Church reminds us today that God's call for holiness is universal, that all of us are called to live in His love and to make His love real in the lives of those around us.

#### **Reasons why we honour the saints:**

1- The saints put their trust in Christ and lived heroic lives of Faith. St. Paul asks us to serve and honour such noble souls. In his Epistles to the Corinthians, to Philip, and to Timothy, he advises Christians to welcome, serve, and honour those who have put their trust in Jesus. The saints enjoy Heavenly bliss as a reward for their Faith in Jesus. Hence, they deserve our veneration of them.

2- The saints are our role models. They teach us by their lives that Christ's holy life of love, mercy, and unconditional forgiveness can be lived, with God's grace, by ordinary people from all walks of life and at all times.

3- The saints are our Heavenly mediators who intercede for us before Jesus, the only mediator between God and us. (Jas 5:16-18, Ex 32:13, Jer 15:1, Rv 8:3-4,).

**Life message:** We need to accept the challenge to become saints. Jesus exhorts us: "Be made perfect as your Heavenly Father is Perfect" (Mt 5:48). St. Augustine asked: "If she and he can become saints, why can't I?" (Si iste et ista, cur non ego?).

### **MEETINGS**

**SVP:** Tuesday 2nd at 8.30pm (PRC)  
**UCM:** Wednesday 3rd at 8pm (Large Hall)  
**PPC Working Party:** Thursday 4th at 7.45pm (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**  
 4th NOVEMBER - TEAM D

### **LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY**

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 586.15
Loose cash	£ 307.00
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1055.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 1948.15</b>

### **Mass Intentions This Week**

**30 October: Saturday**  
 10:00 Lucas, Ubaldina & Sylvia DeSouza RIP  
 18:00 John Walsh RIP

**31 October: ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**  
 08:30 Holy Souls  
 10:00 Mary Good RIP Anniversary  
 11:30 Matt Dolan RIP

**1 November: Monday FUNERAL MASS**  
 10:00 Bernice Lorenzo RIP

**2 November: Tuesday ALL SOULS**  
 10:00 Charles & Alice Sciberras RIP

**3 November: Wednesday**  
 10:00 Bernard Considine RIP

**4 November: Thursday**  
**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO**  
 10:00 Richard & Ellen Stevenson RIP

**FUNERAL MASS**  
 12.30 Maria Morris RIP  
 19:30 Anastasia McHugh RIP

**5 November: Friday**  
 10:00 Birthday Wishes for Cecilia Okeke

**6 November: Saturday**  
 10:00 Joseph Dieu Tran RIP  
 18:00 Sylvia & Alfred Nazareth & Family RIP

**7 November: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY**  
 08:30 20th Wedding Anniversary Wishes for Felix & Ruthi

10:00 UCM: All Confirmandii  
**CONFIRMATION MASS**  
 12:00 Ian & Thecla Sulzdorf RIP

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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

### **SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Last week's collection for *Missio* amounted to £855.15. Many thanks.

**We pray for the sick in our Parish:** Geoffrey Bird, Phyllis Donnelly, Elizabeth Casey, Ethan Patel, Fr Alan Sharpe, Karen Pearson, Jonathan Leiper, Brian Kearney, John Devereux

**We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week:** Peter Tuck, Douglas Morrison, Sean Gaffney, Patricia Aherne, Sylvia Desouza, Sylvia Pyne, Caroline Mozumder, Mary Good, Oscar Marshall, Anne Farrell, David Bassett, Maria Cowley, Michael Huggett, Vincenzina Lacovara, Frank Hadfield, Peter Lacovera, Ella Bloxham, Anastasia McHugh, Thecla Sulzdorf, Kathleen Duffy, Stan Moore, Terence Hicks, Mary Tims, Lilian White, Vera Hanrahan, Bernard Considine, Eileen McDonald, Dennis Barnett, Bridget Riordan, Sybil Corcoran, Peter Marengi, John Wynne, Denis Hathaway, Frieda Humphries, John Faragher

### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

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

**Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm**

31st October: Pete Brazil

7th November: Kenny Paul

14th November: TR Dallas

21st November: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

28th November: Frank Nelson

5th December: Glen Flynn

Thank you to our Members and Our Lady's Community for your support of the recent *Neil Diamond Tribute Evening*. The event raised £2,000.00; these resources will be used to provide activities for *Young People within our Parish Community*.

The *Freddie Mercury Tribute Evening* takes place on Friday, 12th November commencing at 7.30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the *Alzheimer's Society, Croydon*. Tickets at £10.00 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.

**Coming soon:**

- *ABBA Tribute Evening* on Friday, 10th December

The Social Club in partnership with Our Lady's Parish will be facilitating a *Christmas Raffle* to support three local charities; *The Alzheimer's Society, The Woodside Bereavement Service & Young Minds* (a charity which makes sure every young person gets the mental health support that they need, when they need it, no matter what and to stop young people's mental health reaching crisis point).

There will be three cash prizes of £500.00, £300.00 and £100.00 plus seven additional prizes. We still need items such as Christmas Hampers, Bottles of Spirits, Cases of Wine/Prosecco, Restaurant Vouchers, Sports merchandise, 4-Ball Golf Vouchers et al.

This weekend, you will be able to collect an envelope with 4 Books of Raffle Tickets. Further information on the Raffle is available on the Parish website - **Addiscombe Catholic Church**.

The Social Club will be supporting the annual *Pyjamas Appeal for Children up to 18 years of age* in Care or in Hospital over the weekend of 13th/14th November. A table will be available on the Sanctuary for you to place your sets of Pyjamas before every Mass.

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,

### 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.** 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.

### HELPING CATHOLICS TO RETURN

Do you know a friend or relative who has been away from the church and would like support or encouragement to return? We invite them to contact a team that offers a **non-judgemental forum** to help them reconnect with their Catholic faith at:

**landingsbeckenham@gmail.com**

### 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 **Sunday 21st November**, before ringing to arrange an appointment with Fr Keith. Appointments will run between **Monday 15th** and **Friday 26th November**.

**A MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION:** We would like to thank everyone who attended our *Welderlies Shades of Autumn* event last Wednesday and made it successful. Special thanks go to Fr Keith for making the hall available to us, and to our volunteers who prepared and donated high quality delicious refreshments. Above all we thank God for giving us the courage to interact again. Much love and blessings *Sylvia*.

### OUR LADY'S TODDLER GROUP - Birth to Pre School

Our Lady's Toddler Group is back up and running in the *Large Hall on Thursday mornings (term time only) from 9.30 - 11.30am*. All are welcome to attend, mums, dads, carers, grandparents, child minders.. parishioners and non-parishioners alike! There is so much to do & many friends to make. **Just £2 per adult on the door**, (children are FREE) no need to book in advance. Please spread the word and come along to play, craft, read, sing and have fun! We look forward to seeing you, *Andrea, Christine & Chris*

### PROPOSED PPC FOR ADDISCOMBE

On Thursday 30th September a small working party met together with Frs. Keith and Jackson to take the first steps towards establishing a Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) following the Parish Annual Meeting in July. The purposes of a PPC and how it might operate were discussed at some length, but most of the time was spent discussing and identifying what the membership of the PCC should be.

It was agreed that the membership should be as representative of the parish and its activities as possible.

An initial list of the parish organisations and activities was drawn up. These were then grouped into "blocks", linking organisations or activities with similar interests or concerns. It will take some time, given the number of organisations within the Parish, to contact them all about their representation. This will be done as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you would like to help in the process of setting up the PPC, please contact **Arthur Hughes** on **020 8654 3943** or email him at **arthur.hughes116@gmail.com**

For information, the next meeting of the working party will be at **7.45pm on November 4<sup>th</sup> in the PRC** when the composition of the PPC going forward will be further discussed.

### A MESSAGE FROM CAFOD

**Thank you for supporting our Climate Crisis Appeal** for our recent Family Fast Day. Every donation helps us in our work and is gratefully received. **cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis**

**Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26, from 31 October to 12 November.** There are prayer cards at the back of church; please do take one and pray that that world leaders will put the needs of marginalised communities around the world, those most affected by climate change, right at the heart of these climate talks. For more information see **cafod.org.uk/COP26**

*May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 and instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the most vulnerable.*

**Items for collection:** JPIC Co-ordinator, Francisco Serradilla-Mazuelos

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