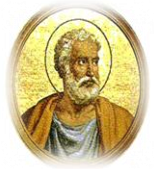




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**PARISH TEAM**

Parish Priest: Fr Roy Tablizo  
 Assistant Priest: Fr Joseph Ekene Nnalue  
 Assistant Priest: Fr Gerard Balinnya  
 Deacons: Rev Piotr Ziezio and Rev Errol Jadoc

**PARISH SCHOOL**

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**THE MONTH OF DECEMBER IS DEDICATED TO ADVENT AND THE COMING OF CHRIST**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)**

**WEEK COMMENCING 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**ALL MASSES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**SUNDAY** 5:00pm – 5:45pm  
**MONDAY – FRIDAY** 10:15am – 12:15pm  
**SATURDAY** 11:00am – 12:15pm



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**SATURDAY** 11:00am – 12noon  
 5:15pm – 5:45pm  
**SUNDAY** 5:15pm – 5:45pm



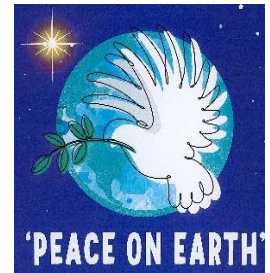
**ROSARY**

Sunday 8:00am  
 Monday-Friday 9:00am  
 and 11:30am  
 Saturday 11:30am



<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00pm	Holy Mass – Florentina Makuba RIP
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am <b>3:00pm–3:30pm</b> 6:00pm	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)</b> Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Sir Maurice Ahamofula Nwaogwugwu RIP Holy Mass – Frankie Desai RIP and Karl Walk RIP <b>DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS)</b> Holy Mass – Welfare of Mr and Mrs Taylor
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm <b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Feria</b> Holy Mass – Ambrose D'Souza RIP Holy Mass – Christina Gentleman RIP <b>Bible Study in the Presbytery</b>
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> Holy Mass – Welfare of Cecilia Colorado Holy Mass – Vivian Solanke RIP and Idong Edet RIP
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, Memorial</b> Holy Mass – William Stephen Bertie Wren RIP Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Goziem Omezi
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm 6:00pm	<b>St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Memorial</b> Holy Mass – Cyril D'Souza RIP Holy Mass – Marcellina Ibiyemi Kajero Blessed RIP <b>Francis Chappell &amp; Sons Memorial Carol Service</b> <b>NO PARISH SURGERY – PHONE THE OFFICE FOR AN APPOINTMENT</b>
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm <b>7:00pm–8:00pm</b>	<b>Feria</b> Holy Mass – Brandon Da Silva in Thanksgiving Holy Mass – 70th Birthday Thanksgiving for Lelia Ngozi Orjih <b>Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00am– 11:30am 12:00noon- 2:00pm 12:00 noon 12:30pm 3:00pm – 4:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm–8:00pm	<b>Feria</b> <b>First Holy Communion Programme in Pugin Place</b> <b>Confirmation Programme in Pugin Place</b> <b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Fr Roy <b>RCIA Programme in Pugin Place</b> Holy Mass – Yves Boussamba RIP <b>Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm–3:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm–8:00pm	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)</b> <span style="float:right"><b>Gaudete Sunday</b></span> Holy Mass – Deceased Members of the Clancy Family (Foundation) Holy Mass – Anna Krejcarova RIP - 15th Anniversary Mass Holy Mass – People of the Parish <b>DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS)</b> Holy Mass – Welfare of Geraldine Murphy <b>Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass</b>

**GREENWICH DEANERY**  
**ADVENT SERVICE**  
**EXPOSITION OF THE**  
**BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**BENEDICTION &**  
**CONFESSION**



**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**  
**at 3:00pm**  
**at Our Lady of Grace Church**  
**Charlton Road**  
**SE7 7EZ**

**ADVENT APPEAL**  
**THIS WEEKEND**

**9<sup>th</sup> December/10<sup>th</sup> December**  
 This weekend we welcome the **Little Sisters of the Poor** who will be making an appeal during our weekend Masses to raise funds in aid of caring for the Elderly at St Peter's Residence in Vauxhall.  
 Thank you for your generosity

**FLOWERS**

During the Advent Season we will not be displaying any flowers in the church in accordance with the church norm. If you would like to make a donation to decorate the church for Christmas, it will be greatly appreciated.



**Next Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December is the Birthday of our**  
**Parish Priest, Fr Roy Tablizo.**  
**The Priests and Parishioners wish him a very Happy Birthday.**  
**Many happy returns of the day!**



**MASS FOR DECEASED (2023) PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Please note the **6:00pm Mass on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December** will be offered for the **Deceased of 2023**. Many families have faced bereavement when **close members** of their family have died either in this country or abroad.  
**We ask you to give us their names so they can be remembered on the last day of this year 2023.**  
**Please email or hand in your list to the parish office.**



## FILIPINOS NINE DAY MASSES (NOVENA)

Catholics in the Philippines have celebrated their own pre-Christmas novena for 600 years. *Simbang Gabi* (Tagalog for "Night Mass") is a series of nine Masses traditionally celebrated in the pre-dawn hours each day from December 16 to December 24. It is a series of nine dawn masses on the days leading up to Christmas. It begins on December 16 and ends at midnight on the 24th of December, when a midnight mass is held. This tradition was introduced by the Spanish friars to allow the farmers to hear mass before going to the fields early in the morning. The masses can start as early as 4 in the morning. *Simbang Gabi* is also known by its popular Spanish name, *Misa de Gallo*, or "Mass of the Rooster."

**Here at St Peter's Church, we will introduce the nine day masses but it will begin on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December from 7:00pm – 8:00pm. Please let your family and friends come to this special mass before Christmas. Simbang Gabi is not just a tradition that is celebrated because it is necessary; it is the spiritual preparation for Christmas and commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. The celebration is also seen as a way of requesting blessings from the Lord.**

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



Parents wishing to have their children baptised in **FEBRUARY 2024** should attend the Pre-Baptism Programme on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. This programme will **start at 7pm and end at 9pm** and will be held in Pugin Place.

**Please note: Parents should submit the Baptism Form and other relevant paperwork to the Parish Office before attending the programme.**

**Those attending the above Session will have their children baptised on the following dates:  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024 after the 11:45am Mass.**



Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the South East warmly invites you to the Christmas Carol Service of the South-East Pastoral Area, Archdiocese of Southwark Parishes in the Deaneries of Bexley; Bromley; Camberwell; Greenwich; Lambeth and Lewisham

**Sunday 17th December 2023 Gaudete Sunday at 7.30pm**

**Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Brixton Hill 11 Trent Road, London, SW2 5BJ**

**Theme: Peace on Earth**

**Principal Celebrant: The Right Reverend Philip Moger, Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Southwark**

## CHRISTMAS ENVELOPES

The Christmas Envelopes are used for the collection at Masses for Christmas Day, which is the traditional 'Thank You' collection by parishioners to the priests of their parish for their work and service. Priests here receive no salary whatsoever for their work and depend on the generosity of parishioners for sustenance. The money in the Christmas Envelopes and the collection on Christmas Day will be shared equally by the clergy. Please note that those of you in the parish **GIFT AID SCHEME** should use your Gift Aid envelopes for the Christmas Collection and hand this in. The priests will get your offering and the Parish will *benefit from the tax refund on your offering*.



**In Partnership with Housing Justice, Caritas Southwark** is hosting an online information session on **13 December 2023, 7.30-8.30 PM** for people interested in becoming a host for a refugee. Please scan this other QR code to register for the event. Alternatively, you can email Caritas directly and we can forward the link to you. [caritassouthwark@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:caritassouthwark@rcaos.org.uk)

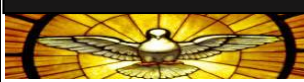
## ST PETER'S FAMILY BIBLE STUDY

Please join us in our Bible Study every Monday evening at 7:30pm in the Presbytery.



The Youth of St Peter's Church aged 11 – 17 years are welcome to join the Youth Ministry. **The Youth Ministry is looking for new Youth Leaders to join. If you are interested, please contact Cyril on 07843 814274 (Youth Ministry Coordinator)**

## Friends in the Holy Spirit



**Friends in the Holy Spirit (FitHS) Catholic Charismatic Renewal** prayer group will resume on Friday 12th January 2024 at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join in the fellowship.

**May we be encouraged to continue in our good spirit of Christian charity, to support the works of evangelisation through our Parish Ministries as we continue to make our donations as follows:**

### OPTION 1

### OPTION 2

### OPTION 3

Online donations

#### BANK DETAILS:

NatWest Bank: RCAS Woolwich

Sort Code: 60 24 26 Account Number: 16163400

**Please use your name as a reference (gift aiders please add their envelope number).**

Contactless Giving – these machines are situated in the church lobby.



You can also donate by scanning the QR code.

Thank you for last week's Offertory Collection of £1,509.51

**GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY**

## SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family.

Annie D'Sa  
Emmanuel and Florence Meshe

Francis Ayodele  
Francis Matajo

John Branch  
Juliet Townsend

Maggie Dempsey  
Mary Odih  
Myriam Achille

Sheila Lee  
Sick Priests of the Diocese



## ANNIVERSARIES

**Let us remember our departed brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again:**

Andrew Murphy  
Ann Jones  
Ann Simpson  
Anna Krejcarova  
Anne Fitzgerald  
Augustine Feeney  
Bridget Daniels

Catherine Gladys Datson  
Charlie Collins  
Clifford Fitzpatrick  
David Cooper  
Deborah Loraine  
Elizabeth Adams  
Ellen Wilson

Ethel O'Brien  
Eva Loveday  
Frank Maguire  
Frank Ostutu  
George Robertson  
Hugh Duddy  
Ivey Sankey

Johannah Parker  
John Sullivan  
Joseph Simpson  
Julia Bryant  
Julio Bacariza  
Katherine Dawson  
Lena Rozario-Martin

Lilley Fisher  
Lillian Bulman  
Michael Gallagher  
Michael Keady  
Paddy Powell  
Patrick Twohig  
Pattista D'Souza

Paul Gerrard Galea  
Robert Kinsley  
Sean King  
Stanley Abraham  
Sylvia Ann Holczimmer  
Tom Keane

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE!**

## COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**Nigerian Community** meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place

**Filipino Community** meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 4:00pm for Holy Mass in the church thereafter in Pugin Place

**Cameroon Community** meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place

**Catholic Women Organisation at St Peters (CWO)** meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place

**Ghanaian Community** meets every last Sunday of the month after 10am Mass in Pugin Place

**St Peter the Apostle's Professionals & Trades Network (Spaptan)** meets every last Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place