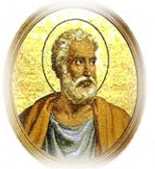




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Parish Priest: Fr Roy Tablizo
Assistant Priest: Fr Jonas Opoku-Gyamfi
Assistant Priest: Fr Michael Eze
Deacons: Rev Piotr Ziezio and Rev Errol Jadoc

PARISH SCHOOL

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)
WEEK COMMENCING 21st DECEMBER 2025
ALL MASSES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY – 10:30am – 12:15pm
SATURDAY 11:00am – 12noon
 5:15pm – 5:45pm
SUNDAY 5:15pm – 5:45pm



ROSARY

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



Saturday 20th
 6:00pm

Holy Mass – John Ainabe RIP

Sunday 21st
 8:30 am
 10:00 am
 11:45 am
 3:00 pm
 6:00pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)
 Holy Mass – To All the Children at St Peter's Church
 Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Chimdiuto
 Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Veronica Jinadu
DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS)
 Holy Mass – People of the Parish

Monday 22nd
 9:30am
 12:30pm

Feria
 Holy Mass – Thanksgiving for Vitalis and Judith Uzogarah
 Holy Mass – Adeola Ebeyemi RIP

Tuesday 23rd
 9:30am
 12:30pm

Feria
 Holy Mass – Joke Ajibola RIP
 Holy Mass – Deceased members of the Lynam Family

Wednesday 24th
 9:30am
 12:30pm
 6:00pm
 11:30pm
 12:00 Midnight

Feria **CHRISTMAS EVE**
 Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Chimkasimma Ezewuize
 Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Mary Obemearor
Christmas Children's Mass – Children of the Parish
Carol Service – Doors open at 11.00pm
Christmas Midnight Mass – Intentions of the Celebrant

Thursday 25th
 8:30am
 10:00am
 11:45am

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD **CHRISTMAS DAY**
 Holy Mass – People of the Parish
 Holy Mass – Rudy and Remy McDonald in Thanksgiving
 Holy Mass – All Deceased Members of the Roopnarine Family
NO EVENING MASS

Friday 26th
 10:00am

St Stephen, Deacon, the First Martyr **BANK HOLIDAY**
 Holy Mass – Welfare of Catherine Ganda

Saturday 27th
 12 noon
 12:30pm
 6:00pm

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist,
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 Holy Mass – Charlie Kirk RIP
 Holy Mass – Bryan James Curtis RIP

Sunday 28th
 8:30 am
 10:00 am
 11:45 am
 3:00 pm
 6:00pm

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (A)
 Holy Mass – Arunn Neisan Marusaleen RIP
 Holy Mass – Thanksgiving for the family of Bernard Anigbo
 Holy Mass – Thanksgiving for the Igbo Community
DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS)
 Holy Mass – People of the Parish

CHRISTMAS ENVELOPES

The Christmas Envelopes are used for the collection at Christmas Masses, which is the traditional “Thank You” offering from parishioners to the priests of the parish for their work and service. The priests here receive no salary for their ministry and depend on the generosity of parishioners for their personal income. The money collected in the Christmas Envelopes, together with the Christmas Day collection, will be shared equally among the priests. Please note that those of you in the parish Gift Aid Scheme should use your Gift Aid envelopes for the Christmas Collection and hand them in. In this way, the priests will receive your offering, and the parish will benefit from the tax refund on your gift. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

We wish you a joyful celebration of the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

We pray as we continue to trust in the compassion of the Lord Jesus and for us to find solace and relief only in the coming of our Saviour.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy and Holy New Year!

Thank you for all your love, cards, gifts, prayers, and friendship.
God Bless...

From
Fr Roy, Fr Jonas and Fr Michael

ARCHBISHOP'S MESSAGE

In his annual Christmas message, Archbishop John Wilson said: “The beautiful truth of Christmas is that because of God in Christ we are never lost. God chose to be near us, to stay close to us always, to draw us to himself, always. In his endless mercy, the Lord Jesus chose to love us, so we could know and believe that “God is love” (1 John 4:16). In turn, all the Lord Jesus asks of us is to not be afraid and to say yes to him, to draw close to him, to love him”. You can watch and read the full message at, rcaos.org.uk/christmasmessage2025.

BOOKING AN APPOINTMENT

PARISHIONERS WISHING TO SPEAK TO A PRIEST, PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents wishing to have their children baptised in **FEBRUARY 2026** should attend the Baptism Programme on **TUESDAY 27th JANUARY 2026**.



This programme will start at 7pm and end at 9pm and will be held in Pugin Place.

PLEASE NOTE: PARENTS MUST FIRST SUBMIT ALL RELEVANT PAPERWORK TO THE PARISH OFFICE

Those attending the above session will have their children baptised on the following dates:

Sunday 8th February 2026 and 22nd February 2026 after the 11:45am Mass.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION - FOR ADULTS 2025-2026 SESSION - Want to become a Catholic?

The RCIA is a programme for adults who wish to be in full communion with the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. **The Programme will take place every Saturday at 10:00am in the Presbytery.**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2026

Programme will commence on Saturday 10th January 2026 from 1:30pm – 2:30pm in Pugin Place. Canon Victor Darlington will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 11th July 2026 at 12 noon.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY NOTICE BOARD LITTLE CHURCH

Little Church will resume on Sunday 11th January 2026.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Classes will commence on Saturday 10th January 2026 at 10:00am in Pugin Place



Friends in the Holy Spirit (FitHS) Catholic Charismatic Renewal prayer group invite you to join our fellowship on Fridays at 7pm-8:30pm to support our parish community needs by prayer, thanksgiving and praise to our loving and merciful God.

Friends in the Holy Spirit



PARISH NEWS



TEA AND COFFEE MORNING

Parishioners are invited to pop into Pugin Place after the 11.45am Mass for Tea & Coffee every Sunday. This is courtesy of the Catholic Women Organisation (CWO) of the parish.

SOCIAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

The Social Welfare Committee have agreed to make every 1st Sunday of the Month **"A Food Charity Sunday"**. Please can we ask you, once again, to donate **NON-PERISHABLE** food for those who are struggling on a daily basis and who do not have access to food banks. Thank you for your kind generosity. **WE HAVE READY TO COLLECT FOOD BAGS FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT.**

FILIPINOS NINE DAY MASSES (NOVENA)

Here at St Peter's Church, we will introduce the nine-day masses beginning on Monday 15th December – Monday 23rd 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.

St Peter's Youth Club will take place every Sunday from 4:00pm to 6:00pm at Pugin Place. For ages 10 to 18 years old. Activities include music, board games, as well as a short time for prayers and reflection. It's a wonderful opportunity for our youth to make friends, unwind, and deepen their spiritual journey in a fun and safe environment. We look forward to welcoming your children!



MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS (2025)

The 12.30pm Mass on Wednesday, 31st December will be offered for all who have died during 2025. The names of parishioners, family and friends who have passed away this year will be called out during the Mass. We also remember the many families who have faced bereavement through the loss of loved ones, whether here in this country or abroad. If you would like the name of a relative or friend included, please let us know—we would be honoured to remember them in this final Mass of 2025.

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.

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:

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 YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

LAST WEEK'S TOTAL COLLECTIONS: £2,527.87

BAG COLLECTION: £1,707.22 ONLINE DONATIONS: £245.00 CONTACTLESS DONATIONS: £575.65

Donation for Redecorating the church - £500.00

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Bridget Jordan
Mrs Elizabeth Akinde

Florence Meshe
Francis Ayodele

Francis Matajo
Mary Odih

Myriam Achille
Sheila Lee

Sick Priests of the Diocese

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Alexander Henderson
Ann Warner
Arunn Marisaleen
Bridget Brown
Bridget Mullane
Carol Ifeoma Udogaranya

Catherine Williams
Christina McGonigle
Christina Nolan
Delia Budd
Eileen Shine
Elaine Smith

Elizabeth Freeder
Ellen Francis
Honora Jacobs
Hugh Rozario
Jacqui Daly
John Presley

Margaret Mulvihill
Mark Turner
Mary Ellen White
Mary Feeney
Mary Osioh
Maureen Atuisaka

Philet Ngasseu-Possi
Reynaldo Correa
Richard Masterson
Rogue Mascarchas
Rosalind Abdul
Rosemary Hunt

Shirley Murphy
Stephen Patterson
William Curry
William McGeoghan
William Stanley Meeks
Yacob Hagos

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Nigerian Community	Ugandan Community	Filipino Community	Cameroon Community	Igbo Community	Catholic Women Organisation (CWO)	Ghanaian Community	St Peter the Apostle's Professionals & Trades Network (Spaptan)
1 st Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	1 st Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place (small hall)	2 nd Saturday of the month at 3:30pm for Holy Mass in the church thereafter in Pugin Place	2 nd Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	2 nd Sunday in every 2 months after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	3 rd Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	last Sunday of the month after 10am Mass in Pugin Place	Last Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place