

NEWS AND VIEWS

Sunday 11.30am Mass streaming link: You can also scan with the QR Code below. <https://bit.ly/st-gabriel> Sunday Masses will be streamed during 11.30am



First Holy Communion: The Catechists will be meeting with parents of the 2025 group on **Sunday 29th September at 10am** in the meeting room. All potential parents both registered and yet to register candidates should please come for this meeting.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2025: It is time to register for these 2 sacraments. The catechism classes will start from September. To be eligible for First Communion, the child must be **7years by the 31st of August**. For confirmation, the candidate must be **13years by the 31st of August**. Please pick up the registration forms from the Parish Office.

RCIA 2025 is for adults who want to convert to or be fully received into the Catholic Church. The sessions will start from the **19th of October**. Please endeavour to fill up your forms and submit them in the Parish Office for documentation.

Food Donations for the needy: Thank you to parishioners that have responded to our call for help. We humbly request for the following: **pot noodles, tinned fish, biscuits, soft drinks, tea, milk (longlife), sugar and coffee.**

Parish Charity Auction/Fundraising Event: This event will take place on **Saturday 26th October at 6pm**. Since it is a parish event, **all other activities for that Saturday evening will be cancelled.** The vigil Mass will be cancelled as well to enable full participation from parishioners and priests of our community at the event. More details will be published on our weekly bulletins and other forms of social media.

Gratitude: The Avanzi family will like to thank everyone who showed them kindness in their time of grief from the death of Miranda. Masses have been booked for 9am and 11.30am this weekend for those intentions.

Parish Project Collection will be taken at all Masses next weekend. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our church.

100 September draw: The 1st prize of £187 went to no.68; 2nd prize of £75 to no. 18; prizes of £37 to nos.19, 54 & 98. £377 was raised for parish funds. The next draw is on **Friday 4th Oct. after the 1st Fri. Service**. Subscriptions due in by the weekend of 28th/29th Sept. New Members Welcome!

Christian Stewardship: 15th September 2024

Envelopes: £207.50 **Loose:** £355.28 **Contactless:** £0.00 We also receive £700 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support for our parish.

September Diary

Weekend of 28th/29th: **Parish Project Collection**
 Sunday 29th @ 10am: **Parents of First Communion 2025 Group meeting with Catechists**
 Every Last Saturday of the month: **Baptism (always confirm in the parish office)**
 Every Saturday at 10.30am: **Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions in the main Sacristy**
 Every Saturday evening after Mass: **Bingo in the meeting room**
 Every Tuesday after the noon Mass: **Parish social forum in the Meeting Room**
 Every 1st Friday: 12 noon **Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction followed by 100 Club in the Meeting Room** 7.45pm **Parish Quiz in the Meeting Room**

Important Diary Dates

- **October 26th** — Parish Charity Auction/Fundraising/Entertainment Evening.
- **Dec. 13th @ 6.30pm** -Parish Carol Concert
- **Dec. 15th @ 11.30am** —Volunteers Mass

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+ 25th Sunday In Ordinary Time, Year B
22nd September 2024



We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

Our readings this Sunday reflect this human tendency to evil. The First Reading bemoans the plot of the wicked: "Let us ambush the just man since he annoys and opposes our way of life..." Jesus was a target because as a force for good, he had to be resisted by a sinful world. He predicted his impending violent death in the Gospel. The opposition to him came almost with the announcement of his birth as the King Herod massacred all newly born males in the bid to eliminate him. Things escalated as soon as he started his public ministry and came to climax with his crucifixion and death. Despite this, both this week and next week, there is a contrast in the message that Jesus welcomes and blesses. Perhaps this tells us something about Jesus and his mission: despite the gathering clouds, he is still the manifestation of God's love for all his children, a love that will be most clearly displayed when he faces that death for our sake. There is one chilling phrase which links these events together, in the first reading, where the plotters against the good man say, "Let us test him with cruelty and torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his." The cold calculation of this is not far removed from the plotting of those who saw in Jesus a threat to their positions - with all his purity of worship and faith, with all his "reproaches for our breaches of the law". There is indeed a storm gathering. But the last line of the first reading, though meant mockingly, will come true: "God will look after him - we have his word for it." And three days after his death he will rise again.

Mass Times & Intentions 22nd – 28th September 2024

Sat 21st Vigil Mass 6:30pm: Liam Breslin, Pat McCarthy (RIP), Marcos Perdiguero, Maria Elena de Miguel, Eileen Malone, Dora Yiannakis (INT)

Sun 22nd 9:00am: Sally & Patrick Sweeney (ANN), Habtom Tekle family, Chiara Habtom Tekle (Birthday), Thanksgiving from Avanzi family, Maria Piroli (INT)

11:30am: John Wilham Togher (RIP), Con O'Leary (31st), Katie Howard (4th) (ANN), Linda Thompson, Amaobi Maduakor & family, Thanksgiving from Avanzi family (INT)

6:30pm: Essien-Oku family (INT)

Mon 23rd St Pius of Pietrelcina 12 noon: Mary Mullaney (RIP), Patrick McAndrey, Gilbert Thomas (15th) (ANN)

Tue 24th Our Lady of Walsingham 12 noon: Ivy Coelho (ANN), Maureen Tayler, John Higgins (Get well), Jackie Higgins (Get well) (INT)

Wed 25th 12 noon: Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi (RIP), Ginika Anakor (Birthday), Sadie McCloskey & family (INT)

Thurs 26th 12 noon: Ricky Mazur (ANN), Crizel Denira Dias (INT)

Fri 27th St Vincent de Paul 12 noon: People of the Parish

Sat 28th 12 noon: Spiritan Community, Archway



Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Jarlet Fallon, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Emo Essang, Madeleine Hourihan, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Gloria Munian, Teresa O'Dea, Percy Shackell, Ola Gam-Ikon, Eddy Renwick, Gino Avanzi, Nicholas Stephens, Anastasia Nervais, Margaret Foley, Sr Joseph, Prince Henshaw, Maureen Esspay, John Alan, Private Intentions. Rashmi, Joan Fitzgerald, Savindra de Alwis,

Parish Projects

1. Replacing expired Church meeting room roof (Abbey Roofing) £17,900 + VAT= bal. £9,900. **Trinity Fund £8,000 granted**
 2. Refurbishing 722 Holloway Road, Church reclaimed property (Ozzy Home Repairs Ltd) £20,000 paid in full by **National Lottery Fund**
 3. New Security Gate around Parish Carpark/ Exit on Holloway Road (Harling Security Solutions) £25,522 + VAT
- Donations towards the projects would be highly appreciated. Donations so far received **£36,201.83** Thanks.

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritan) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Parish Priests: Fr. Moses Enehizena CSSp, Fr. Remigius Nduhuisi CSSp, Fr Isah Katuka CSSp, Fr Martin Goba CSSp

Parish Office Team: Patricia Essien-Oku, Maureen Tayler, Mary Aherne, Joan FitzGerald, Jerrico Luna CSSp

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Confessions Sat.11am. 6pm, before Masses Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am

Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays 12noon Prayer/Faith Group: Sat. 10am

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



Food For Thought

"Today can be the beginning of anything you want."

"Make the rest of your life the best of your life."

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

FIRST READING Wisdom 2:12.17-20

The godless say to themselves: 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. 'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 53)

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name;
by your power, uphold my cause.
O God, hear my prayer;
listen to the words of my mouth.

R.

For proud men have risen against me,
ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God.

R.

But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good.

R.

SECOND READING James 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Carmel Cannon
Rachel McGonigal
Mark Renner
Anna Renner

Eucharist Minister

June G
Innocent
June G & Roxanne
Michelle C

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe
Joseph Ogbonna

The Spiritual Communion Prayer (For Online Mass) ONLY

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise You,
We bless You,
We adore you,
We glorify You,
We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

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- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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