



ST ALBAN

Parish Newsletter – 12TH December 2021
+ 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18
Psalm: Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.
Second reading: Philippians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

MASS TIMES w/c- 12th December 2021

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am
Wednesday: 9.30am
Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am
11.30am Funeral service
(Angela Philocratious)
Saturday: 6pm
*Church will remain open during the day
for private prayer.*

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Parish website

Visit our website
parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth
for all weekly updates and

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Until further notice, children's liturgy will
be online weekly, via our website.

REPOSITORY

Open after both Sunday Masses. New
products in the Repository information
can be found on our website.

PARISH COVID PROTOCOLS

With the daily news about Omicron variant, there is much discussion and concern about its further spread. At this time, there is still need for those with expertise to assess and better evaluate the evidence. With respect to the current situation with the Omicron variant it is important to ensure the following points are followed in church.

- That people displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person. Sunday mass will be live streamed.
- Please use the hand sanitiser as you enter the church.
- There is a strong recommendation for people to wear face covering (both nose and mouth) during the act of worship.
- There will be good ventilation and air throughout the building. In this case, because of climate conditions, it is important to wrap up well in the church!
- We encourage people to get vaccinated and have the booster jab when able.

There is now very strong evidence to support that the main mode of transmission is through breath and nasal aerosols and that the risk from surface and touch transmission is very small indeed. As such, the strict regimes of church cleaning that were recommended at the beginning of the opening of churches for public worship are no longer necessary. General church cleaning is sufficient. If these guidance points are supported, then the church will continue to be a safe place for people to gather for acts of public worship, including the Christmas period.

MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve 5pm Family Mass (Children are welcome to dress as characters from the Nativity scene) and 8pm night Mass of the Nativity.

Christmas Day 9.30am and 11.30am.
Sunday 26th December Feast of the Holy Family 9.30am and 11.30am.

Parish QR code
For online donations



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS:

To arrange a baptism please contact Fr Dermot.

FUNERALS:

It is the normal procedure to first contact your chosen Funeral Director. They will liaise with Fr Dermot.

Weddings:

Preparation for marriage:
Six months' notice is required. Please contact Fr Dermot.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 5.15pm

REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH

Registration forms are available from the porch. Complete and return to the Presbytery. Thank you.

ST BANABAS FOODBANK

Accepts donations of food each Saturday between 9.30 & 12.30. They are open for those in need on Monday's 12.30-2pm.
913 High Road, North Finchley.

NEWSLETTER

If you wish to receive a copy of our weekly newsletter by email, please sign up by using the website e-Alert or, email the parish office to request.



THANK YOU

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Quiz night by coming along, or donating. We raised £700 to be divided between the Finchley Food bank and St Joseph's Pastoral Centre.

CONTACTLESS GIVING

There is a device situated in the church porch which enables those who wish to donate in this fashion.

FINCHLEY FOOD BANK COLLECTION

FINCHLEY FOOD BANK COLLECTION is restarting. Essentials include: pasta, rice, tinned foods, tea, coffee, sugar, toiletries, toilet roll, sanitary towels etc. Christmas treats - cake, mince pies and chocolates. Thank you - the collection box is in the porch. 'Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, you unto me' Mt 25:46

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL-APPLICATIONS

Applications are invited for Reception Class for September 2022-this is for children born between 1st September 2017 & 31st August 2018. The deadline to return this to the school is 15th January 2022. The forms are available to download on the school website. Please also be advised that you will need to complete a CAF (Common Application Form) from Barnet, the on-line system is already open. Applications are invited for the **Nursery** for the Academic Year starting September 2022. This is for children born between 1st April 2019 & 31st March 2020. The deadline to return this to the school office is 31st January 2022. Please contact the school office or visit the website for an application pack.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

The priest's salary is mostly made up from the collections taken at Christmas and Easter. You can find envelopes at the exit doors of the church that you may wish to bring away as a reminder of this.

PARENT & TODDLER

The playgroup is now up and running from **9:45am – 11:15am** on Mondays

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sunday	12th December	9:30am	Angelo Alfano	RIP
		11:30am	Susie Owens	RIP
Monday	13th December	9.30am	Mr & Mrs Grace Edwards	RIP
Tuesday	14th December	9:30am	Nelson Da Cunha & Stanislaw Miecz Kowaska	RIP
Wednesday	15th December	9:30am	Marie Sullivan	RIP
Thursday	16th December	9.30am	Jim & Rene Rupert	RIP
Friday	17th December	9.30am	Lilian Bullock	RIP
Saturday	18th December	6pm	John Riley	RIP

all the recently departed and their loved ones

Angela Philocratious

and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time:

Lilian Bullock Gerard Ferris Delfina Paganini