

THIS WEEK:

Monday— Saturday: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to 11am
unless Funeral or other Mass to
follow

Monday: Mass in the Day Chapel
also at 6.30pm

Friday: Evening Mass at 6.30^{pm}

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

NOVEMBER: Total : £12,600.11

Weekly average: £3,150

Many thanks for your continued support.

It really helps us if you can use the contactless machine, gift aid, standing order or direct debit for your offertory/tithe.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The annual Christmas collection often goes towards funding the works of the British Province of the Society of Jesus, and some of it is distributed to Jesuit works in other areas. Once again this Christmas the collection, in its entirety, goes towards our SOCIAL APOSTOLATE. We are grateful to the Provincial of the British Jesuits for this generosity.

SEE INSIDE FOR ALL THE DETAILS OF THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SERVICES

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8^{am}, 9:30^{am}, 11^{am}

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 7:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday— Saturday: 10am Mass

Evening Mass on Monday and Friday

at 6.30^{pm}

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or *by appointment at the Presbytery.*

Rosary: 11am each weekday.

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ.

Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ, Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

SJ Superior: Fr. Michael Holman SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ (JRS), Fr. John Moffatt SJ (LJC), Br. Stephen Power SJ (Admin), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Visiting SJ priests: Fr. Angga Indraswara (Indonesia) Fr. Bee Ruankool (Thai), Fr. Christophère Ngolele (Congo), Fr. Inos Chimire (Zimbabwe)

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm

Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

If you have any concerns about safety or well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safeguarding Representatives: Attracta Asika 079 0544 5938 and Aga Wiecek, 077 3681 9943



4th Advent Year A
18 December, 2022

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

In our Gospel reading today we hear of the news that Mary was expecting a baby, and of how much this affected Joseph, with whom she was betrothed to be married. You can find a very beautiful picture of the betrothal at our St Joseph Altar, with the high priest witnessing. How does Joseph react to this surprising and troubling news? Joseph reminds us not to judge others by the world's standards; if he had done this, God's plan would not have been carried out in the way that it was. Joseph listens to God and does God's will as best he can; he does his best, and that is all that God expects of us; we are not expected to do the impossible; we can leave that to God. But we must do what we feel God is calling us to do.

At the centre of our salvation as Christians is the event which we are to commemorate next Sunday: Christmas Day. The event happening before Joseph's eyes for nine long months was something impossible and strange becoming something possible and wondrous. God asked a difficult thing of Joseph and he accepted what was being asked of him in trust.

While God doesn't put burdens on families, today's gospel reassures us all that, even in situations of conflict and confusion, God is faithful. Despite all our uncertainties and difficulties God is born again into our lives, builds us up and stays with us.

For our God is named Emmanuel -- truly God is with us.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of RICHARD TAYLOR, who died during the past week. We have no news yet about the funeral. Richard was very active in the parish over many years, more recently as a reader and Eucharistic minister. May he Rest in Peace.

Response to the Psalm Today: Let the Lord enter! He is the King of Glory.

GHANAIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

Calling on all Ghanaian Catholics to join the above stated association for a common cause.

We meet the second Sunday of every month at the Presbytery.

Interested members can call 07477690756.Thanks.



SOCIAL APOSTOLATE FOOD COLLECTION: volunteer drivers please. We need to set up a rota of drivers/cars for food collection from various shops/businesses on Monday (2 stores in N4 and N13), Tuesday (1 store in N9) and Wednesday (2 stores in NW11 and N22) mornings. Please contact the parish by email if you can help. Many thanks, Kasia and Gabi.

ALTAR SERVERS

New altar servers are very welcome to join our serving staffs for the Sunday morning Masses: 8am, 9.30am and 11am. Children or teenagers who have received their First Holy Communion are welcome to volunteer.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:

Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

NIGERIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

All Nigerian Catholics are invited to join us every last Sunday of the month in the presbytery after the 11am Mass.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR 2022

CHRISTMAS EVE Saturday:

Latin American Mass at 6.30pm

Polish Mass at 9pm

English ("Midnight") Carols and Mass from 10:15pm

No Mass at Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY Sunday:

English Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am

Polish Mass at 12:30pm

NO AFTERNOON or EVENING MASS

26th (Monday) St Stephen

10am Mass

11.30am Mass in Polish

no evening Mass

27, 28, 29, 30 (Holy Family): 10am Mass

31 (Saturday): Mass at 10am and 6:30pm

Midnight: *MIDNIGHT MASS of the NEW YEAR*

1ST January MARY MOTHER OF GOD

English Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am

Polish Mass at 12:30pm, 7:30pm

Latin American Mass at 4:30pm

EPIPHANY (Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday 5th: Vigil Mass at 6.30pm

Friday 6th: Mass at 10am and 6.30pm

Confessions: each weekday after the 10am Mass