**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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# PARISH NOTICES

✠ **SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS:** Today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can make a one-off donation or set up a regular gift and become a **Patron** by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at **rcdow.org.uk/SRP** – the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

✠ **FOOD BANK:** We are asking you to continue donating food and thank you for your generosity to those who've already done so. Fr Bernard has agreed that we can build up a pantry of supplies for our own parishioners, especially those in most need, in case of an emergency.

✠ **HALL SIGNBOARD:** Unfortunately, the board couldn't be removed on 10th November so it's been rescheduled for the 24th November. Until then please be vigilant whilst you are entering and leaving the hall. We ask you not to chat with each other outside of the hall and please be especially careful to supervise children and the infirm whilst entering and leaving it. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

✠ **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 – CANDLE FUNDRAISING:** We are a group of young people from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Brixton, hoping to attend World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. For us, this pilgrimage is much more than a trip. On previous pilgrimages, young people from our community have discovered their vocations, met their future spouses, and even gone on to become priests. We hope to give every young person the chance to experience something equally life-changing, regardless of their financial circumstances. To help make this possible, we've been making handmade candles, which we'll be offering after Mass on Sunday 22nd November. Any support would mean so much to us!

✠ **CONFIRMATION:** Application forms for 2027 Confirmations are at the back of the church, please complete and hand back into the office or post them in to the black post-box on the wall outside it.

✠ **LUMINISCENCE:** See the flyers at the back of church for this show in Westminster Cathedral. Jackie highly recommends it.

✠ **WINTERSHALL:** Attendees can discover the true meaning of Christmas with an unforgettable immersive event for all the family. They stand with the shepherds, walk with Mary, Joseph and the donkey, journey with Roman soldiers and enter the stable to watch the miracle unfold.Tickets can be booked here: https://www.wintershall.org.uk/event/the-nativity-journey/ Please see the flyer in the porch.

✠ **APPOINTMENTS WITH FR BERNARD:** Fr Bernard is only available to meet with parishioners on **Wednesdays** from 11am.

✠ **BAPTISM:** Before your child can be Baptised parents must make an appointment to meet with Fr Bernard, at least one of whom should be a Baptised, practicing Catholic. Under Canon Law there must be a reasonable expectation that Catholic parents requesting Baptism of their child should be practicing their faith. Fr Bernard requires the Baptism certificates of the parents and the Baptism **and** Confirmation certificates of each Godparent. Please contact the office to make an appointment.

✠ **PARISH GROUPS:** Everyone, parishioners and non-parishioners, are welcome to join these groups:
**THE EVERGREEN CLUB:** meet on Mondays 1-3pm in the church hall for a chat over tea/coffee, biscuits and cake, play games and bingo. It's a chance to meet new friends and is open to all ages.

**MEDITATION:** Have you ever wondered what meditation is about? If so, why not join our meditation at Our Lady's in Stephendale Road. We meet every Wednesday from 6.30-7.30pm for this ancient way of silent prayer (entrance is at the first door to the left of the church building in Tynemouth Street). Introduction and guidance will be given. Any questions ask Fr Bernard or email Pia: pia.huber@gmail.com

✠ **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please can you remember the sick of our parish in your prayers:
Connie Arowojolu; Patricia Bland; Manuel Da Costa; Bill Fleming; Jacqueline Kelleher;
Maureen Palmer; Alma Smith.

✠ **PLEASE GIFT AID YOUR CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:** When making your donation by card you will see the option to gift aid your donation on the screen, simply click yes. It is **essential** that you enter your **full name** and **full first line of your address and postcode**, it then remembers for future donations. For more info visit: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stephendaleroad/donate/other-ways-to-give/

✠ **MASS TIMES:**

**Our Lady's**: Wednesday: **10am** Saturday: **10am** (followed by Adoration and Confession); **7pm** Vigil Mass; Sunday: **10.30am**

**Holy Cross**: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: **9.30am**; Saturday: **5.30pm** Vigil Mass;
Sunday: **9am** Family **12pm** Solemn

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| 15th Nov | 7pm and 10.30am | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 155 | Fr Bernard Akoeso |
| 22nd Nov | 7pm and 10.30am | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | 158 | Fr Bernard Akoeso |

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**
If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp lit before the Blessed Sacrament for a particular intention please send an email to the office. Each lamp burns for a week.
This week's special intention is for: Manuel Da Costa