

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISMS

We are delighted to announce that the **next baptism course** will take place on **Saturday 31st July 2021 at 4:30pm in the Parish Hall** at Brereton Road.

Baptisms now have no restrictions on numbers attending however we will continue baptising infants with a single family at any one celebration.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2021

The enrolment of children and young people for First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes 2021-2022 is open now until Sunday 5th September 2021. To enrol your child, please visit our parish website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/> and click on the corresponding forms link.

If you need any help completing the forms, please contact the Parish Catechetical Coordinator Marcelle Jemide at tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk For further information please, contact the parish office.

This year's requirements are that the children and families are parishioners of St Francis de Sales who regularly attend Mass on Sundays or Vigil Mass on Saturdays at our parish. If your child is studying at our school of St Francis de Sales but not living in the parish area, it is recommended that they enrol in their local parishes.

RCIC AND RCIA 2021

Both groups will resume their meetings in September. Have a lovely summer holiday.

FUNERALS

The number of people assembling in the church is now unrestricted. However, we will keep the self-distance in placed.

WEDDINGS

Weddings can be celebrated at this time with the number of people we could safely accommodate in church.

MASS TIMES

Tuesday 10am
Thursday 10am
Friday 7pm
Saturday Vigil 7pm
Sunday 9.00am and 11.00am

Livestreaming Mass on
Sunday at 11am

CONFESSIONS
Saturday 10am to 12noon

Please pray for the souls of:

Alan Daniel, Christopher Ajayi
Charles Roberts, Sr Sylvia McCarthy,
Rita Belma, Bridie Collins, Frank
Wallace, Comfort Oparah, Leonie
Bacchus, Bridget Ugwo, Kenneth Marie,
Krisnamah Durasamy, Fidelia Anienwelu,
Gerald Eze Durueke, Christiana Osei-
Kuffour, Agnes Ofori- Mensah, Lino
Fusco, Carmen Thorpe, Anne Dunleavy,
Tony Moore, Mary Ryan, Rosa
Fernandes, Helena Keers, Eileen Hanley,
Amy Lorna Guniss, Bridie Morrissey,
Vera Moyles, Salvatore Infantino, Juliana
Carvalho, Stuart Stoolle, Thelma Harvey
and all our brothers and sisters who have
fallen asleep in peace with our Lord.

Let your perpetual light shine upon
them. May they rest in peace.
Amen



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Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 144(145); Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

**17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR B 2021**

Bring the little you have and the Lord will multiply it

Today the Gospel of John present us the account of the miracle of the multiplication of five loaves of bread and two fish which a boy had and the Lord multiply and fed more than 5000 hungry people in the dessert.

This is a great miracle which all four Gospels recorded. It is interesting to hear Jesus' question to Phillip as a test. 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' and Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' In a way Phillip could only see the impossibility of the situation as naturally we, human beings do. Most people would understand Phillip's view which is based on human efforts alone and not seen the possibility of a miracle where God can provide for us.

Moreover, we see the figure of Andrew the brother of Simon Peter, who says, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' We can still feel a sense of doubts about what Jesus can do with the little food available. Therefore, it is certain that they needed a miracle to feed so many people, 5000 men and probably around 10.000 people counting women and children. Jesus performs the miracle of multiplying the five loaves of bread and two fish that provides abundantly for all to the point that there are 12 humpers of leftovers. This is what the Lord says to us today, bring the little you have, and I will multiply it and there will be abundance of gifts from the Lord, and you will be satisfied. We may come to the presence of the Lord in Church feeling unworthy or feeling down because things may seem to be dull and boring, to the point that nothing make sense anymore. We may be looking down on ourselves feeling a bit useless in many ways and feeling judged by our own family and friends. We may feel that we have nothing to contribute to the parish community. However, the Lord says today, bring the little you have, your time and talents, your desire to pray and be faithful, your attempts to be patient with your husband or wife and children or that annoying neighbour and I will multiply it to a hundredfold. If we remain living with the merely human mentality showed by Phillip and Andrew before the miracle happened, that is, when we think and say to ourselves "well, nothing has changed and will not change, why bother! we will remain stuck in our misery with an unsatisfied life. Let us not be short sighted by just looking at our own weaknesses, failures and frailties alone but let us raise our heads and look at the Lord who calls us to faith in him. The Lord invites us to have faith in him. It is he who will satisfy our hunger and thirst for life with the heavenly food of his Body and Blood here at the Eucharist. Come taste and see how good is the Lord.

Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

Holy Father's Intention for July – Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9am People of the Parish, Jonnie Mannion RIP, Theresa Alexander INT; Leandra Alexander-Cotter Thanksgiving **11am** Andrew Salami RIP, Mary Waldron Thanksgiving, Albert Ojinnaka RIP, Mary Obeng Thanksgiving, Mary Kerr Anniversary, Joan Murray RIP **Tuesday** David Margaret & Lena McDonagh RIP, Santen Pereira RIP, Grace Agyemang Thanksgiving **Thursday** Imelda Conway RIP, Mary O'Connor INT, John Murray INT **Friday** Thelma Harvey RIP, William Caco INT, Volunteers Thanksgiving **Saturday** Thomas Anthony Thanksgiving

PARISH NEWS

OUR PLACE OF WORSHIP GUIDELINES AFTER MONDAY 19TH JULY 2021

As the government had announced the end of all restrictions, the Conference of Bishops of England Wales has issued guidelines for our places of worship, which we have adopted and adapted it to keep our church and parishioners' safe. We recognise that the presence of the virus and the risk of spreading is still among us. Therefore, we will continue applying some of the previous safety measures following the guidance provided for the Dioceses of England and Wales.

1. SEATING social distancing still applied but the seating space it is slightly reduced to allow increase in number of people to attend Mass.
2. FACE COVERINGS are still required, to mitigate risk of virus transmission.
3. SANITISATION of hands will remain as previously. Sanitisation of the church after Mass continues.
4. STEWARDSHIP will continue, please follow the lead of the stewards who have been faithfully ministering throughout the last 15 months.
5. REGISTRATION will continue. Preferably via QR and alternatively write your details on the registration cards at the entrance of the church.
6. ONE WAY SYSTEM will remain in place.
7. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING will be gradually re-introduced but face covering must be worn. We will start singing the Alleluia and the Holy, holy, holy...
8. HOLY COMMUNION will continue to be in one kind and on the hand only until further notice.
9. COLLECTION will continue to be at the end of Mass as people exit from the church.
10. HOLY WATER in the stoups are still not allowed but please bring your own bottle of water and ask Father David to bless it.
11. THE SIGN OF PEACE no physical sign of peace is still recommended. We will continue exchanging the social distance sign of peace until further notice.
12. MASS TIMES will remain as it is until further notice.

13. The church will be open earlier on weekday Masses for private prayer.

Please, help us to keep our church and parishioners safe. Please, respect the volunteers who are serving at our church. They have been faithfully dedicating their time throughout the last 15 months to keep the church open and safe. We will not tolerate any kind of abuse.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR VOLUNTEERS, CATECHISTS, MINISTERS AND ALL PARISHIONERS WHO HELP IN OUR CHURCH IN ANY WAY.

We will have a thanksgiving Mass and for all volunteers, catechists, readers, ministers of Holy Communion, servers and all parishioners who are actively involved in the parish life. Without your help we would not have been able to open the church and celebrate the Sacraments. Please come along to celebrate this Mass and give thanks to the Lord for our parish and our parishioners on **Friday 31st July at 7pm.**

PARISH SURVEY FOR CAR USERS JULY 2021

Events will shortly return to the Stadium with full capacity, meaning that street closures will return. Please help us to assess the numbers of cars in the area on event days, weekends and weekdays by completing this form and returning it to the Presbytery by 30 July 2021. One form should be completed for every vehicle used.

PARISH FINANCES

PARISH PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new planned giving envelopes are ready for collection from the parish office on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sunday after Mass. If you have not registered yet, please let us know by calling on 02088083554 or send an email tottenham@rcdow.org.uk. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS: At this time of the lock down we are receiving very few donations. Please consider helping us more by setting up a Bank Standing Order or donate online through our website, <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate/> our details are:

Account Name: WRCDT Tottenham

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71264397

DONATIONS: We have received the previous week in Easter Envelopes £12, Envelopes £1,003.85 Loose Plate £281.63 Standing Orders (June) £3,736.50. Thank you for your generosity.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES RESTORATION WALL APPEAL

To-date we have received a total of £19,586.45 from donations towards the cost. Thank you very much for your generosity.