

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### BAPTISMS

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 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

Please for the repose of the soul of Owen Eugene Tully who passed away 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021. His funeral will be celebrated at St John Vianney Church, West Green.

### 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 Stooles, 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: Exodus 16:2-4,12-15; Psalm 77 (78):3-4,23-25,54; Ephesians 4:17,20-24; John 6:24-35

18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME YEAR B 2021

### I am the bread which has come from heaven

Today we start hearing the first part of the so called "Discourse of the Bread of Life" from the Gospel of John. This first part of the Discourse is an invitation to Faith in Jesus (John 6:35-47) which opens with the statement "I am the bread of life" (6:35). The second part of the Discourse (John 6:48-58) is about eating his body (Eucharist). This Sunday's Gospel focus on the invitation to believe in Jesus and his divinity as the "bread that has come down from heaven and gives life to the world." Many people were following Jesus after the multiplication of the five loaves of bread and two fish. Now Jesus reproaches them who are looking for him just to have more of that "material bread" that perishes, like the mana in the desert which got corrupted on the following day and could not be stored. Many people who ate the bread Jesus gave, had not seen the sign of whom Jesus was, their eyes were still shut to see the giver and focused rather on the gift. Often this is the way we live our faith in God, we tend to focus on asking God for help to find a job, to have good health, to get healed, to get a child, a husband or a wife, a nice house, and a car... All these are good things but, are these all we want and need from God? However, the Lord says to us today, "do not labour for the food that perishes but rather work for the food that last forever." In other words, Jesus says, believe in me that I will give you my own life that will give you everything you need in this world. Jesus invites us to look at him not just at the material things, goods and benefits we can obtain from praying to God. Jesus responds to the people who asked him, "What must we do to be doing the works of God? The answer is, "that you believe in me, who have been sent to you." Jesus is the gift the Lord our God has sent to us humanity. He has come to give us his own divine life which we have received through his death and Resurrection. We receive his life by receiving Jesus in Holy Communion at every Mass. Jesus Christ is the bread of heaven which satisfies all our needs, if we believe that he is present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist in the form of bread. For this we need the gift of faith. Faith is not acquired by our own will power and many studies, no. Faith, is a gift from God which is granted freely by Him to those who are willing to hear, see and believe in Jesus Christ whom God the Father has sent from heaven to become our source of life and happiness. Let us give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus at the Eucharist. Fr David

## Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

**Holy Father's Intention for August – The Church**

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 9am** Maria Buttiegieg RIP, The D'Silva Family Thanksgiving, Leandra

**11am** Teresa & William Slattery Thanksgiving, Marcelle Jemide Thanksgiving,

**Tuesday** Arnold Adams RIP, Michael Hegarthy INT, Grace Agyemang & Family Thanksgiving **Thursday** Len Morden RIP, Fan Su Seng RIP, Bertino Pestejo RIP

**Friday** Raymond Morgan RIP **Saturday** Peggy Taylor RIP, Thanksgiving

### PARISH NEWS

#### OUR PLACE OF WORSHIP GUIDELINES FOR 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 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.

If you are late for Mass and there are no more places available in church, please make your way towards the Parish Hall on Brereton Road.

### CARE AND RESPECT FOR OUR STEWARDS AND CLEANERS

Regrettably, recently we have complaints from our volunteers who have been subject to verbal abuse and hostile attitude from some people in church. Please, respect and cooperate with them who are serving at our church. They have been and are faithfully dedicating their time throughout the last 15 months to keep the church open and safe. Please show your gratitude and be kind and respectful. **We will not tolerate any kind of abuse.**

### PARISH CAR PARKING PASSES FOR 2021

Events will shortly return to the Stadium with full capacity, meaning that street closures will return. For those who are new to our parish, please be aware that on event days you will need a pass to be able to access parking to attend Sunday Mass. If you do not have one, please meet Kate after Mass to ask for the passes and fill the appropriate forms or make an appointment in the parish office to obtain one.

### APPEAL FOR STEWARDS TO OPEN THE SCHOOL CAR PARKING ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS

As the activities at the SPURS stadium are resuming, we will be able to resume using the School Playground to park vehicles during 9am and 11am Mass and on Saturdays when an earlier event means parking restrictions remain in force until 8pm. For this we will need to have Stewards to open and close the gates and ensure that the cars and school premises are secured. This is a Health Safety requirement without which, we will not be able to open it. Ideally, we would like to have 3 stewards per Mass and we kindly request parishioners volunteering to arrive 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass, as the school playground gates will be closed 5 minutes before Mass starts so that the stewards can participate at Mass and reopen after Mass, allowing vehicles to leave, locking up and completing checks before leaving. If you can help, please contact Fr David or send us an email to [tottenham@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:tottenham@rcdow.org.uk) Your help is much appreciated.

### 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](mailto: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 £30, Envelopes £875.50 Loose Plate £240.36 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 £19,876.11 from donations towards the cost. Thank you very much for your generosity.