

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### BAPTISMS

Congratulations to our newly baptised children and the families of Sebastian Andrew Bailey and Skye Asianai Lisher Mattis.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2021

The enrolment of children and young people for First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes 2021-2022 is closed.

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 you have not received a notification of enrolment from the Parish Catechist Coordinator Marcelle Jemide please contact her at [tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk)

### RCIC AND RCIA 2021

RCIC will meet this Sunday in the parish hall after 11am Mass.

RCIA will resume on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm in the parish hall. If you would like to join this group, please contact the parish Catechetical Coordinator Marcelle Jemide or Fr David.

### FUNERALS

The number of people assembling in the church is now unrestricted. However, we are keeping the self-distance in place.

### WEDDINGS

If you planning to get married, please give us a call or send an email to the parish office. Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

We rejoice with Frederico and Adelina Fino whose wedding will be celebrated on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

We also rejoice with Patrick Chidi and Cordelia Ugwu, whose wedding will be celebrated on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

## MASS TIMES

**Tuesday 10am**

**Thursday 10am**

**Friday 7pm**

**Saturday Vigil 7pm**

**Sunday 9am and 11am**

**Livestreaming Mass on Sunday at 11am**

### CONFESSIONS

**10am to 12noon**

**New Mass Times and Services to be updated on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

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,  
Winifred Jackson 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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**Parish Administrator: Mrs. Elisabete Veselovska.**

**Catechetical Coordinator: Mrs Marcelle Jemide**



**Readings:** Numbers 11:25-29; Psalm 18 (19):8,10, 12-14  
James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43,45, 47-48

26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
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### Allowing God to be God – even outside the group we belong to

We have very interesting readings for the Liturgy this Sunday. The first reading from the book of Numbers portrays the reception of the spirit of the Lord that allows the 72 elected people from Israel to prophecy in the name of the Lord and help Moses governing of the people of Israel. But there were two other men who received the gift of prophecy, though there were not in the Tent of Meeting with Moses, Eldad and Medad. Joshua, Moses aid, asked Moses to stop them, because they were not present in the Tent of Meeting. However, Moses answer to his reproach is magnanimous as he said, 'if only all the people of Israel were prophets and had the spirit of God'. In this way Moses recognises that the action and the presence of the Lord is not limited to the formal structure. Similarly, the Gospel presents a situation of "envy" from the closed circle of disciples of Jesus, when they saw a man casting out devils in the name of Jesus. Jesus, as Moses, discerns well the action and the will of God by telling them to not stop him. These two parallel stories shows that the revelation of the presence of God and his salvific action cannot be confined to an elite group or just within the formal structure of an institution or ritual acts such as the Sacraments of the Church alone, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, *God has bound salvation to the sacrament of Baptism, but he himself is not bound by his sacraments.*1257

Some people can be intransigent in their believe and unwittingly exclude people from the grace of salvation from God by their intransigent behaviour and preaching that is punitive and condemnatory because they claim exclusivity of salvation to their own religious group or church. This is the case of the reaction of the disciples of Jesus and Joshua who are envious of seeing how other people outside their own circle or group are blessed with gifts from God and do better than them. To conclude, we could ask ourselves a basic question: what is our attitude towards people who are outside the visible confines of the Church? These people could include those we so pejoratively refer to as "the pagans, the irreligious, the Protestants, and even the un-churched". Let us remind ourselves of what the Catholic Church itself has said in this regard:

*"Since Christ died for all men, and since the ultimate vocation of man is in fact one, and divine, we ought to believe that the Holy Spirit in a manner known only to God offers to every man the possibility of being associated with this paschal mystery" (Gaudium et Spes, no.22).* What we can meaningfully do is to keep sharing our own experience of God with others and pray that God may continue to reveal and act in people's lives. The book of the Acts of Apostles says, "God is not one to show partiality, but in every nation the man who fears him and does what is right, is welcome to him" (Acts 10: 34-35).

Fr David

## Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of the Blessed Sacrament (Red) is offered for the intentions of **Alexandra, Melanie & Daniel**

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of Our Lady (blue) is offered for the intentions of **Colin & Marcelle Jemide**

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 9am** People of the Parish, Fr David Lucuy Thanksgiving **11am** Donald Pope RIP, Bartolome Vilches RIP, Cipriano Zabala RIP **Tuesday** Lorraine Gaffey Special INT, Jean O'Reilly INT, Winifred Jackson RIP, Irva McLoughlin **Thursday** Holy Angels, Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Winifred Jackson RIP, Carol Aigbogun RIP **Friday** Sainten Pereira RIP **Saturday 7pm** Jane Baidoo RIP

### PARISH NEWS

#### APPEAL TO PARISHIONERS WHO ATTEND SUNDAY 11AM MASS

We have recently started the counting of people at Sunday Masses and notice that more people are attending since September. However, the major attendance is concentrated at the 11am Mass. This has been quite stressful for everyone, especially for our stewards who struggle and at times receive abuse at the door as people try to make their way into the church at the last minute or late for Mass. We totally understand that this is the preferred Mass for many because it is convenient, but we invite everyone to be considerate and try to attend the earlier Mass at 9am or Saturday Vigil 7pm where there are more spaces and less people attending these Masses. Thank you very much for your understanding and collaboration.

#### PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP 2021

We warmly invite you to take part in the Workshops from the *Capuchin Priest, Fr. Ignacio Larranaga*. Learn to establish an intimate relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ through Bible readings, Doctrinal messages and the practice of 15 Methods of Prayer during a period of 15 weeks with only 2-hour weekly meetings. We will resume The Workshop that was suspended last year from October Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Please contact the Parish Office to enrol for this workshop. [tottenham@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:tottenham@rcdow.org.uk)

#### NEW READER'S MINISTERS AND CATECHISTS' INVITATION 2021

We would like to invite any member of our parish community to be part in the ministry of Reader with training to follow soon. Also, we need more volunteers to help with the First Holy Communion, Religious Education, Confirmation and Catechesis for Adults (RCIA). If you are interested, please let us know by sending an email to the Parish Catechetical Coordinator Marcelle Jemide at [tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk) or call to the Parish Office.

#### FR DAVID WILL BE AWAY ON ANNUAL LEAVE UNTIL 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

For any urgent matters please contact the Parish Office. Thanks

#### HELP FOR THE AFGHAN FAMILIES WHO ARRIVED IN LONDON

We are extremely grateful to the parish community for your generous response to the appeal for the families who came to London fleeing Afghanistan. We have collected the amount of £184.90 and the Charity has asked us to stop bringing stuff because there is no more room for storage. Thanks

## CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – CLIMATE CRISIS APPEAL

Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. This Family Fast Day, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021, donate in the parish using a CAFOD envelope or online through the [CAFOD website \(cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis\)](http://cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis) and help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. You can also add your voice to our online [petition](http://cafod.org.uk/climate) calling for our Prime Minister to show leadership in tackling the climate crisis, [cafod.org.uk/climate](http://cafod.org.uk/climate). And thank you for your generosity for our emergency appeals to support our sisters and brothers in crisis in Afghanistan and Haiti. You can read more about CAFOD's response at [cafod.org.uk/emergencies](http://cafod.org.uk/emergencies).

### SIGNING OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE CERTIFICATES

Fr David will be available to sign the Certificates on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September between 9am and 11am and afternoon from 3pm until 6pm in the Parish Office. Then Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October between 3pm and 6pm. Otherwise by appointment. Please send an email to the Parish Office.

Please bring with you a copy of your child's baptism certificate, otherwise Fr David will not be able to sign the form.

### BRERETON ROAD CHURCH ENTRANCE IS A PRIORITY CAR PARK

The church car park from the Brereton Road now is officially a "Priority Car Park" designated for parishioners who are disabled or have mobility issues. Special Priority Card Passes will be issued from the parish for the use of this space. Please be considerate and respect this space for our parishioners who need them. If you come to mass on Sunday, please plan your journey and park in the school car park which is available for you, thanks to the volunteers who give their time. Thanks.

### 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 trying time, we are receiving less donations due to the social distancing. 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: WRCDDT Tottenham**

**Sort Code: 40-05-20**

**Account Number: 71264397**

**DONATIONS:** We have received the previous week in Envelopes £836.37 Loose Plate £441.01 Standing Orders (August) £3,796.50 Afghan collection £184.90. Thank you for your generosity.

#### ST FRANCIS DE SALES BUILDING FUND

To-date we have raised a total of £ 20,440.42. Thank you very much for your generosity.