

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISMS: Our next Baptism course will take place on Saturday 2nd September at 12noon.

CONFIRMATION, RCIA & RCIC

CERTIFICATES: Please collect your certificate from the Parish Office Mon. – Fri. 9am – 1pm.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2023-2024:

Applications for Sacramental Programmes are now online on the Parish Website. The deadline for submission of application forms along with copies of requested Sacramental certificates is on Sunday 17th September 2023.

First Holy Communion

<https://forms.office.com/e/7BXbAB7Pj9>

Confirmation:

<https://forms.office.com/r/0BVbvZiWYc>

The website address for the Parish

is: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/>

QR CODES:



THERE IS LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR ALL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES. SO PLEASE COMPLETE & SUBMIT THE FORMS AS SOON AS YOU CAN. ONCE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER IS REACHED, THE ENROLMENT WILL BE CLOSED.

FUNERALS

For funeral arrangements, please contact the parish office and let us know the name of your loved one so that we can pray for his/her soul.

WEDDINGS

If you are planning to get married, please 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.

MASS TIMES

Monday 10am
Tuesday 10am
Wednesday NO MASS
Thursday 10am
Friday 7pm
Saturday 10am
Saturday (Vigil) 7pm
Sunday 9am and 11am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am

Confessions
Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am
Saturday 6pm to 6.45pm

Please pray for those who has recently fallen asleep in peace with the Lord:

Selina Fernandes, Margaret Ann Ball, Annette Moore, Lawrence Fernandez, Florence Okocha, Philomen Fernandes, Thomas Cosgrove, Dorothy Williams, Lodovina Pereira, Margaret Carr, Mary Derham, Juliana Asare, Anne Williams, Catherine Everette, Aliyah Cardoso, Scarlette Yeboah, Luis Blanco, Seamus Cronin, Jason Kyriakides, Desiree Ann Seechan, Lyra Richards, Patricia Dilaver, Victoria Nma Odilli, Valentina Cuenco, Rene Petrouse, Bernard (Bernie) Meaney, Ernest William, Melford Weekes, Gabrielle Doocey, Gadje Sabine Ouan, Marjorine Nunoo, Benedict D'Silva, Timothy O'Connor, Anne Elizabeth Beguin (*nee* Corrigan) 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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Catechetical Coordinator: Mrs Marcelle Jemide

Safeguarding Officer: Vicky Gowdie



Readings: Isaiah 22:19-23; Psalm 137(138):1-3,6,8; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20 PB: page 120

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A- 27/08/2023

“Who do you say I am?”

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus puts this personal question to his disciples and therefore, to you and to me too. What would your answer be?

Perhaps you have experienced a difficulty in answering to this question in a personal manner and most likely you have tried to answer it by listing the titles by which Jesus is known such as, He is the Son of God, the Saviour, the Redeemer, the Healer, etc.

Some people would say that Jesus was a revolutionary teacher who has taught high values but not the Son of God. This would be like answering to Jesus's first question, 'who do people say I am' rather than the second one, 'who do **you** say I am.' We know St Peter's response he said, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' As we know, St Peter was always quick to answer to the Lord. But this time he got it right. He was inspired by the Father to make such profession of faith in the divinity of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus has recognised the faith of Peter and made him the "Rock" on which He has founded the Church that has as its visible head, the Pope. We believe that the Pope is the successor of St Peter, and Jesus Christ has given him the keys of the Kingdom. Pope Francis often gives testimony of his faith like Peter, through his preaching, his writings, and his actions.

Today the Church invites us to place ourselves sitting down with the disciples of Jesus, listening to the Lord's personal question that summons a sincere response from our part. The response we give is a profession of faith in Jesus Christ, not a merely intellectual or lip's profession of faith but a profession of faith substantiated by concrete facts of the things and events in which, we have seen and experienced God's salvific action in our lives. Let us take courage and overcome our fear to speak about our faith in Jesus Christ to our children, relatives, colleagues, and any of our neighbours. This week let us take some time of silence, to meditate on Jesus's personal question "Who do you say I am" and give our personal answer to the Lord. Let us profess our faith in him with sincerity of heart.

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 **Clare Obi**.

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of Our Lady (blue) is offered for the intentions of **Luis Rincon & Liliana Henao**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9am Joana Vicente & Rita Alburghetty RIP, Damian Obinjl INT **11am** Dolores Salami ANNIV, Remy & Roseleen Odoeme Thanksgiving **Monday 10am** Thomas Maughan RIP, Felix Anyadi Thanksgiving **Tuesday 10am** Filomena Pader RIP, Mariano Pestejo RIP **Wednesday No Mass Thursday 10am** Anne Ajewole Thanksgiving, Peggy Khoo RIP **Friday 7pm** Ify Eze & Family Thanksgiving, Jackson Minu RIP **Saturday 10am** Mavis Andrew Thanksgiving, John Doyle RIP **7pm** Bridie Collins RIP, Betty Doocey INT

PARISH NEWS

RCIA & RCIC CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS

If you know anybody who is seeking to become a Catholic or someone who is baptised Catholic but not Confirmed, you can invite them to join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) group or if you have children who are not studying at a Catholic School but would like them to do their First Holy Communion or if the children are above 8 years old and have not been baptised, they can join our RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children) group.

or further information, please contact the Parish Catechetical Coordinator Marcelle Jemide at tottenhamcatechist@rcdow.org.uk or contact the parish office.

MARYS MEALS APPEAL 2023

Mary's Meals would like to invite you to collect all your foreign currency* no matter how old or obscure. In 2 weekend's time there will be envelopes at the back of church for you to take home and put all your foreign coins and notes into. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa. Currently the charity feeds over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education – by giving Mary's Meals your foreign coins and notes you can help feed the next hungry child. Mary's Meals feeds in over 18 countries. Because of our low costs we can do this for as little as £19.15 per child per year!

*We will also take UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender.

LINK FOR SPURS COMMUNITY TICKETS LOTTERY AND INFORMATION

Our Lottery for Wizkid tickets was extremely popular and over-subscribed. The families who went to the Concert had a lovely evening and we have thanked Spurs on their behalf. Parishioners are asking for tickets for the next event, but we do not know whether we will have tickets for other events. There are many community groups and organisations also asking for tickets.

Spurs regularly offer residents who are signed up to their local alert system a ballot for two tickets for non-football events. Additionally, the alert will keep you up to date on stadium events and road closures which help plan Mass attendance avoiding road closures. Sign up using the link below and complete and submit the form below, although there are thousands in the ballots we know parishioners had tickets for events including Lady Gaga and Beyonce. <https://www.tottenhamhotspur.com/the-stadium/local/>

BINGO AND RAFFLE AFTERNOON TEA AND BISCUITS ON FRIDAYS

We gather in the parish hall on Brereton Road at 2pm every Friday. Just bring your bingo marker. All are welcome!

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP 2023

We would like to invite you to be part of the new Prayer Workshop initiated by the Capuchin Priest, Fr. Ignacio Larranaga. We have run this Prayer Workshop for the last two years. 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. The Workshops will start on Saturday 23rd September at 11am in the Parish Hall. Please contact the Parish Office to enrol for this workshop at tottenham@rcdow.org.uk

SCHEDULED MATCHES AT THE STADIUM FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

Saturday 16th TOT –SHU at 15:00. Saturday 30th TOT-LIV at 17:30. Road restrictions will be in place. Please have a look on the link <https://www.tottenhamhotspur.com/the-stadium/local/>

PARISH FINANCES

PARISH PLANNED GIVING DONATIONS

At this trying time, we are receiving less donations due to the consequences of the global crisis. These are some ways you can support us and help us to grow more.

1. We kindly would like to invite you to consider registering to any of our Planned Giving Schemes. If you have not registered yet, please let us know by calling on 02088083554 or send an email tottenham@rcdow.org.uk and contact our Parish Administrator Elisabete Veselovska.
2. At present the best way to help us is by setting up a Bank Standing Order, see details below.
3. If you are a taxpayer, please consider making a GIFT AID declaration for your donations, to enable the parish to claim back 25p for every £1 you donate.
4. We would ideally like to reduce the use of cash due to further costs incurred and would request that instead, if you can donate by card at church by tapping on the contactless machines as you go out of church or consider donating online through our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate>. Our bank details are as below:

Account Name: WRCDT Tottenham

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71264397

Thank you very much for your continued support and generosity.

DONATIONS: We have received the previous week in Loose £393.3 Envelopes £273.80 Standing Orders (July) £3,997.22 Contactless (July) £62.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES BUILDING FUND

To-date we have raised a total of £32,556.68. Thank you very much for your generosity.