

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISMS: Our next Baptism course will take place on Saturday 2nd December at 12noon in the church.

2022-2023 CONFIRMATION, RCIA & RCIC CERTIFICATES: Please collect your certificate from the Parish Office Mon. – Fri. 9am – 1pm.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2023-2024:

FHC Parents meeting: Parents meeting on Tuesday 5th December at 6pm to 7pm in church.

FHC Children's meeting –
GROUP 1: FRIDAY 24th November at 5.30pm to 6.30pm.
GROUP 2: SATURDAY 25th November at 12noon to 1pm in the Parish Hall.

Confirmation – Next session is on Monday 13th November at 6pm prompt in the Parish Hall. All Candidates to bring their Bibles.

RCIA - Friday 17th November with Mass at 7pm, followed by a session in the Presbytery.

RCIC – This Sunday 12th November with Mass at 11am, followed by a session upstairs in the Parish Hall on Brereton Road.

RCIC Parents and children: RCIC Enrolment Mass – today Sunday 12th November at 11am.

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:

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), Pauline Ilogebe Udenze, Mercedes Torres Arroyo, Fr Dominic McKenna, Lawrence Henry, Helena Duckett, Agnes Otuo Achampong, Lucas DaSivla, Jean Mae Marlow, Francis Onyearuqbulem 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: Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 62:2-8; 1Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13 PB: page 152

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR A- 12/11/2023

Silence and Memory

Today is Remembrance Sunday, the British Legion Charity describes it as “a national opportunity to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedom and protected our way of life”. On this Remembrance Sunday each year we stop everything to make 2-minutes silence in our busy lives. At 11am the whole country comes to a standstill to contemplate and remember, in a moment of prayer, all those who have fallen in the last two world wars and pray in gratitude to them and their families for their sacrifice for freedom and peace we enjoy today.

On this month of November, the Church invites us to remember and pray for our departed loved ones. We do this by making silence before the Lord as we bring back the memories of our loved ones, our grandparents, parents, brothers and sisters, children, spouses, friends, teachers, colleagues and everyone who have been part of our lives. Silence allows us to enter into our own personal history of life and contemplate it in the light of the events, deeds, words and love we have received from our loved ones and other people who we did not know personally that have shaped us and made us the persons we are today. It is not only important to make memories of our identity, but it is crucial to do this regularly, to never forget who we are and to keep walking in the right direction in our lives. A man and a woman without history becomes inexistence. We do not want this to happen to us or anyone of our beloved departed ones. Today we make silence and remember all the victims of the last two world wars and our loved ones. Their lives and sacrifices have a great value to us and our world. Their names cannot be forgotten, if we did, we would be denying our history and their words, deeds and sacrifices they made for us. Whenever we celebrate the Mass, we make a “memorial” of the sacrifice of Jesus for us. This is not a mere memory but a memorial of the act of salvation the Lord made for us to set us free from death itself. How can we not remember this great sign of the love of God has for us! We celebrate this love with gratitude at every Mass.

The memories we recall this Remembrance Sunday should spur us to keep working towards building up ways of peace and harmony starting from our family relationships and then extending it to the wider community and our society. As the Lord commanded the apostles to “Do this in memory of me” we gather this day praying that the graces of the sacrifice of the Lord on the cross may bring true peace, love and freedom to our trouble world, especially in Israel, Gaza and Ukraine; and to our fallen we say, “We will remember them”.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them.

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 **Hannah Shine**.

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of Our Lady (blue) is offered for the repose soul of **James Shine**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9am Esmeralda Noronha Thanksgiving, *pray for Thanksgiving to God* **11am** Peter & Adelaida Ngowi ANNIV, *pray for Mary Anita Ngowi & Family & Relatives* RIP

Monday 10am November Dead List, *pray for Charlotte O'Sullivan* ANNIV

Tuesday 10am Philomen Fernandes ANNIV, *pray for Robert Ellis Sackey* RIP **Wednesday No**

Mass Thursday 10am Arthur Rebello ANNIV, *pray for Remedios Romero & Ines Rodriguez* RIP, **11.30am** Agnes Otuo-Achampong Funeral Mass **Friday 7pm** Jesus Agonising on the Mount of Olives, *pray for Our Lady of Lourdes in Thanksgiving* **Saturday 10am** Fabian Soarez RIP, *pray for Justina Soarez* RIP **7pm** Martha Marvel Thanksgiving, *pray for Rafael Meivel* Thanksgiving

PARISH NEWS

BISHOP JOHN SHERRINGTON PARISH VISITATION

We are delighted and grateful to have Bishop John Sherrington visiting our Parish on this Remembrance Sunday. Bishop John is celebrating Mass with our parishioners, and he will be meeting parishioners in the Parish Hall after Mass. Please come and join us in the Parish Hall and meet Bishop John and all parishioners.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Please note that when seats are **reserved** for children and young people to sit on during Mass NO ADULTS aside from the Catechists can sit on those reserved seats. All adults including Parents must sit on the non-reserved seats. Please respect the children and young people's space at all times. Thanks

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND THANKS

Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund collection last weekend. Our priests give us years of dedicated service and it is only right that, together, we ensure they live out their days with the care they need. If you did not get the chance to donate, it's not too late. Envelopes are still available in the back of the church, or you can give online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations or scan the QR code displayed on the poster at the entrance of the church. Thank you again. Please keep our sick and retired priests in your prayers.

MASS FOR THE DECEASED PARISHIONERS 2023

We will celebrate a Memorial Mass for all the deceased parishioners of St Francis de Sales on Saturday 18th November at 10am. We would like to extend this invitation to all families and friends to come to pray for our loved ones.

SVP WITHIN ST FRANCIS DE SALES - TOTTENHAM

Last weekend our SVP Conference has made an appeal for more volunteers to help in our outreach social work. If you are interested, please contact SVP Tottenham on 07918592305.

SCHEDULED MATCHES AND EVENTS AT THE STADIUM FOR NOVEMBER 2023

Sunday 26th November TOT vs AVL at 2pm.

Road restrictions will be in place. Please have a look on the link

<https://www.tottenhamhotspur.com/the-stadium/local/>

NURSERY & RECEPTION ADMISSION TO ST FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Application packs are now available.

NURSERY: For children born between 1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021

RECEPTION: For children born between 1st September 2019 – 31st August 2020

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORM & ADMISSION POLICY AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD FROM SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.sfds.haringey.sch.uk OR EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE AT: admin@sfdsharingey.sch.uk

We will be offering tours around our Reception & Nursery. Please contact the school office on 020 8808 2923 to book a place on one of the following tour dates: Friday 24 November at 09:15am; Friday 15 December at 09:15am.

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 received the previous week in £447.34 Envelopes £306.90 Standing Orders (September) £3,493 Contactless (September) £181 S&R £139

GIFT AID DONORS: Thank you for adding gift aid to your donations. We have now made a claim on donations for 2022-23 and received a total of £10,356 at no extra cost to you.

GASDS – We have also made a claim for this extra benefit of claiming £2,000 on the loose plate donations for which we are extremely grateful.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES BUILDING FUND

To-date we have raised a total of £32,936.38. Thank you very much for your generosity.