### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**BAPTISMS:** Our next Baptism of Infants Course will be announced after Easter.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2023-2024:

FHC PARENTS AND CHILDREN'S MEETINGS TO BE ANNOUNCED AFTER EASTER.

**CONFIRMATION** – Next session is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 6pm prompt – 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All Candidates to bring their Bibles.

RCIC AND RCIA: Rehearsals for the Easter Vigil on Good Friday at 12noon in church, after the Stations of the Cross.

**RCIC** – Today Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024 with Mass at 11am, followed by a session upstairs in the Parish Hall on Brereton Road.

### GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS THE CROSS LED BY THE FHC, RCIC CHILDREN, AND CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March from 11am – 12noon in Church. All Confirmation, First Holy Communion & RCIC Children must attend with their Parents.

### 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 -HOLY WEEK

Monday 10am Tuesday 10am Wednesday10am

**Maundy Thursday 7pm** 

**Good Friday 3pm** 

**Saturday NO MORNING MASS** 

Saturday (Easter Vigil) 8.30pm

Easter Sunday 9am and 11am

Confessions by appointment only

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

Lyra Richards, Patricia Dilaver, Victoria Nma Odilli, Valentina Cuenco, Rene Petrousse, 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 Onyearugbulem Lucy Dawson, Christopher Nwankwo, Malika Sauvimootu, Leonard Cotter, May Chigboh, Florence Ponton, Theresa Ilechie, Gerald O'Grady, Marcella Tambro Edward Bicar 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



### ST FRANCIS DE SALESCHURC

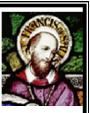
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**Readings**: Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24 Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 15:1-39

PALM SUNDAY - THE
PASSION OF THE LORD 2024

### Jesus Christ is the LORD

Today is Palm Sunday, we start the celebrations of Holy Week by listening, praying and contemplating the Passion of the Lord who entered into Jerusalem riding on a colt of a donkey. In those days, kings used to travel in such processions on horseback during wartime but preferred to ride a donkey in times of peace. Since the sign of a king was humility, the customary mount for a king in procession in Israel was a donkey. I Kgs 1:38-41 describes how Prince Solomon used his father David's royal donkey for the ceremonial procession on the day of his coronation. Jesus entered the Holy City as a King of peace, fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah. Jesus was given the royal reception usually reserved for a king or military commander. I Mc 13:51ff describes such a reception given to the Jewish military leader Simon Maccabaeus in 141 BC. who had restored the dignity and sacredness of the Temple of the Lord. The people who received and followed Jesus cried out "Hosannah" which means, "God save the King of Israel," or "Save us, O God!" They recognised Jesus as king and a descendant of David the king. Jesus is recognised as the long expected "Messiah" who will deliver Israel from oppression. In those days Pontius Pilate was also a king and he also had such reception among the Romans after his military victories. He was called "Lord" as he considered himself a divine person. However, Jesus is a different kind of king and "Lord" because he is a humble king who comes to serve his people by giving his life in exchange for theirs. As St Paul's letter to the Philippians says, Jesus "did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave (doulos) and became as men are; he was humbler yet, even to accepting death on a cross." This is our humble king who, serves us by giving his life in exchange for ours. By death on the cross, he has killed "death" and became "LORD" over it. Death has no more power over us because Jesus Christ has Risen from the dead so that we may have life in Him. For this, we recognise in Jesus the "LORD" (Kyrios) to whom we bend our knees in owe and gratitude for the gift of salvation from our sins. Our early "kings" like Pilate, cannot give true salvation, only God is the true "LORD" who has power to set us free from every kind of evil and suffering, often cause by ourselves and our sins. This Holy Week let us celebrate it with profound gratitude and joy the reign of Jesus in our lives and let surrender our wills and lives to Him. Let us celebrate prayerfully the greatest mystery of our redemption, seating at the table with him at the Last Supper, following Jesus in his passion as Mary his Mother and the people of Jerusalem. Contemplating his death on the Cross and venerating it with great love and gratitude on Good Friday and above all, rejoicing at his Resurrection at Easter. Let us make PASSOVER with the Lord! 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 Lorenca Santa Rosa Bom Jesus RIP, Lucilia Santarosa RIP 11am David, Lena, Margaret McDonagh RIP, Yvonne Sarah RIP Holy Monday 10am James & Phillipe Couer de Leon RIP, Gerald Gambrah Thanksgiving Holy Tuesday10am Lilly Sherriff RIP, Stella Maguire RIP Holy Wednesday 10am O'Connor Family Special INT, Bridgit Carey RIP Maundy Thursday 7pm People of the Parish Good Friday 3pm Adoration of the Holy Cross Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil 8.30pm People of the Parish

### **PARISH NEWS**

## REMEMBER NEXT SUNDAY 31st MARCH CLOCKS GO ONE HOUR FORWARD! Don't be late for Easter Sunday!

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASSES TIMETABLE

Please take home with you the timetable for the celebrations of Holy Week and Easter made available for you at the back of the church and on our website.

### PARISH PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES BOXES 2024-2025

The Planned Giving Boxes will be ready for collection after Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Please meet one of our parish finance committee members in the presbytery after Sunday Mass but our first preference is during weekdays from the Parish Office from 9am to 1pm or by appointment. If collection during weekdays it can be from 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

### ST VINCENT THE PAUL SVP - ST FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH

The aim of the St Vincent De Paul (SVP) charity is to tackle poverty both material and emotional through the provision of practical assistance to those in need. We bring this relief thanks to the involvement of our voluntary members. We address specific needs in the local community by engaging in befriending and special projects that serve the most disadvantaged regardless of their background or religion. A significant proportion of our work is made up of visiting those who are elderly, sick and lonely.

The essence of our work is person-to-person contact and spending time with people is our greatest gift. If you would like to be help, please contact the Parish Office 02088083554 or email. <a href="mailto:tottenham@rcdow.org.uk">tottenham@rcdow.org.uk</a>

## ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25th May 2024 at 2:30pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

### SCHEDULED MATCHES AND EVENTS AT THE STADIUM FOR MARCH 2024

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 15.00. (Match)

Road restrictions will be in place. Please have a look on the link below https://www.tottenhamhotspur.com/the-stadium/local/

### LEGION OF MARY PRESIDIUM - ST FRANCIS DE SALES TOTTENHAM

The legion holds a weekly meeting, every Sunday at 12noon in the Parish Hall. We gather to pray the Rosary, spiritual readings, talks and have a discussion. The legion of Mary undertakes many forms of Apostolic work directed by the Parish Priest and it is also an extension of God's ministry into the Parish. If you would like to enroll please contact the Parish Office on 020 8808 3554 or email tottenham@rcdow.org.uk.

### 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 supportus 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 <a href="mailto:tottenham@rcdow.org.uk">tottenham@rcdow.org.uk</a> 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 <a href="https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate">https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate</a>. 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 Loose £666.53 Envelopes £492.70 Standing Orders (February) £3,048.50 Contactless (February) £225

**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 £34,292.58. Thank you very much for your generosity.