



SACRED HEART of JESUS CAMBERWELL
PARISH NEWSLETTER

advent

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SUNDAY MASSES

6:00pm (Sat) 8:30am
10:00am 11:30am* 6:00pm
* with Children's Liturgy

3:00pm (KCH chapel)

Confession:

Sat: 10.30am - 10.45am
5.00pm - 5.45pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Sunday 4:30 - 5:30pm
Friday 7:30 - 8:30pm

Morning Prayer

Monday - Friday 8:45am
Saturday 9:45am

Rosary

After weekday Masses

Prayer Groups

Sacred Heart Association:

Friday: 6.00pm
1st Friday 7:30pm

Our Lady & Divine Mercy:

Thursday 5:30 pm

Legion of Mary Seniors:

Thursday 7pm

**Catholic Charismatic
Renewal**

Saturday 7pm

Legion of Mary Juniors

Sunday 1pm

Sunday 18th

(Sat) 6.00pm
8.30am
10.00am

11.30am

6.00pm
4.30pm

Monday 19th

9.00am
12.45pm

Tuesday 20th

9.00am
12.45pm

Wednesday 21st

9.00am
12.45pm

Thursday 22nd

9.00am
12.45pm

Friday 23rd

9.00am
12.45pm
7.00pm

Saturday 24th

10.00am

Vigil Mass. Children to come dressed as a character from the Nativity Scene.

6.00pm Josephine Popp. R.I.P
11.00pm Christmas Carols
Midnight People of the Parish.

Sunday 25th

8.30am
10.00am
11.30am
6.00pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent.

18th - 25th December, 2016.

Maureen Ruth Barrow. R.I.P.

People of the Parish.

Johnny McDonagh. R.I.P, Elizabeth R Gbondo. R.I.P Anniversary

Digba family- God's protection,

Holly Agbukor. B'day. Christiana & Prisca. B'day thanksgiving.

Jameson Family.

Eucharistic Adoration

Advent Weekday.

Ruth Okoye. B'day

Francis Adu-Mensah. R.I.P.

Advent Weekday.

Nan Keady. R.I.P

Fr. Kevin O'Hanlon. R.I.P

Advent Weekday

George Asare. B'day

Sir John Gilbert. R.I.P.

Advent weekday.

Pat Mc. Nulty. R.I.P.

Mrs. Riley. R.I.P

Advent Weekday

John & Martha Rayne. R.I.P

Deceased Chatterton & Watkins family.

Jean Robinson. R.I.P

Advent Weekday

Peter Robinson. R.I.P.

The Nativity of Our Lord. (Christmas Day)

Mary Forde & family.

Patrick Regan. R.I.P

David Ompreon. B'day. Crisis in Cameroon, especially all the deceased

Norman Popp. R.I.P

Mission statement

We, the Parish community of Sacred Heart, Camberwell celebrates the presence of Christ in our lives. Central and true to our name, we celebrate, we stand, and we dedicate our lives, witnessing to the unfailing love and friendship of God, through His beloved Son, in whose Heart of love we find daily strength for our journey.

We are a catholic community, diverse and multicultural. Everyone has a voice and everyone is welcome. We strive to make visible, God's love and care for the world in word, sacrament, and service to all. Nourished by the sacraments and in our diversity, we strive to create a supportive parish family that fosters communication. We use our talents as responsible stewards-accountable to God, to our neighbour, to our community and to the world at large.

Rev Fr Victor Darlington .

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Parish Finance-Collection:
First collection amounted to £739.66
 Gift Aid amounted to £490.50
Second collection for "Parish Needs ." amounted to £230.03
 This weekend's second is for " Parish Needs".
 Thank you for your generosity.

Church Repairs Appeal: Donations received for church repairs appeal this week amounted to £90.00, total so far is £13653.41.
 The Parish is grateful to all May the good Lord bless you all, we still have a balance of £12717.41

Christmas Offering: Christmas offering is the Archdiocese of Southwark is the parishioners expression of gratitude to their priests, thank you for your generosity and support

Parish Food Bank:
 The Parish food bank is open on the last Saturday of every month and is open to all. A massive thank you to all those who continue to support us with various food items. Please be aware that we can only accept non perishable foods and Items within their expiry date should only be donated to the bank. This month, we will be collecting for Christmas hampers so any Christmas foods/ items would be gladly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.
 Food bank team.
 Food bank will be opened on Thursday 22nd December from 1.00pm.

Parish Helpers are reminded of their meeting with Fr. Victor today at 7.00pm today, in the Parish hall.

Confirmation 2017
 The first compulsory meeting with Fr. Victor is on Friday 13th January, 2017 at 7.00pm.
All Catechists, Candidates and parents / guardians please take note.

Consultation: No more Consultation with Fr. Victor during the Christmas season, until early in the New Year. For any urgent matter please call the Parish Office and speak to any of the priests or the Parish Secretary.

Week of prayers for Christian Unity.
 Begins on Wednesday 18th January 2017- Wednesday 25th January on the feast of the conversion of St. Paul. We shall be having a joint Solemn evening prayers with our neighbouring church of St. John the Divine Church of England in our Parish at 7.00pm, on Wednesday 25th January.
 Let us Endeavour to take part in this event as our own expression of Christian unity. The children's choir of St. John the Divine will lead us in singing the Solemn Vespers. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Advent Prayer.

Lighting of the third Candle of the Advent wreath before the opening prayer:
Priest and people: Lord God, during this time of Advent, may your Word illuminate all darkness in my life.
 May a fourth flame shine so brightly that the world may see your Word in me.
 Come, Lord Jesus, Come Emmanuel.
 Use me to shine forth Your Word to a world seeking light in the darkness. Amen.

Lighting a Candle.

Lighting a candle is a form of prayer, and the size or type of candle does not really matter. God answers us in His own way when we pray and light a candle.
 Please use the protected approved candles for your prayers. **Due to Health and Safety reasons, we have been advised to stop the use of exposed candles in the different altars of our Church.**

Please pray for: -

the Holy Father's Universal Intention for this month : *End of child soldiers: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.*

For Evangelisation: *That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.*

For the faithful departed: *and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

Reflection: Fourth Sunday of Advent.

The name Emmanuel means, "God is with us." This is a title we use for Jesus frequently during the Advent and Christmas season, but its impact should stay with us throughout the year. The Incarnation, God becoming human in the person of Jesus Christ, broke into our world in a profound manner that means that God is not only with us, God is us.
 The relationship offered to you and me by God is now more intimate and meaningful because of the birth of Jesus Christ. God is truly with us and our goal is to be truly present to Him throughout the day. To be prayerful, another characteristic of an everyday Steward, means more than reciting prayers and setting aside ten minutes a day.
 Our goal is to experience the presence of God throughout the day in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of living. When we begin to sense God's presence at all times, and we realise that being with God does not mean one of us has to be talking all the time, than we can truly attest to our reality in a quiet voice at any time, "Emmanuel, God is with us."

Daily Advent Challenge.
 Take a day and set up reminders on your phone or other device to alert you hourly. At each hour, try to feel the presence of God. Spend a minute or two in prayer if needed to calm your spirit enough to be open to His presence.

Christmas Programme December, 2016

Saturday 24th December
6.00pm Children's vigil Mass
All Children to come dress as a character from the Nativity Scene.
Midnight Mass. Carols from 11.00am

Sunday 25th December. Christmas Day
 8.30am, 10.00am, 11.30am, 6.00pm.

Monday 26th December. St. Stephen
 10.00am only.

Tuesday 27th December. St. John Evangelist
 10.00am only

Wednesday 28th December: The Holy Innocents.
 9.00am 12.45pm

Thursday 29th December:
 9.00am 12.45pm.

Friday 30th December . The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph.
 9.00am, 12.45pm 7.00pm
(No Eucharistic adoration)

Saturday 31st December:
 10.00am, 6.00pm
11.00pm Holy Hour followed by Midnight Mass.

New Years Day: Sunday 1st January 2017:
 8.30am, 10.00am, 11.30am, 6.00pm

The Clergy: Fr. Victor, Fr. Paul, Fr. Michael, Deacon Samuel, wish you all a peaceful and Blessed Christmas.

For the housebound and our sick brothers and sisters:

Donaldson Opoku, Lucy Monrose, Sue McCarthy, Peter Kellegher, Eileen Hartnett, Jessie Vincent, Emeka Okoye, Adelaide Peters, Margaret Lynch, Birdie Heffernan, Angela Smith, Heather Burke. Joan Bastin, Bridie Murphy, Eileen Nimmo, Timothy Angol, Rita Greenaway, Andra Martin, Ashley Isochukwu Igwebike, Anthony Okoh, Nicos Panayides Jnr, Johanna Sims, Ursula Lubrano, Troy Benjamin, Lucy Toussaint, Basil Pereira, Kathleen Lennon, Minnian Davies, Marie August, John Barron, Aldrick Leonce, Rueben Jameson, Michael Donlan, Alba Juliana Ramirez. Anna Gypei-Garbrah, Kenny Lawal, Kathleen Gray, Timothy Ryan. Robert & Eileen O'Dempsey, Indria Singh, Ulina Pierre, Arielle Miambanzila, Paulin Ngang, Cian Dinsmore, Nesar Ali, Ewen Aitchison, Rasheeda, Agnes Omeike, Beatrice & Gabriel Owumi, James McDonald, Fr. Chris Dooley, Velda, Mary Regan, Elsie Devereaux, Eileen Moore, Doreen Barnett, Marie Perla, Barbara Kendall, Shaun Smith. Agnes Smith, Ruby Cookman, Debitu Hadgu.

