

**SIGNING OF SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS – PRIEST REFERENCE
KINDLY TAKE NOTE**

This year's signing of secondary school forms by Father Ambrose will be:

Monday 25th September 5pm to 7pm
Tuesday 26th September 5pm to 7pm
Saturday, 30th September 2023 from 4pm to 6pm.

- ♦ **SVP 2023 HEALING MASS** – September is traditionally Awareness Month for the SVP: a time to celebrate and promote the Society's work & to organise a recruitment drive. There will be a Healing Mass here at **St Chad's on Saturday, 30th September 2023 at 10:30am**. There will be refreshments and a two minute video about the SVP after mass in the church hall. Please come join in.
- ♦ Nigeria celebrates its 63 years of independence on **Sunday, 1st October**. **The Nigerian community** will be marking this day with celebrations and fundraising for our Parish. You are all warmly invited to spend this day with us and support us in purchasing our well known delicacies, such as Jollof rice and Puff Puff. Celebrations will **begin straight after the 10.30am mass**. We look forward to seeing you.
- ♦ **KARAOKE NIGHT:** MC Sharon presents a night of Karaoke of Heavenly Harmonies on **Saturday, 7th October 2023**. Tickets to be purchased in advance for only **£2** and the bar will be open for refreshing drinks. There will be South Indian food on sale and all proceeds goes to the Parish. Please come and patronise this event for a good cause.
- ♦ **ALL SAINTS DANCE ON SATURDAY, 28TH OCTOBER 2023:** Get your dancing shoes on for this exciting event. Music by Shades and Chicken & Chips to munch on. Ticket £13 (food included).
- ♦ **SAFEGUARDING:** We would like to remind parents/carers that young children **must** be accompanied by an adult should they need to leave the church for any reason. It is your responsibility to keep them safe whilst on church premises.

Fr David's departure: Fr David will be leaving us on Saturday the 30th of September. Fr David is taking up a new appointment as one of the professors in the Spiritan Seminary in Nigeria. We are grateful to Him for his committed work among us over the last few weeks.

'This Season of Creation, Pope Francis uses the image of water to invite us to take part in the communal journey that is justice and peace, a bold effort that needs everyone's contribution. This work requires a transformation of our hearts, our lifestyles, and our public policies.'

ONLINE DONATION & GIFT-AID: Could all those who donate through Standing Order & want to gift-aid their donations give a reference to enable the parish identify their donations, eg **Gift-Aid number & Surname**. If you have not filled a GAD form, please see the secretary. Thank you

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Or call the Presbytery **DURING OFFICE HOURS**



WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (24 September 2023)

SUNDAY MASSES: VIGIL—6:30PM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

DAILY MORNING MASSES: 9:30AM (MONDAY TO FRIDAY); 10AM (SATURDAY)

WEEKLY EVENING MASSES: WEDNESDAY MASS FOR THE SICK

& ADORATION: 7:30PM; FRIDAY EVENING MASS: 7:30PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: TUESDAY: 10AM–12NOON,

WEDNESDAY: AFTER EVENING MASS, SUNDAY: 4:30PM– 6:00PM

CONFESSIONS: BEFORE OR AFTER DAILY MASSES; 6PM-6:25PM (SATURDAYS)

ROSARY: EVERYDAY AFTER MORNING MASS (EXCEPT TUESDAY & SATURDAY)

BIBLE STUDIES: THURSDAY @ 7:30PM (GUILD ROOM)

DEVOTIONAL GROUPS

MONDAY— CHARISMATICS (7:30 PM); WEDNESDAY—LEGION OF MARY (6:30 PM);

TUESDAY—DIVINE MERCY (7:30PM); THURSDAY—Padre Pio Prayer Group & Bible Study Group

SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY) —SVP (7:30PM ON ZOOM).

Contact: presidentA190305@svp.org.uk 07305119836.

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*

Sick and Housebound: Cherlez Philip; Lucy Martin; Henry Aboagye-Brobbe; Beautilyn Awe; Alice Berkoh; William Curran, Roy Alleyne, Immaculate Isietu.

Recently Deceased: Esau Rahim, Jean Maher, Marjorie Osammor, Paulina Philips, Cecilia Fapohunda, Philomena Fitchley, Trudy Obiandu, Fr James Hurley, Noel Joseph, Patricia Still, Felicia Mestura Oresanya, Noreen Carruthers, Fr Ekpa Maalo CSSp, Peter Green, Annette Rebeiro, Patrick Murray, Mary Clerkin, Christopher Nettey, Tom Lobo, Michael Dougan, Gloria St Romaine, Maria Troisi, Paddy O'Shea, Nkiru Monyei, Adeboye Sfoluwe, Anthony Davidson, Mary O'Grady, Sylvia Moore, Jimmy Conwey.

KINDLY NOTE THE EVENING MASSES ON: WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30PM (Mass for the Sick) - FOLLOWED BY ADORATION AND ROSARY & FRIDAYS - 7:30PM.

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A (24/09/23)

Vigil Mass on Saturday

SUNDAY MASSES



6:30PM	- Tom & Rita Lobo
8:30AM	- RIP: Thomas Reddiar & Gopal Sundaram
10:30AM	- RIP: Agyapong & Osei Families - Thanksgiving: Clement Lawson & Chkanele Onyealisi Families
4:30PM	- 90 Minutes with Jesus
6:00PM	- Special Intentions for Peter Luu & Family

MONDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER	9:30AM	- RIP: John & Mary Luu (parents of Peter Luu)
TUESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER STs COSMAS & DAMIAN <i>ADORATION & BENEDICTION</i>	9:30AM 10-12PM	- RIP: Eileen McCollum - Youth of the Parish
WEDNESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER ST VINCENT DE PAUL <i>EVENING MASS, ADORATION & ROSARY</i>	9:30AM 7:30PM	- Holy Souls - For the sick and Housebound
THURSDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER ST WENCESLAUS	9:30AM	- Guidance & Protection to all Parishioners
FRIDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER STs MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL WEDDING EVENING MASS	9:30AM 3:00pm 7:30pm	- Thanksgiving to the Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael from the Luu Family - Lorraine Ekwe & Oluwaseun Ashaye - For Peace & Love in the Parish
SATURDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER ST JEROME VIGIL MASS	10:00AM 6:30PM	- Abundant Blessings to all Parishioners - For the Youth of Parish

1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/dona	Total	Tithe	Thank you very much
£379.95	£533.34	£314.96	£1228.25	£---	

Entrance Antiphon: I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 *My thoughts are not your thoughts.*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 144: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18 response v 18

The Lord is close to all who call him.

Second Reading: Philippians 1: 20-24, 27 *Life to me is Christ*

Gospel Acclamation—Luke 19: 38 Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 20: 1-16 *Why be envious because I am generous?*

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH



Bishop Philip Moger: We are so glad today to welcome Bishop Philip Moger, Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark and Bishop for the South West Area, to preside over the 10:30am Mass. After the Mass, as usual, we all head to the hall for some nibbles and snacks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ **WEEK OF EVANGELISATION:** We have had a very intuitive and inspirational week. Thank you for all who joined in to make it a success. We have the closing mass today, **24th September at 10:30am** to be celebrated by Bishop Philip Moger.
- ♦ **ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS: Diocesan Day for Catechists—Saturday, 30 September 2023 at 10am.** Venue: Amigo Hall & St Georges Cathedral. All bookings via an online form: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/latest/cat23>. You are all encouraged to attend.
- ♦ **EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS:** Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist Day of Prayer will be held on Sunday, 14 October 2023. All are encouraged to attend. However, kindly let Helen know whether you will or will not attend.
- ♦ **CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) COURSE** begins mid-September 2023. This is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes & Schools by cultivating and evangelistic spirit. All are invited. Kindly look on the notice board or visit the website at aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information.
- ♦ **GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST:** If you are mourning the death of a loved one, this weekend may be for you. It's being held at **Aylesford Priory from October 6-8; cost £230 single, £210 shared.** For more details phone 01622 717272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk
- ♦ **NEW BEGINNINGS**—For those who have suffered a divorce or separation or the death of their spouse, this **Beginning Experience residential weekend** will help provide healing. It's on **October 13-15 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex.** For details ring Maura on 07795 498445 or email be-southofengland@gmail.com
- ♦ **LALEHAM LEA CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOL** (3-11 years) Purley, Open Week September 25th-29th - email secretary@lalehamlea.co.uk or call: 0208 660 3351 for further details. www.lalehamlea.co.uk. 'Excellent' in all areas ISI February 2022.

'LOVE ONE ANOTHER, AS I HAVE LOVED YOU'

Please don't forget to hand in your census form. Thank you