ANNOUNCEMENTS

CATECHISTS WANTED: We are in serious need of people who would volunteer to be Catechists for different Catechism programmes like Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, RCIC, RCIA. It's a beautiful way of giving back to the Church. Please speak with Fr Ambrose or Tina Hanson if interested.

First Holy Communion 2024: The registration forms are now available at the back of church. They should be returned in person to the Guild Room on Saturday 2nd December between 10am and 1pm. The First Holy Communion team are looking forward to meeting you there. First Holy Communion preparation classes will begin in January 2024 on Saturday mornings in the church hall.

Hampers to be raffled: We've got some hampers that we will like to raffle away. Tickets £1 each to be sold after every Mass. The first three draws have taken place. The **final draw** takes place on **26th of November**. Please help us raise funds for the parish.

Confirmation 2024: Dear Parishioners, please continue to pray for our youth who have started their journey to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Thank you.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: will be celebrated on **Sunday,12th November**. Bereaved families will be invited to light candles for their loved ones. Please could you give your name and the names of your loved ones to the secretary. Also, the book of Remembrance is opened in the Church. Fr Ambrose would be grateful if you could kindly inscribe the names of your dearly departed under the appropriate date.

ST CECILIA'S MUSICAL PRAYER EVENING: Is on the **25th of November** from **7pm**. In preparation for that, Fr Ambrose is inviting the children of the parish to attend a musical practice session in the church every Wednesday 6:30pm.

Entrance Antiphon: Psalm 104: 3–4 Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading: Malachi 1:14-2: 2, 6-8 You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 130

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2: 7-9, 13 We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Samuel 3:9

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 23: 1-12 They do not practise what they preach.

Communion Antiphon: Psalm 15: 11 You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

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Or call the Presbytery DURING OFFICE HOURS

WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (5 November 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 (7:30 PM); THURSDAY—Padre Pio Prayer Group & Bible Study Group SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY) —SVP (7:30 PM ON ZOOM).

 $\textbf{Contact:} \ \underline{president A190305@svp.org.uk} \ \underline{07305119836}.$

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



Sick and Housebound: Cherlez Philip; Lucy Martin; Henry Aboagye-Brobbey; Beautilyn Awe; Alice Berkoh; William Curran, Roy Alleyne, Immaculate Isietu, Uley Headlam, Daniele Arthurine Massamba.

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 Ekpaa 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 Sofoluwe, Anthony Davidson, Mary O'Grady, Sylvia Moore, Jimmy Conwey, Mary Obiorah, Elianne Andam, Josephine Adeola Ajai, Selina Tay, Aubrey Middlecoat.

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A (05/11/23)

Vigil Mass on Saturday			6:30PM	- RIP: Hubert Shepherd			
SUNDAY MASSES			8:30AM	- For the People of the Parish - Holy Souls of Gerard Finnerty & Family			
			10:30AM	- Birthday & TI	hanksgiving:	Keenan Asare	
			4:30PM	- 90 Minutes with Jesus			
			6:00PM	- Birthday: M	adeleine C	Christian	
MONDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER			9:30AM	- RIP: Emmanuel Oresanya - Birthday: Eli-Emmanuel Boateng			
TUESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St George			9:30AM	- For the Souls of the Departed Parishioners			
ADORATION & BENEDICTION			10-12PM	- For the Youth in the Parish			
WEDNESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER			9:30AM	- RIP: Mrs Patricia Dunkley			
ST WILLBRORD EVENING MASS, ADORATION & ROSARY			7:30PM	- Holy Souls			
THURSDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA			9:30AM	- Birthday & Thanksgiving: Emma Anene			
FRIDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER ST LEO the Great			9:30AM	- Holy Souls			
EVENING MASS			7:00pm	- For our dearly departed Parishioners			
SATURDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER ST MARTIN of TOURS			10:00AM	- Thanksgiving: Paul Reddiar - Pro Life			
VIGIL MASS			6:30PM	- RIP: Tina Moss			
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£293.63	£219.20	£919.53	£1,432.36	£30	very much

2nd Collection this week: Archbishop's certificate course for Catechists.

The Archdiocese has graciously given us a grant of £2000. We applied for the grant so that 2 of our parishioners can be sponsored for the Archbishop's certificate course and for the purchase of a Marquee for our Easter Monday BBQ (incase the rains decide to visit us on that day). A 3rd parishioner has expressed interest in the Archbishop's course but to help towards covering part of the course **Our 2nd collection this weekend is to assist us cover the cost**. Thanks ever so much.

2nd Collection next week: Archbishop's Appeal [Youth & Evangelization; Our Faith in Action and; Clergy Care and Foundation].

TIME CHANGES

25th November: Vigil Mass will be at 6pm instead of 6:30pm. This is because at 7pm we begin our yearly concert—ST CECILIA'S MUSICAL PRAYER EVENING.

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CHRISTMAS STOCK IN REPOSITORY: We now have Christmas items for sale with limited Christmas cards, Calendars and Candles. All at very reasonable prices.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: From next Sunday (5th November) we will begin to take names for the Children's Christmas Party (primary school age) which takes place on the 3rd of December in the Church Hall. Please note no Tea/Coffee on that day.

HOLY COMMUNION RECEPTION: We are reminded that HOLY COMMUNION IS TO BE CONSUMED AT THE BASE OF THE ALTAR AFTER RECEPTION AND NOT TAKEN TO OUR SEAT. IT IS OUR GREATEST GIFT, CHRIST HIMSELF, AND WE NEED TO GIVE DUE REVERENCE.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: NOVEMBER is the MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS. We shall pray for all our faithful departed in every Mass celebrated in November. Please pick up and return ASAP a NOVEMBER LIST ENVELOPE at the back of the Church.

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT MASSES & CHRISTMAS MASSES: Because the 4th Sunday of Advent this year falls on Christmas Eve, the Christmas Eve Masses will be celebrated instead of the Sunday Evening Mass. That means that our Sunday Masses for the 4th Sunday of advent will be Vigil at 6;30, 8:30 am and 10:30am. The Christmas Eve Masses will be 6:30pm, 11:30pm (Carol service) and 12 midnight.

Westminster Cathedral Interfaith: There will be a discussion of Fratelli Tutti Chapter 8: Religions at the service of fraternity in our world. This will take place on Wednesday, 15 November 2023 from 1:30 to 3:00pm in the Hinsley Room, Morpeth Terrace, London, SW1P 1EP.

For more information, please contact

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All are welcome!

Please note that the **Parish Secretary** will be away from Monday 6th November for her annual leave and will return to work on 27th November. Kindly bear with us when she is away as we will endeavour to deal with your urgent requests as best as we can. Many thanks.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING BACK YOUR CENSUS FORMS

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

