

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	EVENT	
18 TH –21 ST DECEMBER	9:30AM 7:30PM	MORNING MASS CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS (SIMBANG GABI)	
Fri, 22 ND DECEMBER	9:30AM 10:30–12PM 7:30PM–9PM	MORNING MASS CHRISTMAS CLEAN-UP IN CHURCH & HOUSE RECONCILIATION SERVICE & CONFESSIONS	
Sat, 23 RD DECEMBER	10 AM 6:30PM	MORNING MASS SUNDAY VIGIL MASS	
Sun, 24 TH DECEMBER	8:30AM	<h1>SUNDAY MASSES</h1>	
SUNDAY (CHRISTMAS EVE)	10:30AM		
	6 ³⁰ PM		CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS
	11 ³⁰ PM		CAROL SERVICE
	12 AM		CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS
Mon, 25 TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS DAY	8 ³⁰ AM, 10:30AM & 6PM	<h1>CHRISTMAS MASSES</h1>	
Tue, 26 TH DECEMBER ST STEPHEN'S DAY	10 AM	<h1>ALTAR SERVER'S DAY</h1>	

COMING TO THE U.K.
SR BRIEGE MCKENNA O.S.C
FR PABLO ESCRIBA DE ROMANI

24th to 28th February 2024

St Chad's Parish - South Norwood




WEEK OF CATECHESIS
A TIME FOR A DEEPENING OF OUR FAITH

SR BRIEGE WILL BE HERE AT ST CHAD'S FOR OUR PARISH CATECHETICAL WEEK IN 2024. THE CATECHETICAL WEEK RUNS FROM 25TH OF FEBRUARY TO THE 3RD OF MARCH. IT WILL BE PRECEDED ON 18TH OF FEBRUARY BY A PASTORAL VISIT FROM ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON. THE ARCHDIOCESE HAS BEEN SO GRACIOUS IN FACILITATING SR BRIEGE'S AND FR PABLO'S VISIT—LOTS OF IMMIGRATION HURDLES, SAFEGUARDING, LETTERS FROM THEIR BISHOPS ETC. WHAT WE HAVE TO DO NOW IS TO RAISE THE FUNDS. (AN ESTIMATE OF £5000). WE'VE ALREADY RECEIVED SOME AMOUNT: HAMPER AT DOOR another DONATIONS: —£749; AN ANONYMOUS PERSON — £400; THE NIGERIAN COMMUNITY — £75, GHANAIAN COMMUNITY (PLEDGE)—£800, ENVELOPES— £150, DONA—£3. TOTAL SO FAR: £2,177.

BOTH SR BRIEGE AND FR PABLO SAY THEY PREFER TO STAY IN OUR PRESBYTERY. PART OF THE FUND WILL BE USED TO MAKE ONE OF THE ROOMS ENSUITE SO THAT SHE COULD HAVE HER OWN PRIVACY. AT THIS POINT, WE APPEAL FOR GOODWILL DONATIONS. THIS IS NOT AN EVERYDAY OPPORTUNITY AND YOUR SACRIFICE TOWARDS ITS REALISATION WILL BE RICHLI BLESSED BY GOD.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (17 December 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).

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PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



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

Recently Deceased: Esau Rahim, Jean Maher, Marjorie Osammor, Paulina Philips, Cecilia Fapohunda, Philomena Fitchley, Trudy Obiandu, Noel Joseph, Patricia Still, Felicia Mestura Oresanya, Noreen Carruthers, 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, Monica Abena Okyerebea Benn-Ussher, Immaculate Isietu, Frank Nana Sarpong, Anthony Curtis Dabor, Evelyn Ihuoma.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (17/12/23) Year B

	6:30PM 8:30AM 10:30AM 4:30PM 6:00PM	- For the Youth of the Parish - Thanksgiving: Sharon Reddiar - RIP: Agyapong & Osei Families - Birthday & Thanksgiving: Kelvin Asare - 90 minutes with Jesus - People of the parish
MONDAY, 18TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS	9:30AM 7:30PM	- RIP: Kenneth Maude (6 years)
TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER ADORATION & BENEDICTION CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS	9:30AM 10-12PM	- For God's Holistic Healing & Thanksgiving For success of our Parish Mission in February 2024
WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS	9:30AM 7:30PM	- Deceased & sick family/friends of Avril Carver - Sick & Housebound Parishioners
THURSDAY, 21ST DECEMBER CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS	9:30AM 7:30PM	- Birthday: Veronica Addo
FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER RECONCILIATION SERVICE	9:30AM 7:30pm	- Praying for the poor and needy ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE
SATURDAY, 23RD DECEMBER VIGIL MASS	10:00AM 6:30PM	- Unity in the Parish - For the Youth
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1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	<u>Total</u>	<u>Tithe</u>	Thank you very much
£174.99	£297.29	£791.83	£1,264.11	£40	

STANDING ORDERS AND ONLINE DONATIONS

Please would you seriously consider the option of setting up Standing Orders for your weekly donations to the parish. If you need help in setting this up, consult the Parish Office or your bank. Thanks so much for your understanding.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING SUNDAY: From January 2024, we are establishing— first on an experimental basis— what we call sharing Sunday on the 1st Sunday of every month. We could share food together on that day **BUT NO ALCOHOL IS WELCOME IN OUR HALL ON THAT DAY.**

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

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE: 31st December, 8pm—1am. Tickets £20 if purchased before 1st December. The "Red Strokes" band are playing. BYO food and drinks. Great raffle prizes. Tickets now on sale.

Children's Liturgy in December: As the hall is in use on many Sundays in December, there will be just one opportunity for Children's Liturgy in December. This will be at the **10:30 am mass on Sunday 17th December** and all children will be welcome. There will also be coffee in the hall after mass on the **17th and 24th of December.** Everyone welcome.

Bidding Prayer: *We pray for the visit of Archbishop John Wilson, Sr Briege and Fr Pablo to our parish in February 2024, that the Lord may pour out abundantly upon all parishioners His graces during the Archbishop's visit and parish mission.*

PRAYER FOR ST CHAD'S PARISH

Almighty Father, we wish to commit our Parish of St Chad into your merciful hands. We want to be a vibrant and flourishing parish formed after your heart, a family of missionary disciples of Jesus where love and service spread out from us to everybody. Touch the hearts of all of us and everybody within our parish to experience once again the power of the Risen Christ so that our hearts can be filled with Your love, joy, courage, strength and unity. We commit to you in a special way, the sick, the house-bound, the struggling, even the weary. May Mary our Mother of Perpetual Help be always close to us her children in all our hour of need. We make all these prayers through the merits of Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen.

St Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, pray for us.