

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Serving: Christmas and New Year 2023—Parents to serve at:
24th December Midnight Mass & 25th December 10:30am Mass
Final Practice will take place immediately after the 10:30am mass on the
24th of December in the church. Please stay behind after mass for an hour's
practice.

Parents to serve at: 31st December Midnight Mass & 1st January 10:30am
Mass. Practice will take place immediately after the 10:30am mass on the
31st of December in the church. Please stay behind after mass for an hour's
practice.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: The pupils of St Chad's Primary School have made
beautiful Christmas Cards with very touching messages for you. Kindly pick
a card at the back of the church and pray for them. Thank you.



**FATHER AMBROSE , FATHER MARTIN and
BROTHER CHRIST wish you all a Blessed
Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.**

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES: WE HAVE LOTS OF CHRIST-
MAS OFFERING ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.
PLEASE HELP YOURSELF TO IT.

ST CHAD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Hall enquiries: stchadshallbookings@gmail.com

Or call the Presbytery **DURING OFFICE HOURS**



WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS 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



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.

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (24/12/23) Year B

Merry Christmas	Vigil Mass on Saturday	6:30PM	- People of the Parish
		8:30AM	- People of the Parish
		10:30AM	- Thanksgiving: Lorraine & Seun Ashaye - RIP: Harry Ifeanyi Onwuli Wani
		6:30PM	- Vigil of the Nativity Mass
		11:00PM	- Carol Service
		12:00MIDNIGHT	- Midnight Mass
MONDAY, 25TH DECEMBER THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD		8:30AM	- RIP: Jaoa & Filipina Leitao
		10:30AM	- Thanksgiving: The Lord's Nativity from the Luu Family - Thanksgiving: Clement Lawson & Chikanele Onyealisi Families
CHRISTMASS EVENING MASS		6:00 PM	- Birthday: Mary Otchere—Pobie
TUESDAY, 26TH DECEMBER ST STEPHEN		10:00AM	- Altar Servers' Day in the Parish
WEDNESDAY, 27TH DECEMBER ST JOHN		9:30AM	- Healing: Erin McDonald
NO EVENING MASS			NO EVENING MASS
THURSDAY, 28TH DECEMBER THE HOLY INNOCENTS		9:30AM	- Birthday: Margaret Humphrey (90 yrs)
FRIDAY, 29TH DECEMBER ST THOMAS of CANTERBURY		9:30AM	- Thanksgiving: Cuthbert & Leonie Sequeira
NO EVENING MASS			NO EVENING MASS
SATURDAY, 30TH DECEMBER 6TH DAY within the OCTAVE of CHRISTMAS		10:00AM	- Birthday: Mrs Avril Carver & her Stepdaughter
		6:30PM	- For the Youth
SUNDAY, 31ST DECEMBER THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY & JOSEPH		8:30AM 10:30AM 6:30PM 11:00PM	NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES
MONDAY, 1ST JANUARY 2024		8:30AM 10:30AM 6:00PM	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
TUESDAY, 2ND JANUARY 2024		9:30AM	Mass as usual

1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	Total	Tithe	Thank you very much
£252.38	£191.56	£354.27	£798.21	£---	

PLEASE COLLECT & RETURN A CENSUS FORM AT BACK OF CHURCH

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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.**

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

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



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.