

PARISH EVENTS—IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY – Sunday, 1st December (today), from 1pm to 4:30pm. It will be fun filled and full of surprises.

SENIOR CITIZENS OF ST CHAD'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH: SUNDAY, 8th December from 1pm to 5pm. Tickets are being allocated this weekend after all the masses. To obtain your ticket, please see Karen Lobo at the back of the church after each mass. Kindly note that as Parish funds are limited, we are taking donations towards the cost of each ticket.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DANCE - SAT 14TH DECEMBER: 7.30 -11.30PM. Live music by Pat Webster and Rewind. Food on sale and licensed bar. Tickets in advance £12. Come one come all!

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE: 31ST DEC @ 8PM-1AM. Live music by John Hunt and Wild Fire. Food on sale. BYO—bring your own drinks. Tickets purchased before 1 Dec £20. Thereafter if available £25.

CALLING ALL YOUTH OF ST CHAD'S

FLAME 2025: Unstoppable - Fan the Flame of Hope! The Southwark Diocesan Youth Service is thrilled to invite all young people to join them once again for an inspirational day of worship, top-rated speakers, fantastic music and the chance to join together in prayer. This takes place on Saturday, 15 March, 2025 at the OVO Arena, Wembley. Father Ambrose would like to encourage **ALL 12 year olds and above of this Parish** to attend this event. Parents, kindly encourage your young ones to attend this great event. Further details will be provided in due course.

Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time for preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

ADVENT /CHRISTMAS PROGRAMMES WILL BE OUT NEXT WEEK.

EVENING MASSES AT ST CHAD'S

1st Wednesday	Mass for the sick through the intercession of Padre Pio—7 ³⁰ PM
2nd Wednesday	Mass for all those suffering from Cancer—7 ³⁰ PM
3rd Wednesday	Mass for the sick and Blessing of Holy Water—7 ³⁰ PM
4th Wednesday	Healing Mass & Anointing - 7 ³⁰ PM
Every Friday	7 ³⁰ PM Mass, Special intention: For the dead
Last Friday of the Month	Requiem Mass for deceased Parishioners, relatives, etc: 7 ³⁰ PM

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00am—3:00pm

Hall enquiries: stchadshallbookings@gmail.com

Or call the Presbytery DURING OFFICE HOURS

WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (1ST DECEMBER 2024)

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 (730PM ON ZOOM).

Contact: presidentA190305@svp.org.uk 07305119836.

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION




Sick and Housebound: Cherlez Philip; Henry Aboagye-Brobbe; Beautilyn Awe; Alice Berkoh; Roy Alleyne; Uley Headlam; Daniele Arthurine Massamba; Ray Lobo, Rosaline Amalu, Clare Kedves, Felix Adah, Terry Greene.

Recently Deceased: John Carey, Catherine Goba, Julieta Gomes, Maria Domingos Alberto, Omezie Mogbo, Fr Solomon Dankaro, Victor Owusu, Dawn Shaw, Ronald Roberts, Francis Godfrey Nyeko, Sr Celsus Nealon, Gabriel Kehinde Whenu, Fr Bernard Ashipu CSSp, Dorcas Baka, Annie Maloney, Pamela Ifeanyi Nwonah, Okey Nwandu.

PRAISE & WORSHIP: will start every 2nd Sunday at 10:00am before the 10:30am mass. You are all very welcome to join Vincent Luu.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (01/12/24) YEAR C

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Vigil Mass on Saturday</u>		6:00PM	Birthday: Karen Lobo			
		8:30AM	RIP: Robert O'Grady (27th Anniversary)			
		10:30AM	RIP: William Curran			
		4:30PM	90 Minutes with Jesus			
		6:00PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH			
MONDAY, 2ND DECEMBER		9:30AM	Birthday: Tina Agyemang			
TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER <u>ST FRANCIS XAVIER</u>		9:30AM	Birthday: David Asamoah Owusu			
<u>ADORATION & BENEDICTION</u>		10:15–12PM	Thanksgiving to St Xavier by Luu Family			
WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER <u>ST JOHN DAMASCENE</u>		9:30AM	RIP: Regina Ayithey (Heavenly Birthday)			
<u>EVENING MASS</u>		7:30PM	RIP: Frank Sarpong & Nana Brefo			
THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER <u>ST JOHN ALMOND</u>		9:30AM	Holy Souls from the Luu Family			
FRIDAY, 6TH DECEMBER <u>ST NICHOLAS</u>		9:30AM	Healing: Clare Kedves			
<u>EVENING MASS</u>		7:30PM	HOLY SOULS			
SATURDAY, 7TH DECEMBER <u>ST AMBROSE</u>		10:00AM	Thanksgiving to St Ambrose from the Luu Family			
<u>VIGIL MASS</u>		6:30PM	Special Intentions: Margaret Roberts			
1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	TOTAL	TITHE	MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.	
£273.37	£507.42	£ 596.81	£1,377.6	£50		
Second Collection last week: Catholic Youth Services: £284.99						

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 - Registration forms are now available at the back of the church. Children who enrol should be in Year 3 or above in Primary School. Forms should be completed and returned in person to the Guild Room on Saturday 7th December 10am-midday. Members of the team will meet you there. **WE ARE SORRY BUT FORMS RECEIVED AFTER 7TH DECEMBER WILL BE DEFERRED TO FHC 2026.**

CONFIRMATION Catechism: Sundays from 3pm to 5pm. All Candidates should endeavour to arrive early, by 2:45pm for registration in the Hall.

PARISH REGISTER: Kindly note that we have now collated a new database of the Parish Register from the Parish Census forms received. To be a REGISTERED PARISHIONER, kindly complete the Census Form at the back of the Church, if you have not already done so, and hand it in at the Presbytery. **The old Register is now obsolete.** We require all old & new Parishioners to complete the form. Data Protection requires us to keep updated information. Many thanks for your co-operation.

CHRISTMAS ALTAR FLOWERS: Please donate generously towards the purchase of flowers to use on the Altar during Christmas.

MASS INTENTIONS: Kindly note that the Diocesan requirement is **one Mass Intention per Mass.** Please ensure to book your mass intention well in advance to avoid any disappointment. Should your preferred date not be available, kindly choose another date. Many Thanks.

Kindly note: Fr Pascoal Gomes Domingos lost his mother (Julieta Gomes) last Tuesday and Father Martin Goba also lost his mother (Catherine Goba) last Wednesday. Please do remember them in your prayers. May the souls of Julieta Gomes and Catherine Goba rest in the bosom of the Lord. Amen.

Free Workshops with the Catechitical Institute: From today, every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our schools, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>

Did you know your pension is also taxed? Therefore, you can have your donations gift aided. Fill a form out TODAY.

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.



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 complete a form at the back of the church or see the secretary. Thank you

First Sunday of Advent HOPE

*We stay awake, watch and wait, for we do not know the hour or the day of your arrival.
COME, LORD, BRINGER OF HOPE.
Create in us a desire for a world transformed to reflect your glory.
COME, LORD, BRINGER OF HOPE.
Lead us in your ways, as together we make a change, to dispel the darkness of poverty.
COME, LORD, BRINGER OF HOPE.*

