

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Parish Fundraising - Parish Autumn Dance on Saturday, 12th September 2026, from 7:30pm to 11:30pm. Music by DJ Ronnie, Pat Webster and special guest Star. Tickets: £10 in advance. Licenced Bar and food on sale. SVP fundraising Cake Sale after both 8:30 & 10:30am Masses, of every Sunday this August. Kindly come and support this good cause. SVP Healing Mass on Saturday, 26th September 2026 at the 10:00am.

Flame 2027—Join thousands of young Catholics from across England & Wales for FLAME 2027, the largest Catholic youth gathering in the country for ages 14 & above. Date: Saturday, 6 March 2027; Venue: OVO Arena Wembley; Ticket: £30 excluding transportation. This year's theme is: "Take courage! I have overcome the world." (John 16:33). We have a slot for 80 people. Please book your space ASAP. Contact Marnique: 07305948628 for further information.

World Youth Day 2027—We are looking for interested young people who ARE COMMITTED to the Youth Ministry in St Chad's to contact the Parish office by the 24th of August. Committed individuals have to be ready to meet together to discuss how to raise funds for the WYD. Such meetings need to begin ASAP because time is not on our side.

You are invited to join the St Chad's Justice and Peace initiative by coming to a meeting in the hall on Thursday 27th August at 7.30pm to make this more real for us personally, in our families, our parish, our work, Croydon and beyond. Are you up for it? All welcome whether or not this is your first time.

March for Life - on Saturday, 5th September, at 1.30 pm, from the Emmanuel Centre. See leaflet on notice board of on the repository table and more information - [March for Life UK](https://www.marchforlife.co.uk) <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk>

Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM): On Sunday, 27th September, after the 10.30am Mass, annual fundraising event in support of the Macmillan Cancer Support and St Chad's Church. Savouries, sweet treats and drinks will be available to purchase, with proceeds shared between Macmillan Cancer Support and St Chad's Church. Your support and generosity will be greatly appreciated. God bless.

400-Club Membership - We are still taking new members & renewals. Cost: £25 cash for 12 monthly draws. Cash prizes every month of £100, £50 & £25. You need to be in it to win. Please support your Parish. Collect your form from the Repository. We urgently need a 23 more people to join to help raise funds for our Parish. Thank You.

THIS SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS:

1st Reading: Isaiah 22:15, 19-23

Psalms: 138(137): *O Lord, your merciful love is eternal; discard not the work of your hands.*

2nd Reading: Romans 11:33-36; **Gospel:** Matthew 16: 13-20.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR WEEKEND MASS TIMES STILL REMAIN AS USUAL—
SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:30PM, SUNDAY MASSES: 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM.
ANY CHANGE WILL BE COMMUNICATED VIA THE BULLETIN.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (23RD AUGUST 2026)

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); TUESDAY—DIVINE MERCY (7:30PM);
THURSDAY—Padre Pio Prayer Group & Bible Study Group; FRIDAY—LEGION OF MARY
(5:00 PM); SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY)—SVP (7:30PM ON ZOOM).
Contact: presidentA190305@svp.org.uk 07305119836.

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



Sick and Housebound: Bridget Nze, Phaniya Sravaisdiporn, Florence Otokito, Maria Alejandra Boero, Cherlez Philip, Henry Aboagye-Brobbe, Beautilyn Awe, Uley Headlam, Clare Kedves, Ethan Moore, Avril Carver, Eucelle Cato, Trisha Griffen, Janetta Griffen, Brother Joseph Mbah CSSp.

Recently Deceased: Margaret Phoenix Brown, Corazon Haq, Victor Ozonu, Miriam Mgbakor, Rose Abili, Augustina Ejiofor, Alvin Jason Anthonysamy, Frances Bengé, Ina Doyle, Roy Andrews, Rev Canon Alan McLean, Mabel Adefoluke Ogunnaike, Mankah Awasum, Fr Brian O' Mahony CSSp, Sr Martha Ozigbo, Sr Felia Anielum, Sr Eunice Offo, Ajibike Odunuga, Noel Dantas, Kweku Agbenu, Reginald Gerrar, Donald Crankson.

SVP FUNDRAISING AFTER SUNDAY MASS THIS AUGUST. PLEASE HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE POOR & NEEDY.

TWENTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (23/08/26) YEAR A

<u>Vigil Mass on Saturday</u>	6:30PM	RIP: Ron Roberts (2nd Anniversary)
	8:30AM	Thanksgiving: Lisa Rose Akanumah Family
21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10:30AM	10th Wedding Anniversary: Paul Aboagye Nyame & Aba Duku
	4:30PM	90 minutes withy Jesus
	6:00PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (Pro Populo)
MONDAY, 24TH AUGUST ST BARTHOLOMEW	9:30AM	30th Wedding Anniversary: Isi & Amechi Uduehi
TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST ST LOUIS	9:30AM	RIP: Thomas Michael
<u>BENEDICTION & ADORATION</u>	10:15AM	Adoration ends at 12:00 noon
WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST BLESSED DOMINIC of the MOTHER of GOD	9:30AM	Healing: Paul Phi Luu
<u>EVENING MASS</u>	7:30PM	Birthday: Zoe Enejedu
THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST ST MONICA	9:30AM	Special Intentions: Jane Enejedu
FRIDAY, 28TH AUGUST ST AUGUSTINE	9:30AM	13th Wedding Anniversary: Lucas & Anthea Simon
<u>15 STATIONS of the CROSS</u>	7:00PM	15 STATIONS of the CROSS
<u>EVENING MASS</u>	7:30PM	RIP: Sylvanus Abel Dogbe
SATURDAY, 29TH AUGUST THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	10:00AM	Special Intentions: Rosemerry Mensah
<u>VIGIL MASS</u>	6:30PM	RIP: Christiana & Ricardo Orogo

MASS FOR HOLY SOULS: Would you consider attending an extra Mass every week to pray for the Holy Souls on Friday evening at 7:30PM? Its an act of charity for them.

1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	TOTAL	Tithe	MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GEN- EROSITY
£481.41	£216.97	£472.41	£1,170.79	£———	

Mission Appeals for Dominican Congregation: £ 787.05

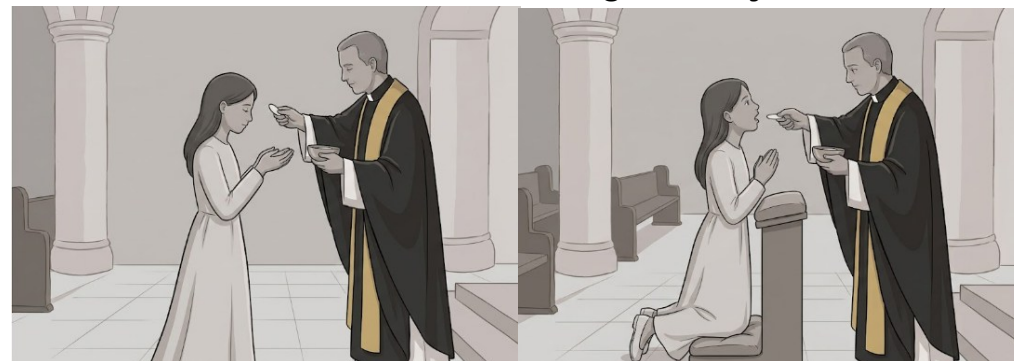
Financial Outgoings: £ 190.31

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.



Reminder: Manner of receiving the Body of Christ



Please say an audible 'Amen' when the priest says 'Body of Christ'
Below are some quotations from the Church's document

Redemptionis Sacramentum: On certain matters to be observed or to be avoided regarding the Most Holy Eucharist

The Document comes From

(Dicastery for Divine Worship & the discipline of the Sacraments, formerly the Congregation for Divine Worship & the Discipline of the Sacraments)
Please also pay attention to the italicized words.

[90.] "The faithful should receive Communion kneeling or standing, as the Conference of Bishops will have determined", with its acts having received the *recognitio* of the Apostolic See. "However, if they receive Communion standing, it is recommended that they give due reverence before the reception of the Sacrament, as set forth in the same norms"

[91.] In distributing Holy Communion it is to be remembered that "sacred ministers may not deny the sacraments to those who seek them in a reasonable manner, are rightly disposed, and are not prohibited by law (of the Catholic Church) from receiving them". Hence any baptized Catholic who is not prevented by law (of the Catholic Church) must be admitted to Holy Communion. Therefore, it is not licit to deny Holy Communion to any of Christ's faithful solely on the grounds, for example, that the person wishes to receive the Eucharist kneeling or standing.

[92.] Although each of the faithful always has the right to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, at his choice, if any communicant should wish to receive the Sacrament in the hand, in areas where the Bishops' Conference with the *recognitio* of the Apostolic See has given permission, the sacred host is to be administered to him or her. ***However, special care should be taken to ensure that the host is consumed by the communicant in the presence of the minister, so that no one goes away carrying the Eucharistic species in his hand. If there is a risk of profanation, then Holy Communion should not be given in the hand to the faithful***".

The Holy Mass is the Prayer of the Church, the Source & Summit of the Christian life, it is not anyone's personal property. It has a structure which is followed religiously from Toronto to Takoradi, Washington to Warsaw, Lisbon to Lima. Spontaneous prayers, spontaneous readings at the pulpit, spontaneous exclamations and spontaneous gestures for example during the Eucharistic Prayer or Our Father are generally discouraged.