

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

SENIOR CITIZENS OF ST CHAD'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH: SUNDAY, 8th December from 1pm to 5pm in the Church Hall. 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.

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.**

The Advent candles are part of a Christian tradition that marks the beginning of the Advent period, a time of spiritual preparation for Christmas. The candles are usually arranged in wreath. 1st week PURPLE represents HOPE; 2nd week PURPLE represents LOVE; 3rd week PINK represents JOY; 4th week PURPLE represents PEACE & the WHITE candle is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Second Sunday of Advent **LOVE**

We repent and are sorry for the damage we have caused to our earth and one another.

COME, LORD, BEARER OF LOVE.

Guide us as we seek to straighten the paths of injustice and prepare a way for You.

COME, LORD, BEARER OF LOVE.

Lead us in your ways, as together we make a change and reach out in love to others.

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Or call the Presbytery **DURING OFFICE HOURS**



WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (8TH 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 (7:30PM 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, Terry Greene.

Recently Deceased: Felix Adah, 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (08/12/24) YEAR C

<u>Vigil Mass on Saturday</u>	6:00PM 8:30AM 10:30AM 6:00PM	Special Intentions: Margaret Roberts Birthday: Philomena Adah RIP: Bernadette Simons PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
<u>MONDAY, 9TH DECEMBER THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</u>	9:30AM	RIP: Mona Hathaway (11th Anniversary)
<u>TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER OUR LADY of LORETO</u> <u>ADORATION & BENEDICTION</u>	9:30AM 10:15–12PM	Birthday: Agnes Konadu RIP: Felix Adah
<u>WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER ST DAMASUS I</u> <u>EVENING MASS</u>	9:30AM 7:30PM	Deliverance: Jane Enejedu, Onos, Ivie & children Good Health for all Parishioners
<u>THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE</u>	9:30AM	Birthday: Malemna Bawunmia
<u>FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER ST LUCY</u> <u>EVENING MASS</u>	9:30AM 7:30PM	Thanksgiving: Ivy Caesar HOLY SOULS
<u>SATURDAY, 14TH DECEMBER ST JOHN of the CROSS</u> <u>VIGIL MASS</u>	10:00AM 6:30PM	PRO LIFE RIP: Hubert Shepherd

PLEASE PICK UP CHRISTMAS PROGRAMMES AT BACK OF CHURCH

1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	TOTAL	TITHE	MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.
£499.65	£416.00	£1,088.72	£2,004.37	£---	

Second Collection this week: Christmas Flowers for the Church
Christmas Fayre income: £1390.
St Cecilia's Sleeping bag donation: Account will be published next weekend.

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*

Announcements

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat at All Saints Church 531 Kenton Road Kenton London HA3 0UL on the corner of Claremont Avenue; 600 yards west of Kingsbury Circus/Kingsbury Tfl Station, via Bus 183 on **Saturday 14 December 2024** from 1 pm to 4:30 pm. The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Holy Rosary, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. For more info call Millie on 07957594646 . No need to register for retreat

The bishops of England and Wales, following the Pope's lead, are encouraging us to change our lifestyles so as to help reverse climate change. **Here are some tips for Christmas. Remember the 3 Rs: refuse, re-use, recycle.** For instance, you can reduce plastic use in toiletries by buying bars of soap and bars of shampoo, instead of bottles of handwash and shampoo. You will find a wide range of green toiletries (plastic free/ethically sourced/organic/vegan) on offer online, and some high street shops sell shampoo bars, for instance Lush and Superdrug.

JUBILEE 2025— begins this December until December 2025. The Pope has given its theme as '**Pilgrims of Hope**'. It is a time for resetting our relationship with God, with one another and with the world around us.

POPE'S INTENTION for DECEMBER—*For pilgrims of hope. We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.*

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH



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