

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Sunday, 7th December from 1pm to 5pm.

Please note that names and payments of all who wish to attend this event should kindly see Karen at this weekend Masses.

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

Called to Bear Fruit consultation response published. Thank you to the thousands of people who took part in the Called to Bear Fruit consultation. We are grateful to you all for sharing so openly your hopes for the life of the Church in our Archdiocese. The consultation response, which includes 15 actions points for renewal, is available at rcaos.org.uk/calledtobearfruit and hardcopies will be sent to every parish.

The consultation revealed a burning desire within our parishes to be missionary and evangelising disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, who work together to help people encounter His love.

So, as we move forward on the next steps together, let's build up the Body of Christ in Southwark with faith and confidence, becoming ever more a community of missionary disciples filled with joy and hope for the future. As an Archdiocese, we will continue to discern the process of renewal, and further updates will be provided in due course.

There is a **Wholesome Definite Service Network** event for **PARISH LEADS & DEANERY MENTORS** on **Saturday, 6 December 2025** at the **Amigo Hall**. Parish Leads are invited to register. [SDS Network Day: The Power of Intentional Accompaniment \(06-Dec-2025\) · Church Suite Events](http://SDSNetworkDay:ThePowerofIntentionalAccompaniment(06-Dec-2025)·ChurchSuiteEvents).

The Jubilee Year concludes in just six weeks. There is still time for individuals, groups and parishes to visit the designated shrines and churches across the archdiocese and to receive the plenary indulgence. For a full list of places: <https://rcaos.org.uk/faith/jubilee-2025/designated-jubilee-churches-and-shrines/>



ADVENT has a twofold character, for it is a time of 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 these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

First Sunday of Advent—HOPE

God of HOPE, awaken our hearts to You this Advent season and fill our hearts with hopeful anticipation of Your coming so that when Jesus arrives, we are ready to receive Him in our hearts and minds. Amen.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (30TH NOVEMBER 2025)

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: Venetia Green, Florence Otokito, Maria Alejandra Boero, Cherlez Philip, Henry Aboagye-Brobbe, Beautilyn Awe, Uley Headlam, Clare Kedves, Robert Alexander, Ethan Moore, Avril Carver, Eucelle Cato, Trisha Griffen, Janet Griffen, Fr Peter Ehinmimo CSSp, Brother Joseph Mbah CSSp.

Recently Deceased: Fr Patrick Gaffney CSSp, Adesina Adeleke, Francisca Mauta Nzyimi, Fr Amos Daboer, Charlotte Green, Alice Berkoh, Tom D'Arcy, Noel Collins, Thomas Michael, Rosario Santos, Mavis Woodbine, Catherine Okolo, Benjamin Kwame Anthony, Ademola Ademiluyi, Nigel Lewis, Simon De Souza, Grace Schembri, Yepaye Kobhawa, Gloria Scott, Fr Ray Blake, Seifou Michael Asfaw, Fr Marcel Fango CSSp.

Please note that Fr Fabian is away on his annual break from the 2nd of December for a month.

First Sunday of Advent (30/11/25) YEAR A

Vigil Mass on Saturday		6:30PM 8:30AM 10:30AM 4:30PM 6:00PM	RIP: Beatrice Rapu (48th Anniversary) RIP: Tom D'Arcy Birthday: Teddy Curran 90 minutes with Jesus PEOPLE OF THE PARISH		
					
MONDAY, 1ST DECEMBER Ss Edmund Campion & Co ADORATION & BENEDICTION		9:30AM —————→	Successful operation and healing for Tom Caluori 10:30-11:30AM		
DAY 1: PARISH MISSION					
PRAISE & WORSHIP GOD'S LOVE: THE AMAZING STORY OF JOHN PRIDMORE			7PM -7:30PM 7:30PM—9PM		
TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER ADORATION & BENEDICTION		9:30AM —————→	RIP: Dawn Shaw 10:30-11:30AM		
DAY 2: PARISH MISSION					
PRAISE & WORSHIP GOD'S MERCY: A CHANCE TO MEET JESUS PERSONALLY			7PM -7:30PM 7:30PM—9PM		
WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER St Francis Xavier ADORATION & BENEDICTION		9:30AM —————→	Birthday: David Asamoah-Owusu Thanksgiving to Francis Xavier by Luu family 10:30—11:30AM		
DAY 3: PARISH MISSION					
PRAISE & WORSHIP GOD'S HEALING: HEALING SERVICE (MIRACLES ABOUND)			7PM -7:30PM 7:30PM—9PM		
THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER St John Damascene		9:30AM	RIP: Felix Adah (1st Anniversary)		
FRIDAY, 5TH DECEMBER St John Almond EVENING MASS		9:30AM 7:30PM	Holy Souls by the Luu Family Holy Souls in Purgatory		
SATURDAY, 6TH DECEMBER ST NICHOLAS VIGIL MASS		10:00AM 6:30PM	Special intentions: Fr Ambrose by Charismatic group Special Intentions: Fr Fabian by Charismatic group		
1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	TOTAL	Tithe	MANY THANKS TO ALL
£411.06	£225.32	£970.66	£1,607.04	£50	
Financial outgoings (this week)			£6,844.29		
2nd Collection <u>this</u> weekend: Parish Mission					
2nd Collection on 6 th /7 th December: Parish Mission					
We Rely On Your Usual Generosity to help us defray the cost of the Mission					

PARISH MISSION! PARISH MISSION!! PARISH MISSION!!!



John Pridmore ex-gangster & international bestselling Author of book 'From Gangland to Promised Land' will be sharing his amazing story in St Chad's on Monday night. He has been interviewed all over the world including EWTN, RTE, BBC, UTV, American and Australian TV, etc. Special friend of Mother Theresa and John Paul II, we are very blessed to have John with us for the next 5 days. There are loads and loads of testimonies about John Pridmore's ministry. You can see it on the parish WhatsApp chat. Just 2 are given here:

TESTIMONIES

- ♦ One man in his seventies said he was going to Mass every Sunday since he was seven but at the mission he attended his life changed when he personally met Jesus.
- ♦ A fifteen year old girl who attended a mission said that for the first time in her life she not only knew God was real but that he loved her.

NIGHT 1: GOD'S LOVE: THE AMAZING STORY OF JOHN PRIDMORE

NIGHT 2: GOD'S MERCY: A CHANCE TO MEET JESUS PERSONALLY

NIGHT 3: GOD'S HEALING: HEALING SERVICE (MIRACLES ABOUND)

John will speak at all the masses during the mission.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET TO KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD IN A NEW WAY

THERE WILL BE PRAISE & WORSHIP, EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, CONFESSIONS, TALKS, HEALING SERVICE ETC. PLEASE COME AND EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF THE LORD.

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PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Saturday, 13th December—Christmas Dance. Music by Pat Webster plus DJ Ronnie De Visser; from 7:30pm and finish at 11:30pm

Wednesday, 31st December—New Year's Eve Dance. Music by TNT from 8:00pm— 1:00am. Tickets £20 purchased before 1/12, thereafter £25.