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ALL SAINTS - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026

SATURDAY	31ST	18:00	All Saints	Solemnity	Mary Mills RIP
SUNDAY	1ST	08:30	All Saints	Solemnity	Pete Ridgeway RIP
SUNDAY	1ST	10:00	All Saints	Solemnity	Mary Santos - wellbeing
SUNDAY	1ST	12:00	All Saints	Solemnity	Maria Fenny Crawford RIP
SUNDAY	1ST	18:00	All Saints	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
MONDAY	2ND	10:00	All Souls' Day	Memorial	Deceased Parishioners
MONDAY	2ND	19:30	All Souls' Day	Memorial	Deceased Parishioners
TUESDAY	3RD	10:00	St. Martin de Porres	Memorial	
WEDNESDAY	4TH	10:00	St. Charles Borromeo	Memorial	
THURSDAY	5TH	10:00		Feria	
FRIDAY	6TH	10:00		Feria	
Saturday	7TH	10:00	Dedication of St. George's Cathedral	Feast	

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM & 12PM MASS

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY EVENING: 5PM - 5:40PM



We pray for those who have died recently including Kieran O'Shea Mills, Roger King and Patricia Guidera and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Susan Murray, Barbara Anne Caroline Breeze, John Voak, Anne Brown, Alice Joan Webber, Amanda Fenlon and Dorothy Northey. May their souls - and the souls of all the faithful departed - through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

As we begin the month of November together we do so in great hope as we remember the example of the saints and the truth that they are in heaven - where each of us long to be to enjoy authentic happiness which is without end. Our celebration turns to commemoration as we then immediately join together to remember the Holy Souls and to pray for them - we do this especially at Mass (the most powerful prayer: the prayer of Jesus Himself) which is celebrated twice on All Souls' Day to give people the opportunity to come. We pray for the Holy Souls because - as the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us - consequences still remain after the forgiveness of sin and Jesus refers to these in different parables about the need for restitution and correction. Purgatory is a place of purification for all who die in God's grace and friendship so that God might achieve in us the holiness necessary to enter into the joy of heaven. The most compelling teaching about purgatory comes from John Henry Newman's poem *The Dream of Gerontius* (set to music by Edward Elgar) in which Gerontius is taken up to heaven only to say "take me away" because the light is too bright; the scene too magnificent for his soul to bear. We may know the feeling of our eyesight not being adequate enough to read and we have to go away and get tested and acquire glasses so as to be ready. In the same way Purgatory is that time of testing and preparation to help us see and enjoy the life that we were created to lead but which - through sin - we can resist and need to be helped to appreciate by God's grace. Our prayers play a role in helping those in Purgatory to be brought closer to union with Christ and so when we gather on Monday to remember the Holy Souls we especially remember those whom we've lost from our parish and ask that the Lord Jesus bring them speedily to Himself.

PARISH NEWS

NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: During the month of November we are especially called to remember the faithful departed and to pray for them. Masses will be offered throughout the month for the souls in purgatory and if you would like to have a Mass said for a departed relative please get in touch with us. There will be two Masses for the Holy Souls in our parish - at 10am and 7:30pm on Monday. All are welcome to attend.

SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Monday 14th December at 12:15pm. Please bring an item for the raffle with you. It is possible to sign up on the noticeboard as usual.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING & DBS CHECKS FOR VOLUNTEERS: All volunteers needing a DBS certificate for their role within the church need to do some safeguarding training every 3 years. This can be done independently online or you can attend one of the training sessions being organised: either on Saturday 21/11/2026 at 10:30 or online on Monday 16/11/2026 at 19:30. If you would like to do the training independently or are unsure when you last did the training please contact Anne Rodger (our safeguarding representative) on brixtonhillsg2@safeguardraos.org.uk or on [07940782248](tel:07940782248). To attend the training please [click here](#) or email the parish office.

CHANGED DATES: THE JOURNEY OF THE SYNOD: Over recent years the church has been on a journey of self discovery through the synodal process moving between local, national and international levels. Over the coming weeks we are invited as a parish to explore the resource [A Feast For All Peoples](#), which draws on the final document from Rome. It should help us understand how, as brothers and sisters in Christ, we can encounter God more deeply and through that serve one another and our neighbours, within and beyond our community. There will be two initial meetings on **Tuesday 10th or Friday 13th November from 7:30pm until 9pm**. To register to attend please click [here](#), scan the QR code above or call us.



TEACH ME TO PRAY: The Spirituality Commission of our Archdiocese is running a programme on prayer both online and in person. There are four online sessions on Tuesday evenings beginning this week on the topic "Prayer as Listening" and you can access the session by clicking [here](#). The days of reflection in person are on Sat 5th December in Lewisham and Sat 12th December in Roehampton.

SVP CLOTHES BANK - URGENT APPEAL: The SVP Clothes bank - upon the sale of the Talma Road building - needs to relocate. They need storage space in a place that can accommodate up to 30 people and a display of clothes. Sessions are monthly. Please call Foufou to help: 07949603968.

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS: You need to complete our form [here](#).

CONFIRMATION / FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMMES: begin with essential parents' sessions on **Thursday 12th November** and **Tuesday 24th November**. The sessions begin at 7:30pm and will conclude at 8:30pm. At least one parent is expected to attend both sessions.

REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER: We have a new parishioner registration form that helps us stay in touch, provide pastoral care, and understand the gifts within our community; it takes 5 mins to complete. Thank you for helping us grow together as a parish. Please fill it out via [this link](#) or scan the QR code on the right. Paper copies are available in the porch.

