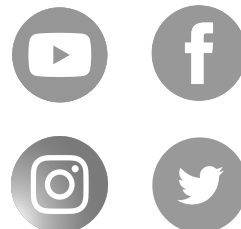





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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY VIGIL	2ND	18:00	Thirty-First Sunday	Solemnity	Pete Ridgeway RIP
SUNDAY	3RD	08:30	Thirty-First Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	3RD	10:00	Thirty-First Sunday	Solemnity	Eluwa Family RIP
SUNDAY	3RD	12:00	Thirty-First Sunday	Solemnity	
SUNDAY	3RD	18:00	Thirty-First Sunday	Solemnity	David Tiehi
MONDAY	4TH	10:00	St Charles Borromeo	Memorial	
TUESDAY	5TH	10:00		Feria	Rev. Tom Creagh-Fuller RIP
WEDNESDAY	6TH	10:00		Feria	Gojko Novakovic RIP
THURSDAY	7TH	10:00	St George's Cathedral	Feast	The O'Meara Family
FRIDAY	8TH	10:00		Feria	
SATURDAY	9TH	10:00	Lateran Basilica	Feast	

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 5:40PM [HALL]

TEA & COFFEE: AFTER 10AM MASS [THURS & SUN]



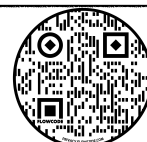
We pray for those who have died recently: Joshua Nwafor, John Haughey, Regina Ogodo and Anna Connell & Weletemariam and all whose anniversaries occur around this time including Susan Murray, John Voak, Anne Brown, Alice Joan Webber, Amanda Fenlon, Dorothy Northey, Igbo Ojaruega. May they - and all the faithful departed - RIP.

Last Thursday evening (Halloween) Fr Mebrate and I went - with a few young adults from our parish - to St George's Cathedral for an event organised by [Southwark Catholic Young Adults](#). It was a gathering of people aged between 18 and 40 which involved prayer before the Blessed Sacrament accompanied by live praise and worship music. There was also the opportunity to go to Confession with 6 priests available in the Confessionals and in the side-chapels. Archbishop John also came to pray with the young adults and speak to them about his devotion to Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati - a saint who lived in Turin at the beginning of the 20th century and died aged only 24. I wondered whether many would come with it being half-term, however, over 250 people were there with the priests being kept busy all night hearing confessions and it was inspiring to see the faith of the young who - instead of busying themselves with the superficiality of costumes and pumpkins - chose to make All Hallows Eve a time of drawing closer to Christ. In the reception afterwards I met people from all across the city who were grateful for the opportunity to learn about their new "friend in heaven" whom Archbishop John encouraged them to draw close to. He assured them that Blessed Pier Giorgio is an encouraging figure for his normality - his love of the things that we love; friendship and fun but also his simple devotion to Jesus in the Mass. All of us need encouragement in our faith and particularly within our culture in which the spiritual is so often forgotten and the person of Jesus Christ absent from our screens and headphones. Blessed Pier Giorgio didn't allow himself to forget the Lord and made a priority of seeking him in daily Mass and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. This is what led him to recognise Jesus in the poor of Turin who filled the city streets for his funeral. May his example lead us to never give up on holiness but seek to come closer to Our Lord in the Eucharist and the poor.

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PARISH NEWS

THE ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support projects taking place within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Please submit Mass intention requests through the Priests' House door for Mass to be offered for the repose of the soul of the deceased. We will do our best to arrange a Mass during November. We will also display the book of the dead.

THIS WEEK: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2025: courses for those in year 3 (First Holy Communion) and year 8 (Confirmation) begin with parents' sessions on **Thursday 7th and Tuesday 12th November at 7pm**. Attendance **at both sessions** is required to enrol your child.

ADVENT REFLECTION: I'm delighted that we will welcome Abbot Hugh Allan on Tuesday 10th December at 7:30pm in our Church who will give an Advent Reflection. Abbot Hugh will help us - in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament - to prepare spiritually for Christmas. All are welcome!

ADVENT CONCERT: I'm also delighted that we will welcome professional musicians including a string quartet, harpist, flute, lute and violin who will play Advent Music in our Church on Friday 6th December at 7pm. Tickets are free and available by clicking [here](#).

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY: Saturday 14th December at 7pm. All are welcome to attend!

SCRIPTURE COURSE: We move on to consider the Return of Israel from Exile (Ezra, Nehemiah & Malachi) in preparation for the next talk Tuesday 12th November: 7:30pm in The Priests' House.

DANGER OF ASSISTED SUICIDE BEING LEGALISED: The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has issued an [appeal to all Catholics](#) about the danger of legalising assisted suicide in light of proposed legislation being introduced in the House of Commons. Please visit the Right to Life website (www.righttolife.org.uk) for more information and to contact your MP in a few clicks.

EVERY VOICE MATTERS: The Justice and Peace Group of our parish would like to find out what you value about our community and what we could work together to improve. Please click: <https://forms.gle/kYdafGb6ZQME3DwD6>. This week some members of the Justice and Peace Group will be around after Masses to help people complete the questionnaire if you would prefer to do it this way.

HAND-CRAFTED BABY AND TODDLER KNITWEAR will be on sale in the Hall after 10 am Masses in November which make excellent Christmas gifts. All proceeds go to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: For all parishioners who have been DBS checked in order to carry out a voluntary role there will be three opportunities for annual safeguarding training on either Tuesday 19th November (online), Saturday 30th November (in person) or Wednesday 4th December (online). Please register for one of these sessions by clicking [here](#).