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**SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2023**

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	18th	10:00	Dedication of the Basilicas	Memorial	Jo Smith RIP
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>18:00</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	PRO POPULO
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>08:30</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Sameer Polus RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Nicolay Arias & Carmen Miranda RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>12:00</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Caimin Donlon RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>18:00</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Christopher Hayden-Delaney RIP
Monday	20th	10:00		Feria	Mr & Mrs F Fallon RIP
Tuesday	21st	10:00	The Presentation of the BVM	Memorial	Mr & Mrs T McGovern & Family RIP
Tuesday	21st	19:00	The Presentation of the BVM	Memorial	Prayer for Rwanda
Wednesday	22nd	10:00	St Cecilia	Memorial	Dave Courtney RIP
Thursday	23rd	10:00	St Clement I	Memorial	Peter Collard RIP
Friday	24th	10:00	St Andrew Dung-Lac	Memorial	Samuel Adedapo Fajemisin RIP
Friday	24th	19:00	St Andrew Dung-Lac	Memorial	World Peace
Saturday	25th	10:00	St Catherine of Alexandria	Memorial	Edith Kate Carpenter RIP

**TEA AND COFFEE:** THURS, 10:30 / SUNDAY, 11:15 | **CONFESSIONS:** SATURDAY EVENINGS: 5PM-5:40PM



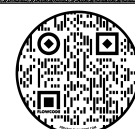
We pray for all victims of conflict around the globe at the current time. We remember those whose anniversaries occur including Peter Collard, Edward Donachy, Mary Allen, Blanca Quilumba-Calvache, Baby Nicolay Arias Alvarez, Patricia Bajada, Shirley D'Crus, James Mahon and Daisy Faulkner. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

I attended the Prize Giving at Bishop Thomas Grant school last Thursday at which we celebrated the achievements of the children and saw them play musical instruments, sing and learn not only of their academic achievements and progress but of their charity. One child had helped Ukrainian refugee children settle by striving to learn the Ukrainian language. Another had worked hard to coordinate fundraisers for CAFOD. At a time when we are used to so much darkness - not only in the weather but on our screens in the news - it was good to see individual examples of Christ-like behaviour for us to be inspired by. We all need inspiration and the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - which approaches this week - is one that can inspire us. There is no record of this event in the New Testament, however, we know it occurred. It must have been a truly remarkable event because the child who was brought into the Temple was the first - and only - human person to be immaculate (free from any stain of sin). I wonder how many people noticed her goodness. Perhaps some. Perhaps many. Perhaps no one! Yet we know that - during a time which had its own darkness, worries and concerns - there was goodness on earth. At Bishop Thomas Grant School we acknowledged the true source of the goodness we celebrated was our faith. Mary exemplified this. She never lost faith. She always believed and her own perfect charity found its source in her "yes" to God's will. Mary, help us to imitate your faith & love.

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## PARISH NEWS

**THANK YOU!** Our International Evening last Saturday was a big success and I am so grateful to everyone who planned, provided and participated in the event. Particular thanks to Katherine and Yemisi - our Parish Councillors responsible for the organisation. Thanks to all who brought dishes, drinks, danced and sang. Thanks also to our photographer and I look forward to sharing snaps on social media soon. It really has become an event not to be missed and memorable. Thank you all!

**OUR BIBLE COURSE:** began last Tuesday evening and it was a joy to begin our study of the story of salvation together. Thanks to all who helped arrange things. We listen to a lecture on the first three chapters of Genesis next time - on **Tuesday 28th November at 7:30**. It's excellent. [Join us!](#)

**SVP CHRISTMAS APPEAL:** There will be an appeal at all Masses this weekend by our St Vincent De Paul group in the parish. They will speak about their Christmas initiatives. You are able to donate towards their work after Mass with cash or contactless and you can [click here](#) to give as well.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be at 7pm on **Saturday 9th December** and great fun! Do Come!

**SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH:** The Seniors' Christmas Lunch will take place on **Monday 11th December at 12:15pm** in the Church Hall. There will be singing by the Corpus Christi Primary School Choir. Please sign the list in the Church porch or ring John (07722260434) to reserve your place. If you can lend a hand on the day please let John know and also bring a prize for the raffle.

**ADVENT TALK: OUR LOCAL FOODBANK:** On **Thursday 14th December at 7:30pm in our Hall** we will welcome representatives from the Food Bank that we have been supporting with donations. It will be an opportunity to learn of the nature of need within our local community. All are welcome! Please continue to drop off your contributions to the food bank in the porch when you come to Sunday Mass. Ready made custard, sauces and toiletries are needed in particular.

**WE SHALL BE HOSTING THE:** South-East Catholic Parishes Christmas Carol Concert on **Sunday 17th December at 7:30pm**. Bishop Philip Moger will preside as we sing in celebration with others. I'm grateful to our parish choirs who will sing and to Morgan - our organist - who will accompany.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS:** If you hold a DBS as a volunteer within the parish, I would be grateful if you could please [click here](#) to register for your annual training (a requirement of the Archdiocese). The session will be one hour & you can attend online or in-person.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS:** A reminder to all parents applying for a place for your child in a Catholic Primary School (September 2024 entry) that you need to complete your [Application For A Priest's Reference Form](#) online via our website. If you are applying for Corpus Christi Primary School, you will be posted the form you need to provide us with. If you are applying for other primary schools, you will need to provide us with the forms you want signed **by Friday 15th December**.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2024:** While praying for an end to the war, we hope - and (having consulted our tour operator) still plan - to go on pilgrimage from Thursday 24th to Thursday 31st October 2024 to The Holy Land. We will spend four nights in Jerusalem and three in Galilee. The total cost is £2135pp (based on two sharing - single supplement: £650). This includes all travel, accommodation, breakfast, lunch, dinner and tips. A deposit of £600 is due by 31st April 2024 and the remaining balance on 9th August 2024. I will lead us along with Fr Philip Andrews and a local tour guide. It will be an unforgettable and inspiring experience. Do join us if you can!