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SUNDAY 3RD JANUARY

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	2ND	11:00	SS Basil & Gregory	<i>Memorial</i>	Norah & Clive Locke
SATURDAY	2nd	18:00	Second Sunday of Christmas Solemnity		Rev Michael Cuffe
SUNDAY	3RD	08:30	Second Sunday of Christmas Solemnity		Francis Bekeny RIP
		10:00	Second Sunday of Christmas Solemnity		Pro Populo
		12:00	Second Sunday of Christmas Solemnity		Woldu family & people of Tigray
MONDAY	4th		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	5th	11:00	Feria		In honour of St Blaise
WEDNESDAY	6th	11:00	The Epiphany	Solemnity	In honour of the Sacred Heart
		19:00	The Epiphany	Solemnity	
THURSDAY	7th	09:30	Feria		In honour of Our Lady of Sorrows
FRIDAY	8th	09:30	Feria		In honour of St Anthony of Padua
SATURDAY	9th	09:30	Feria		



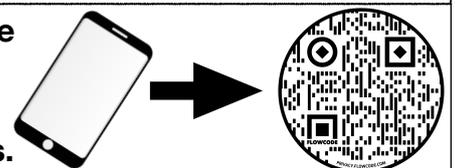
We pray for Alfred Owusu, Seamus Craig and Mary Walsh who died recently and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. As our new trading relationship with the European Union begins post-Brexit we pray for all of those individuals and businesses adapting to changed circumstances. We pray that any disruption will be minimal and that - as we enter a new political arrangement - the ties of friendship and mutual cooperation will endure and we will continue to work with our European neighbours as partners pursuing true peace for all.

“The culture of care calls for a common, supportive and inclusive commitment to protecting and promoting the dignity and good of all, a willingness to show care and compassion, to work for reconciliation and healing, and to advance mutual respect and acceptance. As such, it represents a privileged path to peace. In many parts of the world, there is a need for paths of peace to heal open wounds. There is also a need for peacemakers, men and women prepared to work boldly and creatively to initiate processes of healing and renewed encounter. At a time like this, when the barque of humanity, tossed by the storm of the current crisis, struggles to advance towards a calmer and more serene horizon, the “rudder” of human dignity and the “compass” of fundamental social principles can enable us together to steer a sure course. As Christians, we should always look to Our Lady, Star of the Sea and Mother of Hope. May we work together to advance towards a new horizon of love and peace, of fraternity and solidarity, of mutual support and acceptance. May we never yield to the temptation to disregard others, especially those in greatest need, and to look the other way; instead, may we strive daily, in concrete and practical ways, to form a community composed of brothers and sisters who accept and care for one another.” *Pope Francis, World Day For Peace - 1st January 2021.*

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PARISH NEWS

THANK YOU! I have been very touched by your kindness and generosity over the festive period. Whether it has been cards, gifts or expressions of gratitude I am very grateful to you for taking the time to be in touch. I am also grateful to all of you for your donations towards the Christmas Offering which is the main source of income for a priest each year: for whatever you were able to give, thank you! I want to thank everyone who has contributed towards making our Church look so beautiful and our liturgies brim with reverence, solemnity and song. It was a truly dignified celebration of the great feast of Our Lord's birth which we continue to celebrate and enjoy!

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY is this coming Wednesday and there will be two Masses (at 11am and 7:30pm) in the parish as we remember the visit of the Kings and the revelation of God to the whole world. Do join us for our celebration (there is no need to book in advance)! The evening Mass of the Epiphany will be live-streamed so all those who are at home can join in our celebration.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS: Our Weekday Mass will return to the normal time of 9:30am from this Thursday (the morning after the Epiphany) preceded by our Holy Hour at 8:30am. Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 5-6pm (socially distanced in the Hall) from Saturday 2nd January.

SAFETY AND STEWARDS: I am very grateful to our Parish Council Chair and members for working with me to ensure the highest standards of safety for all attending our Masses over Christmas. We continue to keep this under review. I am also grateful to our Stewards who keep us safe and socially distanced while in Church. At the moment we are a bit low on volunteer Stewards for:

- **8:30am Sunday Mass**
- **4-6pm Saturday private prayer**

If you are able to help please do fill in the form via [THIS LINK](#) so these services can continue. We are very much aware of the changing public health scenario with regard to COVID-19 and we continue to follow Government and Church guidance with regard to hygiene and social distancing. All parishioners are reminded that if you are in an at-risk group you are encouraged to stay at home. The Sunday obligation is currently suspended meaning you are not obliged to come to Mass. If you require help in watching our Masses online please let us know by calling 020 8150 1150.

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS: Thank you for submitting your applications for primary school through the Priests' House letterbox. These will be signed and - for applicants to Corpus Christi Primary School only - delivered directly to the school by Fr Matthew. Parents will be able to collect their signed applications for all other schools on Friday 8th January only between 8am and 7pm from The Priests' House.

WE ARE SEEKING TO EMPLOY A PARISH SECRETARY: The role will be part-time and within school term-time only. A link to the full job description can be accessed online via the website Charity Job from [THIS LINK](#) and the advert for the position (also on our website) is as follows:

“Corpus Christi Catholic Church on Brixton Hill, London are seeking to appoint a Parish Secretary to run the busy Parish Office. Working closely with the Parish Priest, the Parish Secretary will be an experienced administrator and a confident communicator, able to multi-task and prioritise their workload using their own initiative. This role offers interesting and varied challenges and the chance to make a positive impact in this busy city parish.

To apply please send your CV and a covering letter explaining how your skills and experience match the requirements of the job description to CCbrixtonhill@gmail.com by 5pm on **15th January 2021**. Interviews will be on Zoom week commencing **25th January 2021**.”