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SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	27TH	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	Memorial	Thanksgiving for Jesus
SATURDAY	27TH	18:00	First Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Christiane Seilern RIP
SUNDAY	28TH	08:30	First Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
	28TH	10:00	First Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Jan Bryndza RIP
	28TH	12:00	First Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Moses Anafu RIP
	28TH	18:00	First Sunday of Advent	Solemnity	Deceased Legionaires
MONDAY	29TH	10:00	First Week of Advent	Feria	Anthony Fallugia
TUESDAY	30TH	10:00	Saint Andrew	Feast	Manuel dos Santos RIP
WEDNESDAY	1ST	10:00	First Week of Advent	Feria	Anthony Fallugia
THURSDAY	2ND	10:00	First Week of Advent	Feria	Sr. Marie Chambers RIP
FRIDAY	3RD	10:00	St. Francis Xavier	Memorial	Francis Bekeney RIP
SATURDAY	4TH	10:00	St John Damascene	Memorial	The Chamberlen Family RIP

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

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS



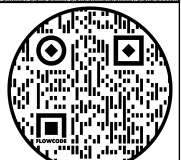
We pray for all who have died recently including Miriam White. We remember especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Alder Ravera, Bridget Page, Mary Clifford, Kathleen Moore, Michael Haughton-James, Joseph Rider, John Barrett, William O'Brien, Patricia Ivory and Teresa Mary Ayder. As we begin the season of preparation for Christmas we remember those who do not look forward to Christmas because of loneliness. We pray that we might be friends to those who are without any during this time.

As we begin a new year in the life of the Church we will notice this most specifically as we hear a different Gospel account. We are now entering the year of St Luke and - every Sunday - we will hear sections from his Gospel. It's not an ideal turn of phrase to say "his Gospel" as every Gospel is truly "*His Gospel*" ... "*The Gospel of the Lord*" as Fr Mebrate and I proclaim having concluded our reading of it in the liturgy; the response is "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ" and this should be the response of each of us to what we hear every Sunday: we are called to live our lives in praise of the Lord Jesus by our communion with Him and our sharing this communion with others in charity. Advent is the time in which we are called to prepare for this communion which is made possible by His birth among us as one of us. St Luke is a great intercessor for this time of year and this season of the Church since - as he was a doctor - he must have known the importance of preparation: he would have prepared carefully for medical interventions and this preparedness is visible in his Gospel account. St Luke introduces us - with great detail - to figures who prepared the way for Jesus: Zechariah, Elizabeth and John the Baptist. All of these characters can pray for us from heaven that we may use this season wisely and be changed so that our hearts may be worthy dwelling places for Jesus at Christmas.

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PARISH NEWS

THIS COMING WEEK: SYNOD 2023: For those who were not able to come to our recent parish meeting there will be another face-to-face meeting in the Hall on **Thursday 2nd December** from **6pm-7:30pm**. There is also the opportunity to contribute to a virtual meeting - via Zoom - which will take place on **Tuesday 30th November** from **6pm-7:30pm**. Click [HERE](#) to join! If you are curious about what the Synod is - and how you can get involved - please follow [THIS LINK](#). It is an opportunity for you to discern how the Holy Spirit is calling us to evangelise more effectively.

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING takes place **next Saturday** (4th December, 4-5pm) in the Church. All who have made their First Holy Communion can register to be trained. Parents please [CLICK HERE](#).

CHAIRS FOR OUR HALL: The chairs in our Hall are tired, unattractive and bulky and it would be good to replace them with foldable chairs on trolleys we can put in our cupboard. This will give more space and make it easier to clean our floor. Corpus Christi School kindly raised £500 last summer from their non-uniform day for the chairs. Unfortunately, this donation will not cover the total cost (c. £2000). If there is anyone who would be willing to help subsidise the extra cost please speak to me.

ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON TO VISIT CORPUS CHRISTI IN FEBRUARY 2022: I happily inform you that Archbishop John Wilson - our Archbishop of Southwark - will come to visit our parish on **Sunday 6th February 2022** and celebrate the **10am Mass**.

CHRISTMAS 2021: The Mass schedule for Christmas will be as follows:

Friday 24th December:	Christmas Eve:	6pm (Family Mass), 12am (Midnight Mass)
Saturday 25th December	Christmas Day:	8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, <u>No 6pm Mass!</u>
Sunday 26th December	Boxing Day:	8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, <u>No 6pm Mass!</u>

SAVE THE DATE: PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY: Our annual Parish Christmas Party will - thank God - take place this year on **Saturday 11th December after the 6pm Mass** in the Hall. It will be a good opportunity to gather before our Christmas celebrations.

SAVE THE DATE: ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE: On **Thursday 16th December at 7pm** we will gather in Church for our Advent Reconciliation Service. Fr Mebrate, two visiting priests and I will provide the opportunity for all of you to come to individual confession. Enjoy the great gift of God's forgiveness and peace to prepare - in the best way possible - for his being born!

REMAINING GIFT-AID ENVELOPES: can be collected after all Masses during the month of November! They will be distributed in the Hall or Repository by either Olga Slater or Joseph Baako.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIEST'S REFERENCE FORMS: **All parents applying to Catholic Primary Schools** for their children must fill in [this form](#) from our website. **UPDATE:** Please submit the forms you want signed in one envelope through the letterbox of The Priests' House. All forms must be received **by Friday 10th December**. Signed forms will be returned in the following way:

Corpus Christi Primary School:	delivered directly to the school office by Fr Matthew.
All other schools:	from The Priests' House on Monday 10th Jan 2022 .