

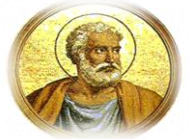
# St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church



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## PARISH TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr Michael Branch  
**Assistant Priests:** Fr Tomasz Wargacki  
 Fr Anthony Uche OP  
 Fr Graziano de Palma – Supplying at  
 St Lawrence Church, Sidcup  
**Retired Priest:** Fr James Hay  
**Deacon:** Rev Piotr Ziezio

## PARISH SCHOOL

St Peter's Catholic Primary School  
 Crescent Road, Woolwich, London SE18 7BN  
 Tel: 020 8265 0028  
 Email: [sao1@stpeters.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:sao1@stpeters.greenwich.sch.uk)  
 Headteacher: Mrs Mary O'Regan



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**SUNDAY** 5:00pm – 5:45pm  
**MONDAY – FRIDAY** 10:15am – 12:15pm  
**SATURDAY** 11:00am – 12:15pm



## SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

**SATURDAY** 11:00am – 12noon  
 5:15pm – 5:45pm  
**SUNDAY** 5:15pm – 5:45pm

## THE MONTH OF DECEMBER IS DEDICATED TO ADVENT AND THE COMING OF CHRIST

*Week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018*

<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00pm	Mass - For the Donor	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE</b></p> <p>This week we celebrate the last Sunday of the Calendar Year 2018. We thank the Lord for all his Blessings and protection this year. It has been a year of mixed fortunes for many people. There have been issues of financial difficulties as a result of job losses, the loss of loved ones, strained and broken relationships and families, and many others. The Lord has been on our side and kept us going. We look with hope to the coming year trusting in God's providence.</p> <p>This week we celebrate two important Feasts. The Feast of the Holy Family which falls today and the New Year's Day when we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.</p> <p>The Feast of the Holy family is not just about the Holy Family of Mary, Joseph and Jesus, but about our families too. The main purpose of the celebration is to present the Holy Family as the model for all Christian families and for domestic life in general. Our family life becomes sanctified when we live the life of the Church within our homes. This is called the Domestic church or the Small Christian Community</p> <p>We are called to make Christ centre of family and individual life by living our faith where we live and stay. The Holy Family Feast is a good time to remember the family unit and pray for our human and spiritual families. We take this time to reflect on the value and sanctity of the family, and to evaluate our own family life. What ways may it be improved? What would Jesus, Mary and Joseph do?</p> <p>As we begin this New Year, we would like to wish everyone a very Prosperous and Grace filled Year. From St Peter's our home, may God accompany you always, each day of your life.</p>
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 6:00pm	<b>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (C)</b> Mass – Intentions of Bridget McDonagh Mass – People of the Parish Mass – Philet Nathaneal Possi RIP Mass – Pope Francis and all Religious in the World	
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup></b> 9:30am <b>12:30pm</b> <b>10:00pm-11:45pm</b> <b>12:00am</b>	<b>Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</b> Mass – Thanksgiving for Cosmas Onyinye, David Mberekpe and Family <b>Mass – Deceased (2018) Parishioners, Family and Friends</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>Midnight Mass - People of the Parish</b>	
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>10.00am</b>	<b>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> Mass – Mr and Mrs Duffy, George and Kathleen RIP	
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Sts Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church, Memorial</b> Mass – Thanksgiving for Fr Tomasz Mass – Welfare of Patricia Calaghan Mass – Intentions of the Celebrant	
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</b> Mass – Welfare of Val and John Branch Mass – Welfare of Frances McKiernan	
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30 pm	<b>Feria of Christmas Time, Preface of the Nativity First Friday</b> Mass – Rodolfo RIP Mass – For the Sick followed by the Anointing of the Sick	
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>12:00 noon</b> 12:30pm 6:00pm	<b>Feria of Christmas Time, Preface of the Nativity</b> <b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Mass –Thanksgiving for Gary Gentleman and Family Mass – Welfare of Nick Postolache	
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 6:00pm	<b>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (C)</b> Mass – George Appadoo RIP Mass – Dolce and Rhys DaDa RIP Mass – People of the Parish Mass – Intentions of Monah Winifred	

## Crib Offering – St Peter's Primary School Fund

This year the Crib Offerings will be for St Peter's Primary school. This fund will contribute greatly to numerous essential curriculum resources and events, especially in light of the reduced school budget.

**Fr Michael, Fr Graziano,  
Fr Anthony OP, Fr Tomasz and  
Fr Jim**

**Sick and housebound**



Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family. We pray especially for the following: Lily Beavis, Annie D'Sa, Emmanuel Meshe, Margaret Jeffrey, Joe D'Souza, Francis Ayodele, Barry Newton, Catherine Garraway, Patrick Duffy, Adriene Kelleher, John Branch, Sheila Edwards, Sheila Lee, Nina Donovan, Joe and Theresa Devoy, Frater Jeneita, Marie-Anne Collins, Kate Dooley, Joseph Tommy Le, Jo O'Connell, Maureen Brazier, David Orell, Francis Matajo, Tomisin Iddrisu, Tomosina Gloria Watkins, Eli Ladislaus Otto Cox, Jayne Shoboiki, Helen Dickens, Noone Dunlevy, Margaret Dickens, Miroslav Krejcar, Sandy Bamotra, Jacqueline Demar Richards, Michael Corcoran, Antoine Libanje, Georgina Ferrier, Joyce James, Evelyn Martin, Cesil Ryan, Cecilia Egbujn, Hugh Rozario, Mary Healey, Eileen Whyte, Collen Surin, Caitlin Connors, Lizzy Connors, Christopher Browne, Mary Angela McInerney, Theodora St Bernard, Dudley Simmonds, Ray Bat, Myriam Achille, Genny Cleary, Sadie Byrne, Tita Healey, Ann Norton, Jo Earll, Frances McKiernan, Peggy Hanley, Sister Annunciata, Sick Priests of the Diocese and please continue to keep Bishop Pat Lynch in your prayers.

**OBITUARY**

It is with great sadness we announce one of our parishioners **Christina McGonigle** who died on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Her Requiem Mass will take place here on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10:15am followed by committal at 11:45am at Falconwood Crematorium.

We also pray for the soul of **Shirley Murphy** who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place here on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 12:30pm followed by committal at 2:00pm at Kings Highway Cemetery. We offer our prayers and spiritual support to her family and friends.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**We pray for the following who have departed from this life:**

Mary Feeney, Mary Ellen White, William Stanley Meeks, Bridget Mullane, Rosemary Hunt, Eileen Shine, Bridget Brown, John Presley, Delia Budd, Margaret Kemp, Des Divine, Rosalind Abdul, Catherine Williams, Sheila Bateman, Reynaldo Correa, William Curry, Richard Masterson, Stephen Patterson, Ann Warner, Honora Jacobs, Alfred Hughes, Ellen Francis, Mary Ralph, Margaret Mulvihill, Mark Turner, Robert Turner, Elizabeth Freeder, William McGeoghan, Jacqui Daly, Yacob Hagos, Mary Osioh, Carol Ifeoma Udogaranya, Pamela Warrington and Rogue Mascarchas

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE!**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Parents wishing to have their baby baptised in **FEBRUARY 2019**

should attend the following

Baptism Catechesis Programmes

**Session 1 on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Session 2 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019**



These programmes will start at 7pm and finish at 9pm and will be held in Pugin Place. You are reminded that you need to meet with one of the parish clergy before attending these Sessions. You will find them available on Thursday evenings during Parish Surgery.

**Holy Baptism will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 after the 11:45am Mass.**

Learning from past experience, we request **ALL PARENTS**, who wish to get their child baptised in the future, to bring their own baptism certificates along with their request form as proof that they are Catholics when they attend Parish Surgery. **GODPARENTS** will need to get a letter from their parish priest to say they are practicing Catholics.

**THERE IS NO PARISH SURGERY ON THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2019.**

**PARISH SURGERY WILL RESUME ON THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019.**



**The Churches Together in Woolwich and Plumstead will be celebrating a Unity Service at East Plumstead Baptist Church, Griffin Road, Plumstead, London SE18 7QA on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at 7:30pm.**

Please make an effort to attend by supporting them in this yearly event.

**Mass for Deceased (2018) Parishioners, Family and Friends**

Please note the 12:30pm **Mass tomorrow Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December** will be offered for the **Deceased of 2018**. Names of those who have died in the parish during this year, will be called out. Many families have also faced bereavement when **close members** of their family have died either in this country or abroad. If you would let us have their names, we will be happy to offer you the chance to have them remembered on the last day of the year 2018. Please hand in your list to the parish office.

**PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019**

First Holy Communion Programme commences on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10.30am in Pugin Place.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**First Confessions (Parish) – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019 at 6:00pm**

**First Holy Communion (Parish) – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 at 1:00pm**

**First Confessions (School) – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 at 6:00pm**

**First Holy Communion (School) – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 2:00pm**

**CONFIRMATION 2019**

Confirmation programme will commence on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from 10.00am to 12.00pm in Pugin Place.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Bishop Pat Lynch will be coming to St Peter's to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 12:30pm**

**The parish clergy thank you for your generous Christmas offerings and also for the many cards and gifts received.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CARE AND SUPPORT**

Last Week's Collection was £1,415.74  
Gift Aid of £604.28

giving us a parish total of £2,020.02

**MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HOME**

**YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY**  
Every Monday  
7:00pm - 8:30pm  
In Pugin Place

**Resumes on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Bible Study Group**

**Resumes on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Prayer Group – Association of The Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary - Every Thursday at 6:30pm**

**Resumes on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019**

**FRIENDS IN THE HOLY SPIRIT (CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PRAYER GROUP) EVERY FRIDAY AT 6:30pm**

**Resumes on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**LEGION OF MARY**

**EVERY FRIDAY AT 6:30pm**

**Resumes on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**RCIA FOR ADULTS**

**Every Saturday 3:00pm–4:00pm in Pugin Place**