



# St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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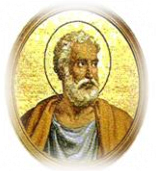
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## PARISH TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr Michael Branch  
**Assistant Priests:** Fr Matthew Ndibe  
 Fr Joseph Ekene Nnalue  
**Also Resident:** Fr Ethelbert Ukpabi  
**Deacons:** Rev Piotr Ziezio and Rev Errol Jadoc

## 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)  
 Head Teacher: Miss M Du Bruyn

### Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the Synod Process

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
 as we gather together in Your name.  
 With You alone to guide us,  
 make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
 Teach us the way we must go  
 and how we are to pursue it.  
 We are weak and sinful;  
 do not let us promote disorder.  
 Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
 nor partiality influence our actions.  
 Let us find in You our unity  
 so that we may journey together to eternal life  
 and not stray from the way of truth  
 and what is right.  
 All this we ask of You,  
 who are at work in every place and time,  
 in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
 forever and ever. Amen.*

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C) WEEK COMMENCING 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021

ALL MASSES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE  
[www.stpeterswoolwich.church](http://www.stpeterswoolwich.church)

### 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



### ROSARY

**Saturday** 11:30am  
**Sunday** 8:00am  
**Mon-Friday** 9:00am



<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00pm	Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Yolande Charles-Alfred
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm 6:00pm	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C) Gaudete Sunday</b> <small>The Third Week of Advent</small> Holy Mass – Grazina Mazoniene Deceased Family Holy Mass – Rosa Gasson RIP Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Anita Ebuehi Holy Mass – Leo King
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, Memorial</b> Holy Mass – Adolphus Ofoegbu RIP Holy Mass – Welfare Barry Nelson
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Memorial</b> Holy Mass – Jimmy Ginnane RIP Holy Mass – Pedro Aquende RIP
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00am 12:30pm	<b>Feria</b> <b>Requiem Mass - Kathleen Frances Gillespie RIP</b> Holy Mass – Fr Keith Collins RIP
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>Feria</b> Holy Mass – Brandon Da Silva in Thanksgiving Holy Mass - Patrick Cosgrave RIP
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30am 12:30pm	<b>Feria</b> Holy Mass – Deceased Members of the Clancy Family (Foundation) Holy Mass – Anna Krejcarova RIP
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup></b> 12 noon 12:30pm 6:00pm	<b>Feria</b> <b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Holy Mass – Esther Azana RIP Holy Mass – James Willam Sesay RIP
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm 6:00pm	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)</b> <small>The Fourth Week of Advent</small> Holy Mass – Phero RIP Holy Mass – Jadwiga Olechno RIP Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Karen Gargallo Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Oby and Goz Omezi



### WE MISS YOU, COME HOME!!

No one LOVES you like Jesus  
 No one offers HOPE like Jesus  
 No one MISSES you like Jesus

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 The Church, our home is our hope of meeting Jesus for our continual ultimate relationship with God and our neighbours.

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 “We miss you” cards are placed at the back of the Church. Please pick one for your family.

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 If you have any concerns or need to be contacted, please complete the “We miss you” card and post the card in the box provided as you leave the church.

### CHRISTMAS TREE CARDS

As you enter the Church you will find Christmas Tree Cards for you to write out the names of your loved ones who have died recently. Please place your written cards in the basket provided at the front of the Altar.

### Gaudete Sunday

The Introit for Gaudete Sunday is taken from Philippians 4:4,5: "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). In the spirit of the Gaudete Sunday, may we continue to pray as a family in thanksgiving to God for keeping us alive and hopeful to celebrate the Christmas and New Year.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CONNECT TO THE NEW WEBCAM

On the website, below the original camera live stream, as viewed in the past, there is a new link provided (as shown below).

<https://st-peters-live-stream-service.click2stream.com/>

Click on this link and you will be connected to the new camera.



**PARISH SURGERY**  
**THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**DECEMBER 2021**  
**5:00pm – 6:00pm**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

To baptise your child please see the priest or phone the Parish Office to arrange a date and time of baptism.

We request **ALL PARENTS**, who wish to get their child baptised, to bring their own baptism certificates as proof that they are Catholics, a copy of their child's birth certificate and proof of address along with the yellow Baptism Form. **GODPARENTS** will need to get a letter from their parish priest to say they are practicing Catholics.



Little Church will take place every Sunday at the 10:00am Mass ONLY in Pugin Place.



**Catholic Gift Shop**



Please pop into our shop as we have many new items available for the Christmas Season.

Becoming a Catholic through



The RCIA programme will take place every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month in Pugin Place from 3:00pm – 4:00pm.



**ST PETER'S FAMILY BIBLE STUDY**  
**(Every Tuesday 7:00pm – 8:00pm)**

Please join us in our Bible Study coordinated by the Priests of the Parish by clicking on the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83661570378?pwd=cTUxQ3FxF0FM1SHd6VWhZVytQcE5LQT09> or enter the Zoom Meeting ID: 836 6157 0378 Passcode: 084246



The Youth of St Peter's Church aged 11 – 17 years of old are welcome to join the Youth Ministry sessions every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.



**Friends in the Holy Spirit (FitHS) CCR prayer group** encourage you to join our fellowship by Zoom on Fridays at 7pm (camera off) using link below. Let's support our parish community by thanking and praising our loving and merciful God together.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87330332416> Meeting ID: 873 3033 2416. WE MEET IN PERSON IN CHURCH ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

**MISSIO RED BOXES**

A few of weeks ago Fr Paul Mooney from Mill Hill Missionary Society visited our parish and many of you showed an interest in taking a box home, but unfortunately, he came with a limited stock. We have now received a fresh supply of these Red Boxes which will be left at the back of the church to collect, if you wish. Please make sure to write your contact details on the sheet provided before taking your box.



**CHRISTMAS ENVELOPES**

The Christmas Envelopes are used for the collection at Masses for Christmas Day, which is the traditional 'Thank You' collection by parishioners to the priests of their parish for their work and service. Priests here receive no salary whatsoever for their work and depend on the generosity of parishioners for their personal income. The money in the Christmas Envelopes and the collection on Christmas Day will be shared equally by the clergy. Please note that those of you in the parish **GIFT AID SCHEME** should use your Gift Aid envelopes for the Christmas Collection and hand this in. The priests will get your offering and the Parish will benefit from the tax refund on your offering.



**Mass for Deceased (2021) Parishioners, Family and Friends**

Please note the 12:30pm Mass on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> December will be offered for the Deceased of 2021. Names of those who have died in the parish during this year, will be called out. In view of the current crisis of COVID-19 and other illness many families have been faced with bereavement when close members of their family and friends 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 2021. Please email or hand in your list to the parish office as soon as possible.

**Synod 2021-2023**

Remember that the Holy Father is inviting the whole Church, and every person at St Peter's to **prayerfully discern together and offer recommendations on how best our Church can grow in Communion, Participation and Mission**. For more information visit <https://rcaos.org.uk/synod>. The parish Synod team encourage you to **keep participating by leaving your suggestions in the Synod box until the first week of January 2022**. Every voice matters in this synodal process. We look forward to receiving as many suggestions as you have so that we can pass them on to our Southwark Archdiocese. Copies of the participant sheet from the listening sessions can be found next to the Synod box to be used as guidance.



**May we be encouraged to continue in our good spirit of Christian charity, to support the works of evangelisation through our Parish Ministries as we continue to make our donations as follows:**

**OPTION 1**

**OPTION 2**

**Online donations**

**BANK DETAILS:**

NatWest Bank: RCAS St Peter the Apostle Woolwich  
 Sort Code: 60 24 26 Account Number: 16163400

Please use your name as a reference (gift aiders can add their envelope number).

Contactless Giving – these machines are situated in the church lobby.

**Thank you. Any donation you can make will be greatly appreciated during this time and always.**

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family. We pray especially for the following: Annie D'Sa, Emmanuel Meshe, Margaret Jeffrey, Francis Ayodele, Barry Newton, Catherine Garraway, Adriene Kelleher, John Branch, Sheila Edwards, Sheila Lee, Joe and Theresa Devoy, Frater Jeneita, Marie-Anne Collins, Kate Dooley, Jo O'Connell, Maureen Brazier, Francis Matajo, Tomisin Iddrisu, Tomosina Gloria Watkins, Jayne Shoboiki, Noone Dunlevy, Sandy Bamotra, Jacqueline Demar Richards, Antoine Libanje, Evelyn Martin, Cesil Ryan, Cecilia Egbujn, Hugh Rozario, Caitlin Connors, Lizzy Connors, Christopher Browne, Mary Angela McInerney, Theodora St Bernard, Dudley Simmonds, Ray Bat, Sadie Byrne, Tumboma Nampuya Kamesa, Jo Earll, Ray Renolds, Christopher Browne, Thi Van Dang, Kathiravelu Nagarajah, Alex Morris, Marie Dick, Kathy Stayne, Charity Nwalozie, Sick Priests of the Diocese and please continue to keep Bishop Pat Lynch in your prayers.



**OBITUARY**

We pray for the following souls who died recently:

Sean King RIP – his Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 11:30am.  
 Julio Bacariza RIP – his Requiem Mass will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 10:00am

We offer our prayers and sympathies to their families and friends.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

We commend to God's mercy the following whose anniversaries occur around this time. – Patrick Twohig, Tom Keane, Frank Ostutu, Johannah Parker, Catherine Gladys Datson, John Sullivan, Ann Simpson, Julia Bryant, Ann Jones, Robert Kinsley, Michael Gallagher, Lilley Fisher, Stanley Abrahart, Augustine Feeney, Ethel O'Brien, Ivey Sankey, Elizabeth Adams, Lillian Bulman, Eva Loveday, Paddy Powell, Bridget Daniels, Clifford Fitzpatrick, Charlie Collins, Andrew Murphy, Pattista D'Souza, George Robertson, Katherine Dawson, Frank Maguire, Anne Fitzgerald, Joseph Simpson, David Cooper, Sylvia Ann Holczimmer, Hugh Duddy, Anna Krejcarova, Michael Keady, Deborah Loraine, Paul Gerrard Galea, Lena Rozario-Martin and Ellen Wilson.

**MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE!**

