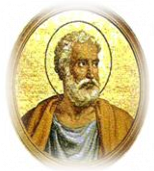




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THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (B)
WEEK COMMENCING 7th January 2024

ALL MASSES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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



ROSARY

Sunday 8:00am
Monday-Friday 9:00am
 and 11:30am
Saturday 11:30am



Saturday 6th 6:00pm	Holy Mass – Panfilo Nsi RIP	<p align="center">FAITH IN FOCUS : GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH</p> <p>Scripture doesn't say how many wise men there were, but traditionally we speak of three, since there were three gifts given to Jesus. These gifts of the wise men are known to every child who has taken part in a school nativity play: gold, frankincense and myrrh. As we celebrate the Epiphany, we can either just look back on the past events, or we can make it real for ourselves. If we do the latter, which is what true worship demands, then we have to present our gifts before God. Each of us has gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh that we can offer in the service of God and others: GOLD is one of the most valuable metals we can buy. If we give someone an article made from gold we are saying that we consider them very special, and precious to us. Engagement rings, wedding rings, retirement watches all pay tribute to this. What are the precious things in our life that God has given to us? Husband or wife, children and grand-children, health, friends, family? Whatever this gold may be, Epiphany is the feast for acknowledging it before the Christ child, and for thanking God for such a blessing in our lives. Our gifts of gold remind us that life is precious. FRANKINCENSE produces a fragrance that sweetens and freshens the atmosphere. It falls somewhere between a modern day air freshener and a very strong perfume. What talents and skills do I have which can make life more pleasant for those around me? Maybe things as diverse as being able to sing, to bake a cake, to arrange flowers, to sew, knit or embroider, to paint, to play a musical instrument, to cook or to tell a good story. Whatever our gifts are in this direction, Epiphany gives us the chance to thank God for them and an opportunity to promise to use them more in the coming year. Our gift of frankincense can make life sweeter for others. MYRRH is an ointment used to soothe, to heal and to act as a salve. Its modern day equivalent is some sort of medicine, a jelly or cream. What are the situations in our lives which are in need of healing? Are we called to patch up a long-standing argument with a member of our family? Are we being asked to visit someone on our street who needs a listening ear? Do we know of people just recently bereaved? Can we mediate in a dispute, pour oil on troubled waters or visit someone who is in prison, hospital or sick at home? We all have the gift of myrrh; only some of us use it. Epiphany is about bearing gifts before the infant Jesus. We too have our own gold, frankincense and myrrh. To celebrate this feast is to promise to bring our gifts</p>
Sunday 7th 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm – 3:30pm 6:00pm	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (B) Holy Mass – John Joseph Murphy RIP Holy Mass – Marcellina Ibiyemi Kajero Blessed RIP Holy Mass – People of the Parish DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS) Holy Mass – Maria Jose Vieira da Silva Rodrigues RIP	
Monday 8th 9:30am 12:30pm	The Baptism of the Lord Holy Mass – Anne Donaldson RIP (Foundation) Holy Mass – Hughie Cedric Rozario RIP	
Tuesday 9th 9:30am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Thanksgiving to God for healing & deliverance from drugs Holy Mass – Robert Turner RIP (Foundation)	
Wednesday 10th 9:30am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Safety and Wellbeing of children and grandchildren Holy Mass – Rose Kavanagh RIP	
Thursday 11th 9:30am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Protection for Janet Lee Holy Mass – Denise Kerr RIP NO PARISH SURGERY – PHONE THE OFFICE FOR AN APPOINTMENT	
Friday 12th 9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm – 8:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Roger Smith RIP Holy Mass – Brian Keogh RIP Friends in the Holy Spirit Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group	
Saturday 13th 10:00am-11:30am 12:00 noon 12:30pm 12:00pm–2:00pm 3:00pm – 4:30pm 6:00pm	The Blessed Virgin Mary First Holy Communion Programme in Pugin Place Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Pelita Fernandes Confirmation Programme in Pugin Place RCIA Programme in Pugin Place Holy Mass – Loreto Marziale RIP	
Sunday 14th 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm – 3:30pm 6:00pm	SECOND SUNDAY (B) Holy Mass – Celia Mon Rico RIP Holy Mass – Carmen Storex, Glenn Storex and Christine Storex RIP Holy Mass – People of the Parish DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS (NO MASS) Holy Mass – Darren Brian Weatherall RIP	

MASS OFFERINGS

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is very special and sacred; it may be offered for either thanksgiving, welfare or the repose of a soul. It is always important to remember that these special intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, in and through Christ's perfect sacrifice made present to us in the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. We, as a community pray for the deceased, for those who are ill, for those who face various difficulties or challenges. We also offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God for the experience of God's loving grace helping us through a particular challenging event or circumstance of life. We are happy to inform you that we no longer have a backlog of Masses and hopefully can accommodate those who wish to request for Mass providing it is not already booked. If you would like to offer a Mass for your family and friends, KINDLY FILL OUT an envelope available at the lobby of the church and hand it to the staff in the shop or put it in the collection. **THANK YOU**



CRIB OFFERINGS

This year, the parish will be sending the Crib Offerings to Friends of the Holy Land. Thank you for your support.

LITTLE CHURCH

There will be no Little Church this Sunday 7th January 2024 during the 10:00am and 11:45am Masses. Little Church will resume on Sunday 14th January 2024.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents wishing to have their children baptised in FEBRUARY 2024 should attend the Pre-Baptism Programme on Tuesday 30th January 2024. This programme will start at 7pm and end at 9pm and will be held in Pugin Place.

Please note: Parents should submit the Baptism Form and other relevant paperwork to the Parish Office before attending the programme.

Those attending the above Session will have their children baptised on the following dates: Sunday 11th February 2024 and Sunday 25th February 2024 after the 11:45am Mass.

ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE TEAM

As part of the preparation for the 2025 Jubilee year, the Southwark Marriage and Family Team will be running a **Building a Better Marriage Course** throughout the Archdiocese from February 2024. The one day course is for married couples (whether married for one year, 60 years or anywhere in between). It seeks to help husbands and wives to make their marriage better and to improve their communication skills. There is no group sharing and private information remains private to each couple. Couples who have attended previously have found it enjoyable, informative, and uplifting. For more information contact the Marriage and Family Life team through the Archdiocese of Southwark: website. <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/marriage-and-family-life>

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, 28 JANUARY 2024

The Racial and Cultural Inclusion Commission, coordinated by Canon Victor Darlington, would like to invite you to this event which will take place on Sunday 28th January 2024. Archbishop John Wilson will be celebrating the event at St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7HY at the 10am Mass.

Those who are attending kindly dress in your traditional attire and costumes and possibly bring a flag of their country of origin. This will add vigour and colour to the occasion. Mass will begin at 10.00am and everyone is gently requested to be seated at least 15 minutes before. Please let the parish office know if you are attending this event.



ST PETER'S FAMILY BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume on Monday 15th January 2024.



Catholic Gift Shop

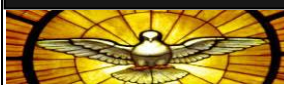


Please pay a visit to our shop as we have many new items available and also wonderful gifts for the festive season of Christmas.



The Youth of St Peter's Church aged 11 – 17 years are welcome to join the Youth Ministry. The Youth Ministry is looking for new Youth Leaders to join. If you are interested, please contact Cyril on 07843 814274 (Youth Ministry Coordinator)

Friends in the Holy Spirit




Friends in the Holy Spirit (FitHS) Catholic Charismatic Renewal prayer group invite you to join our fellowship on Fridays at 7pm-8:30pm to support our parish community needs by prayer, thanksgiving and praise to our loving and merciful God.

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

OPTION 3

<p>Online donations</p> <p>BANK DETAILS: NatWest Bank: RCAS Woolwich Sort Code: 60 24 26 Account Number: 16163400 Please use your name as a reference (gift aiders please add their envelope number).</p>	<p>Contactless Giving – these machines are situated in the church lobby.</p>		<p>You can also donate by scanning the QR code.</p>
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Thank you for last week's Offertory Collection of £1,704.31

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

PUGIN PLACE – HALL BOOKING

Please contact our caretaker Alex Sarte on 07342626054 if you wish to book the hall in Pugin Place

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please continue to keep in your daily prayers the sick of our parish family.

Annie D'Sa Emmanuel and Florence Meshe	Francis Ayodele Francis Matajo	John Branch Juliet Townsend	Maggie Dempsey Mary Odih Myriam Achille	Sheila Lee Sick Priests of the Diocese	
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OBITUARY

We pray for the soul of Iris Spooner who died recently. We offer our prayers and spiritual support to her family and friends.

ANNIVERSARIES

Let us remember our departed brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again:

Anne Donaldson David McNamara Denis McKieman Eileen Murphy	Father William McBride Former Councillor Harry Singh Hilda Rocha Joseph Araneta	Joseph Freeder Kathleen Nye Kitty Murphy Mary Mead	Mary Reilly May Steel Mrs Sixta Guiang Akanbi Nuala Ennis	Pamela Warrington Patrick Cliff (Brian) Patrick Kevin Pooley Rita Winchester Robert Turner
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MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE!

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Nigerian Community meets every 1 st Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	Filipino Community meets every 2 nd Saturday of the month at 4:00pm for Holy Mass in the church thereafter in Pugin Place	Cameroon Community meets every 2 nd Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	Catholic Women Organisation at St Peters (CWO) meets every 3 rd Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place	Ghanaian Community meets every last Sunday of the month after 10am Mass in Pugin Place	St Peter the Apostle's Professionals & Trades Network (Spaptn) meets every last Sunday of the month after 11:45am Mass in Pugin Place
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