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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR (B) SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2021– ALL SAINTS DAY

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." Matthew 5:12

The feast of All Saints gathers together in one great celebration all those who throughout history have sought for God and found God in Christ. We celebrate our belonging to the great 'communion of saints' and long to be fully united with those who have gone before us 'marked with the sign of faith'. Our gospel, Jesus teaches us about the values, attitudes and actions of those who truly seek God. Jesus promises the rewards of the kingdom for those who live in this way. John reminds us in the second reading that we can have no idea what our future will be like. But, he says, 'we shall be like him'. Christians are assured that they will be brought into the very life of God. Do I try to make real in my life the simplicity of the beatitudes? We pray for all the faithful departed that they may have the fulness of life.

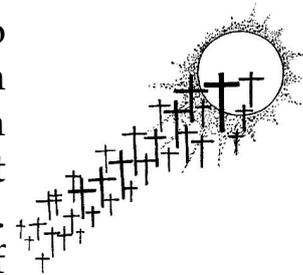


NOVEMBER: MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. We, as a parish, will keep the names of



our departed family and friends on the Altar and offer at least one Mass everyday throughout the month of November. Also we shall keep a Book of Remembrance at the foot of the Sanctuary and pray for all those whose names are inscribed in it.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING **Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14**
A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'



One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 23(24):1-6

R. Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. **R**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. **R**

He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R**

SECOND READING

John 3:1-3

A reading from the letter of John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12a

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and your may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: *We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST: November being the month of Holy Souls, we particularly remember and pray in a special way for those whom God has called from this life, especially members of our families and friends. Please put the list of names in a Holy Souls envelope together with your offering and drop it in the Holy Souls box. **We will place all those names on the Altar and say at least one Mass for those souls everyday in the month of November.**



ALL SOULS DAY: Is on Tuesday 2nd November, a day dedicated to commemorate the faithful departed. Masses are : 9.30am, 12:00 & 7.30pm

ROSARY WEEK: Thank you for praying rosary in this month of Holy Rosary especially in the Rosary Week. We conclude the Month of Rosary, on this Sunday, there will be Holy hour from 5.30pm and Solemn Rosary led by Choir & Parish Clergy, Mass at 6.30pm followed by refreshments in the hall. **Thank you to all the groups who led the rosary.**

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Are available from the Church Porch, please take as many as you can. Many thanks. You can use card machine for payment.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: Parish Council will meet on this Saturday 6th November from 11am to 3pm to discuss and plan the parish mission.

CEMETERY BLESSING: There will be blessing of the graves in November. If your loved ones are buried in the nearby cemeteries, priests are happy to bless them on Next SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER on the following time.

1pm: LAMBETH CEMETERY, Blackshaw Rd.

2pm: STREATHAM CEMETERY, Garratt Ln

3pm: LONDON ROAD (FIGGES MARSH) CEMETERY.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: We dedicate the month of November for Holy Souls remembering and praying for them. The Parish is keeping a **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** on the steps of the Sanctuary where you can include the names of your close family members in alphabetical order (SURNAME) please. The Parish family will pray for them especially throughout this month.

OFFERINGS by CARD & GIFT AID: *YOU CAN FIND THE CARD TERMINALS ON EITHER SIDE IN THE PORCH AS YOU ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT DOORS and also AT THE EMERGENCY EXIT LEADING TO THE GARDEN. You can Gift Aid all the offering you make by card. You can use card for Sunday offering/ Offering to the Poor/Second collection/ Shop etc. Please follow the instruction on the welcoming screen.*

QUIZ NIGHT: On Friday, 19th November, in the Café, from 7pm.

Serving Supper optional. All Welcome. Contact Tommy for more info.

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY: We will keep the last Sunday of the liturgical year, 21st November, as **Thanksgiving Sunday**. A day for our Parish family to give our gratitude to **God** for all the gifts we and our families have received throughout the year. We shall have an **All Nations Thanksgiving Mass** with parts of the Mass in different languages to thank **God** for the diversity of our Parish family and a Food festival in the hall. **FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES WILL LEAD IN SINGING:** Entrance by Pilipino & Polish, Offertory by Kerala and African & Caribbean, Communion by Tamil, Sri Lanka & English and Recessional: Ave Maria in different languages.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY: Thank you for remembering the poor and fasting on last Friday. The money saved of our fasting will be collected this weekend and give to the poor. **Second Collection this weekend is of Harvest Fast Day.**

CAKE SALE: Mary Hardy, Eileen Taylor & Family are organising **another cake sale & hand knitted/crocheted Children's items for sale on 12th December in light of what has happened in Kerela,** and all the proceeds will go towards the Orphanage.

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTISE: On Saturdays at 4pm. Youth Choir will sing at 9am Mass on every other Sundays.

HELPER IN CAFE. Main help needed Sunday lunchtime. Contact Tommy in Cafe for more info 07949332183

CONFIRMATION 2022 & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022: Registration forms for the 2022 programme is available from the Porch. *The Last Date to submit the forms are this Sunday, 31st October.*

SUNDAY CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN: At 10:30am Mass.

BIBLE STUDY CLASSES: On Thursdays at 7.15pm in the Café.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE: On Fridays 4-6pm.

CONFESSIONS: On Saturdays 10.30am-11.30am & 5.45pm-6.15pm

50PLUS CLUB: On Mondays from 12:30-2.30pm in the Café. All are welcome.

PARENT AND BABY : If you are a parent and have a baby 0-6 months old and looking for a support group for walks, coffees and play dates please contact Lisa on 07930479208

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS: 9.30am on Mon-Sat and Sun at 12:00.

HALL BOOKINGS: Please call 0208 672 2345 opt 1, Mobile 07456 514037 Hall queries only. Follow us online @stbonifacehall

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to those who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. *Cleaning Team is requested to inform the parish office before you leave the Church after cleaning so that the doors can be closed and turn off lights.* Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is Week3 (Team 3) at 10am.

TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest during Parish Open House which is every Friday 4pm – 6pm in the Parish Office.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: Is on this Monday *29th November at 7.15pm in the Presbytery.*

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or wedding or a private matter, please come to the Parish Open House on FRIDAYS. No appointment needed.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are admitted to St George’s Hospital and would like to see a priest, please contact Fr March Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.



PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Carmel Sammonds, Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Rosaria Alfonso, Anastasia Ogbonna, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin, Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Frances Brady, Maureen Connelly, Paric Burke, Eli Lee Roberts, Daniel Bird, Anne Doyle, Mark Sharkey, Tess Hill, Sheena Tighe, Carmel Sammons & Margaret Wood

Anniversaries: Elizabeth CREAN, Raymond D’SOUZA, Gloria GUILLEN, Marlo LUNA. Marie Rioux, Nora Bones, Kate Kiely, Silvana Nayegon, Maria Leyton, Alini Kasseer, Michael Geoghegan, Peter Donoghue, Thomas Coyne, David Rose, William Crowe, James Lane, Patrick Burke, Victorine D’Souza, James McGory, John Chivers, Michael Bonner, Una Manuk, John O’Connell, Dulcie Burlie, Noel O’Shaughnessy, Luica D’Amato, Kathleen Crowley, Mary Pinto and Camilo Xavier Pinto. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	30th & 31st October	6th & 7th November
LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the Rota)		
Sat 18.30	Chezka Mary Altea Chezter Marc Altea	Merichel Austria Altea Cid Altea
09.00	Sharon Wrightman Christi Anoop	Pat Willis Steve Robin Soosairaj
10.30	Elizabeth Gyamfi Emily Singh	Rose Adroa Francis Ikpoh
12.00	Doris Cubero Stephen Callus	Anthony Eze Deuwayne Ikpoh
13:00	Ian Johnston Chisom Aghaji	Sharon Fernandes Callum Fernandes
18:30	Padraig Cronin Susan Daniel	Remija Mponzi Bernadette Rose
Cleaning Rota:	Wk3: 1st November @ 10am	Wk4: 8th November @ 7pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last week's collection (£2195.31)
 Bag collection £1,293.81 Card collection: 470.00 & S/O: £431.50



<u>Sunday 31st October</u> <u>THIRY-FIRST SUNDAY</u> <u>YEAR (B)</u>	09:00 10:30 12:00 13:00 18:30	May Taylor RIP Sr. Ester Murry RIP/ John Quinn Mary Josephine Pinto Joyce D'Silva Birthday Remem- Fr Peter Audu Ints /
Monday 1st November Feria	09:30 18:30	Jean Yiptong Thankgiving November Deceased
Tuesday 2nd November Commemoration of all the Faithful departed	09:30 12:00 19:30	Cecilia Figueira RIP Holy Souls in Purgatory November Deceased
Wednesday 3rd November Saint Martin de Porres	09:30 18:30	Bridget & John Hearty RIP November Deceased
Thursday 4th November Saint Charles Borromeo	09:30 18:30	Pearl & Glen Thomas RIP November Deceased
Friday 5th November Feria	09:30 18:30	Elvina De Menezes Birthday Ints November deceased Aleykutty Joseph RIP
Saturday 6th November The Blessed Virgin Mary	09:30	Leonardo Figueira RIP November Deceased
<u>Sunday 7th November</u> <u>THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY</u> <u>YEAR (B)</u>	09:00 10:30 12.00 13.00 18.30	Michael Michael RIP November deceased Anita Fonseca Ints Theresa Schembri & Curuana Fami- Eulogia Chavez & Johnny Yu Glen Money RIP & Jim

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday 1st November</u> Padre Pio Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tuesday 2nd November</u> No Charismatic Prayer Group</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday 3rd November</u> Rosary Prayer Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday 4th November</u> Knit & Natter Group 3pm Cry Chapel Legion of Mary 7.15pm Cry Chapel Tamil Mass 7.30pm Church <u>Friday 5th November</u> Parish Open House (4.00pm – 6.00pm in the Presbytery)</p>
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<p>Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm – 6.15 pm</p>	<p>Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am</p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am</p>
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