



St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

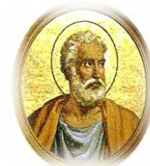
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PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Michael Branch
Assistant Priest: Fr Matthew Ndibe

Deacons: Rev Piotr Ziezio and Rev Errol Jadoc

PARISH SCHOOL

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

Week commencing 13th December 2020 – **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)**

ALL MASSES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

www.stpeterswoolwich.church



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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



SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

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

Saturday 12th 6:00pm	Holy Mass – Special Intentions for Eva, Alan, Annamaria and the Pinto family	GAUDETE SUNDAY Certain Sundays throughout the liturgical year have taken their names from the first word in Latin of the introit, the entrance antiphon at Mass. Gaudete Sunday is one of these. Gaudete Sunday is the Third Sunday of Advent. The Introit for Gaudete Sunday is taken from Philippians 4:4,5: "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). Like Lent, Advent is a penitential season, so the priest normally wears purple vestments. But on Gaudete Sunday, having passed the midpoint of Advent, the Church lightens the mood a little, and the priest may wear rose vestments. The change in colour provides us with encouragement to continue our spiritual preparation—especially prayer and fasting—for Christmas. For this same reason, the third candle of the Advent wreath, first lit on Gaudete Sunday, is traditionally rose-colored. Gaudete Sunday has a counterpart in Lent: Laetare Sunday. In the spirit of the Gaudete Sunday, may we continue to pray as a family in thanksgiving to God for keeping us alive and safe through the pandemic.
Sunday 13th 8:30am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm 6:00pm	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B) Holy Mass – Brandon Da Silva in Thanksgiving Holy Mass – Thanksgiving to the Ngougni Family Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Mrs Osamon RIP Holy Mass – Welfare of Tony McKeown	
Monday 14th 9:30am 12:30pm	St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Memorial Holy Mass – Welfare of Philip Gomes Holy Mass – Welfare of Thomas Buckle	
Tuesday 15th 9:30am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Welfare of Kit Meads Holy Mass – The family of Paddy and Fanny O'Donnell RIP	
Wednesday 16th 9:30am 10:00am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Martin Akologo RIP Requiem Mass – Thomas Murray RIP Holy Mass – Papa Antoine Nkey Olaako RIP	
Thursday 17th 9:30am 11:00am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Deceased Members of the Clancy Family (Foundation) Requiem Mass - Ifeyinwa Onyemelukwe RIP Holy Mass – Heather Champion RIP	
Friday 18th 9:30am 12:30pm	Feria Holy Mass – Bridget Durunwa RIP Holy Mass – Anthony Isanzu RIP	
Saturday 19th 12:00 noon 12:30pm 6:00pm	Feria Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Kiran Augustine Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving for Karen Gargallo	
Sunday 20th 8:30am 10:00am 11:45am 3:00pm 6:00pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B) Holy Mass – Loreto Irog RIP Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Maureen Chester RIP Holy Mass – Barry Huntbach RIP Holy Mass – Anthony and Mona Pinto RIP	

OFFERING MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to book a Mass, please call directly on 020 8854 0359 or email woolwich@rcaos.org.uk with your mass intentions. **Please include name, date, Mass Intentions, and your telephone number (in case of any queries if required.)**

Any donation that you wish to offer for the booked Mass can be paid by bank transfer directly into the parish account: (see below for bank details.)

Thank you.

Mass for Deceased (2020)

Parishioners, Family and Friends

Please note the **6:00pm Mass on Thursday 31st December** will be offered for the **Deceased of 2020**. Names of those who have died in the parish during this year, will be called out. In light 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 2020. Please email or hand in your list to the parish office.

We are delighted to see some of our parishioners attending Holy Mass once again. Although there is still no obligation to attend Mass, those who come must comply with the following mandatory requirements:

- Everyone is to wear a face covering at Mass.
- Everyone is to sanitize their hands on entering and leaving the church.
- Entrance to the church is by the main doors and Exit by the side doors (maintaining social distancing of at least one meter at all times).
- There will be no singing.
- The homily will be brief.
- There will be no offertory procession. Gift offerings to be left with the stewards or donated to the food bank.
- There will be no collection. Please place your offering in one of the two large boxes at the entrance to the church (or the smaller one on the sanctuary).
- Everyone is required to give their name and either a mobile or landline number or email address or postal address which will be kept for 21 days to facilitate track and trace.
- The two side aisles are for couples and families. In the main aisles, please observe distancing by only sitting on a spot marked by the cross sticker.
- The priest will give Holy Communion in the hand maintaining a distance of at least 1 meter.
- There is a maximum capacity of 100 people in the church. When the church is full people can go into Pugin Place to watch the Mass on screen. A priest or deacon will administer Holy Communion at the appropriate time.
- The small 'cry room' is set aside for anyone who takes ill during Mass.
- Mass times are Saturday evening at 6 pm; Sunday at 08.30 am, 10.00 am, 11.45 am, 3 pm, (for elderly and vulnerable) and 6 pm.
- Everyone must remain seated after the final blessing so that the stewards can lead people out row by row.
- Everyone must leave the church immediately after Mass to allow cleaning to take place.
- If anyone objects to either wearing a face covering or giving their details to the steward they will be invited to leave.
- There are no toilets in use either in the church or in Pugin Place.
- Candles are permitted to be lit.
- Confession will take place at St Joseph's altar or outside or at the request of the priest

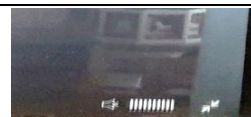
ACT OF PERFECT CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of Heaven and the pains of hell, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

For parishioners who still wish to view the Mass online via live streaming please click on the link, www.stpeterswoolwich.church scroll down to **see live cam** to watch the Mass on the webcam. In order for you to hear the sound go to the bottom right hand side of the screen (LOUDSPEAKER SYMBOL AND CLICK ON THE X) see picture



OFFERTORY DONATIONS

Now that the church services have been temporarily suspended, this will have a great impact on our parish income. If you still wish to make a weekly donation to the church you can post your donation in a sealed envelope through the presbytery letterbox, make an online donation as a "one-off" payment or to set up a standing order to make regular donations. Our bank details are as follows:

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).

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

Youth Group

Anyone between the ages of 11-17 are welcome to join the church youth group. We are currently meeting over zoom every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 3:00pm. **If interested, contact Obi on 07572105643.**

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.*



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, Helen Dickens, Noone Dunlevy, Margaret Dickens, Sandy Bamotra, Jacqueline Demar Richards, Antoine Libanje, Georgina Ferrier, Evelyn Martin, Cesil Ryan, Cecilia Egbujin, 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, Charlie, Charity Nwalozie, Anne Donaldson, Sick Priests of the Diocese and please continue to keep Bishop Pat Lynch in your prayers.

OBITUARY

Let us pray for the following souls who died recently:

Thomas Murray RIP - his Requiem Mass will take place on **Wednesday 16th December at 10:00am.**
Ifeyinwa Onyemelukwe RIP - her Requiem Mass will take place on **Thursday 17th December at 11:00am.**
 We offer our prayers and spiritual support 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.