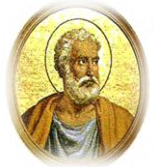




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Assistant Priest: Fr Joseph Ekene Nnalue
Also Resident: Fr Ethelbert Ukpabi
Deacons: Rev Piotr Ziezio and Rev Errol Jadoc

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The Third Week of Advent



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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A)

WEEK COMMENCING 11th December 2022

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

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



Saturday 10th 6:00pm	Holy Mass – Agnes Lawson 10th Death Anniversary
Sunday 11th 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 6:00pm 7:30pm	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A) Gaudete Sunday Holy Mass – Anthony Conway RIP Holy Mass – Ambrose D'Souza RIP Holy Mass – Thanksgiving to God from the Imonioro family Holy Mass – People of the Parish CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE – ALL ARE WELCOME
Monday 12th 9:30am 12:30pm	Our Lady of Guadalupe Holy Mass – 90 th Birthday Thanksgiving of Donaty Da Silva Holy Mass – Fr Seamus Heatherton RIP
Tuesday 13th 9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, Memorial Holy Mass – Welfare of Aikins and Duncan Families Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving of Goz Omezi Bible Study via Zoom
Wednesday 14th 9:30am 12:30pm	St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Memorial Holy Mass – Pedro Aquende RIP Holy Mass – Comfort Olufunke Alli RIP
Thursday 15th 9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	Feria Holy Mass – Brandon Da Silva in Thanksgiving Holy Mass – Ann Ginnaw RIP No Parish Surgery (Resumes on 12th January 2023 - 5:00pm – 6:00pm) Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass
Friday 16th 9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	Feria Holy Mass – Virginia Paula Santos RIP Holy Mass – Birthday Thanksgiving of Fr Roy Tablizo Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass
Saturday 17th 9:30am – 10:30am 10:00am – 12noon 12 noon 12:30pm 3:00pm – 4:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	Feria First Holy Communion Programme in the Church Confirmation Programme in Pugin Place Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Holy Mass – Anna Krejcarova RIP - 14th Anniversary RCIA Programme in Pugin Place Holy Mass – Deceased Members of the Clancey Family (Foundation) Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass
Sunday 18th 8:30 am 10:00am 11:45am 6:00pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A) Holy Mass – People of the Parish Holy Mass – Celia Mon Rico RIP Holy Mass – Esther Aquende RIP Holy Mass – CONFIRMATION Holy Mass – Filipino Novena Mass

Little Church 10am & 11:45am in Pugin Place

Christmas CAROL SERVICE

You are warmly invited to the Christmas Carol Service of the South-East Pastoral Area, Archdiocese of Southwark Parishes in the Deaneries of Bexley; Bromley; Camberwell; Greenwich; Lambeth and Lewisham

This Sunday 11th December 2022 Gaudete Sunday at 7.30pm

at St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Woolwich

Theme: Rejoice, Rejoice Emmanuel shall come to you

Featuring:
St Peter's Choir,
Voice of Africa Choir,
St Paul's Thamesmead Choir

Principal Celebrant:
The Reverend Canon Victor Darlington Episcopal Vicar for the South East; Episcopal Vicar for the Commissions for Education; Promoting Racial & Cultural Inclusion; and Director of CARITAS for the Archdiocese of Southwark, London

Confirmation 2022

Next Sunday, 18th December 2022 at 6:00pm, we welcome **Reverend Canon Victor Darlington Episcopal Vicar for the South East** who will be conferring the Sacrament to 40 candidates.

We offer our young friends our good wishes and assure them of our prayerful support and pray that the Holy Spirit will ignite them in the service of the Church. Grateful thanks to our Catechists for preparing them.



Friday 16th December is the Birthday of our Parish Priest, Fr Roy Tablizo.
The Priests and Parishioners wish him a very Happy Birthday.
Many happy returns of the day!
AD MULTOS ANNOS!



Heating and Lighting in the Church – We need your help!!

It is a well-known fact that every household and churches are faced with increased heating and electrical bills. Heating and lighting costs money to run and maintain. We want to make our church comfortable for everyone who comes to worship here at St Peter's. The heating is now turned on and hopefully everyone is enjoying the warmth. Please be aware that the main door of the church is closed and for everyone to use the side door instead in order to maintain the heat, since we have noticed the main door is forever left open and the gust of cold air makes the place cold despite the heating being turned on. We ask you to kindly contribute towards our heating and lighting costs. Any help would be much appreciated. A box is situated at the front of the sanctuary for your kind donations. May God bless you for your kind generosity.

A free short reflection brought to you each day of Advent:

Advent can be such a busy demanding time, but we encourage you to make some space to reflect and pray this advent.

Sign up for our free Southwark Diocesan 'daily advent reflections' to aid your prayer. Every day during advent you will receive an email with a very brief thought for the day based on the daily reading. It is an opportunity to listen to God's invitation to you this advent. All you have to do is sign up and then set aside a couple of minutes each day to reflect! Sign up via the Commission web site:

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/> clicking on the Advent Reflection box. Alternatively, if you are viewing this online, you can sign up directly by clicking here: <https://southwarkdsc.us11.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a3e1dce7f8f666e9d64edd867&id=4f880b3b9c>

FILIPINOS NINE DAY MASSES (NOVENA)

Catholics in the Philippines have celebrated their own pre-Christmas novena for 600 years. *Simbang Gabi* (Tagalog for "Night Mass") is a series of nine Masses traditionally celebrated in the pre-dawn hours each day from December 16 to December 24. It is a series of nine dawn masses on the days leading up to Christmas. It begins on December 16 and ends at midnight on the 24th of December, when a midnight mass is held. This tradition was introduced by the Spanish friars to allow the farmers to hear mass before going to the fields early in the morning. The masses can start as early as 4 in the morning. *Simbang Gabi* is also known by its popular Spanish name, *Misa de Gallo*, or "Mass of the Rooster."

Here at St Peter's Church, we will introduce the nine day masses but it will begin on Thursday 15th December – Friday 23rd December from 7:00pm – 8:00pm. Please let your family and friends come to this special mass before Christmas. Simbang Gabi is not just a tradition that is celebrated because it is necessary; it is the spiritual preparation for Christmas and commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. The celebration is also seen as a way of requesting blessings from the Lord.

Mass for Deceased (2022) Parishioners, Family and Friends

Please note the **12:30pm Mass on Saturday 31st December** will be offered for the **Deceased of 2022**. Many families have faced bereavement when **close members** of their family have died either in this country or abroad. We ask you to give us their names so they can be remembered on the last day of this year 2022. Please email or hand in your list to the parish office.



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 sustenance. 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*.



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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents wishing to have their children baptised in **JANUARY 2023** should attend the Pre-Baptism Programme on **Tuesday 13th December 2022**. This programme will start at 7pm and end 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 this Session. You will find them available on Thursday evenings during Parish Surgery. We request **ALL PARENTS**, who wish to get their children 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. **Those attending the above Session will have their children baptised on the following dates: Holy Baptism will be on Sunday 8th January 2023 and Sunday 22nd January 2023 after the 11:45am Mass.**



ST PETER'S FAMILY BIBLE STUDY



Please join us in our Bible Study coordinated by the Priests of the Parish by clicking on the link

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9129211913?pwd=aFNJMDJlMw1tTzIhSExlcTVkaDNPZz09> open your Zoom App and enter the Zoom Meeting ID: 836 6157 0378 Passcode: 0842



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 will resume on Friday 13th January 2023 at 7:00pm and all are welcome to join in the fellowship.

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

Online donations

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).

OPTION 2

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

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 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, Kathiravelu Nagarajah, Alex Morris, Kathy Stayne, Maggie Dempsey, Charity Nwalozie, Christopher Browne, Myriam Achille, Teresa Leahy, Sick Priests of the Diocese and please continue to keep Bishop Pat Lynch in your prayers.

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, Sean King, Julio Bacariza and Ellen Wilson.

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE!