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Mass Times and Intentions-Year B:

CONFESSION after all Masses ☒

ADORATION Monday to Friday 8am ☒ Divine Mercy Monday to Friday 9.30am ☒

ROSARY after Mass Monday to Friday ☒ NOVENA to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Wednesdays 9am ☒

Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary Friday 9am ☒

Sunday 3rd December 1st Sunday of Advent	4.30pm 5.30pm Vigil 9am 11am	Migrants Day Reparation to the Blessed Virgin Mary – 1 st Saturday Michael Basford & Deceased Members of the Basford Family People of the Parish Pope's Intentions
Mon 4 th December	10am	Grandchildren of Ejoy Family
Tues 5 th December	10am	St Anthony in Thanksgiving Valarie Somerset's Intentions
Wed 6 th December	10am	Felix Fernandes RIP
Thursday 7 th December	10am	Holy Souls Fatima & Proto Carvalho 45 th Wedding Anniversary
Friday 8 th December	10am	Onejite Oru's Intentions
Saturday 9 th December	5.30pm	Aileen RIP, Ernest RIP, Brian Hutt RIP & Lester Perreira RIP
Sunday 10th December 2nd Sunday of Advent	9am 11am	Rosam Paillai RIP & John Sinnathamby RIP Mick Malone RIP People of the Parish

ADORATION – DAILY FROM 8am - TUESDAY EVENING WEEKLY ADORATION The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration from 7pm – 9pm every Tuesday. Please join us.

RCIA – Meet every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

TEA & COFFEE IN HALL – After the 11am Mass

LEGION OF MARY - The Legion of Mary meet Thursday evening 7pm in the Parish Centre.

CHOIR PRACTICE – Thursday 7pm-8pm

DECEASED & SICK Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently, especially Kathleen Hegarty RIP and Christopher Ross-Kennedy RIP, whose funerals took place last week, and all their families and friends. For all those whose anniversaries occur at this time and remember also, those in our parish family who are in care homes, sick or housebound, especially all those on our Parish Sick List. (*See online for full list of names*).

STAYING IN ST HELIER HOSPITAL Please remember if you or a member of your family is taken to hospital to ask the ward staff to inform the Roman Catholic Chaplain, Fr. Philip Pak or call him on 07747 545080. If Fr Philip knows you are in the hospital, he will ensure you receive a visit and Holy Communion if required.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS: If you are applying, you must have received your First Holy Communion and must attend all five sessions **NEXT SESSION**, Saturday 9th December and Saturday 16th December.

ADVENT MESSAGE

Dear Parish Family,

As we begin our Advent journey, let us open our hearts to divine blessings. In this new church year, let us deepen our spiritual lives and draw closer to God's holy guidance.

Imagine the advice Our Lady and Saint Joseph would give us in a pastoral letter. They would urge us to have unwavering faith amidst uncertainty, to trust in God's timing, and to find joy in simplicity. They would remind us to extend love and compassion, and to be open to the miraculous.

As we journey through Advent, may we carry these lessons with us. May this be a time of spiritual renewal and transformation, preparing us to celebrate with great joy Christ's birth.

Blessings to your family and friends,

With love and hope,
Canon Michael

Pope Francis: Pray for immense suffering of people in Holy Land “This is not war; this is terrorism.” With those words, Pope Francis described the Israel-Hamas war that is ravaging the Holy Land. Addressing the faithful gathered in St. Peter’s Square for his Wednesday General Audience, the Pope turned his thoughts to those suffering in Palestine and Israel. In his appeal, he prayed for everyone suffering due to various wars, especially in Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine. The Holy Father recalled his meeting earlier the same morning, on 22 November, with two delegations: one of Israelis who have relatives held hostage in Gaza, and another of families of Palestinians who are suffering in Gaza. The Pope met first with the 12 members of the Israeli delegation at his residence in the Casa Santa Marta at 7:30 AM. He then met with the Palestinian delegation at around 8:00 AM in a room in the Paul VI Hall. The Palestinian delegation was composed of 10 people with relatives in Gaza, and included Christians and Muslims. They were accompanied by Fr. Gabriel Romanelli, the parish priest of the Catholic Church of the Holy Family in Gaza, and a Greek Orthodox priest. “They suffer so much. I heard how they both suffer,” said the Pope at the General Audience, adding that “wars do that”. “But here we have gone beyond wars”, the Pope stressed. “This is not war; this is terrorism. “Dialogue instead of passions The Pope invited everyone to “pray for peace; pray always for peace. “The Holy Father then prayed that the Lord may “help us to solve the problems and not be driven by the passions that wind up killing everyone. “Let us pray for the Palestinian people; let us pray for the Israeli people, so that peace may come,” the Pope concluded. The Director of the Holy See Press Office, Matteo Bruni, announced on Friday that Pope Francis would be meeting with the delegations, stressing that the meetings would be “of an exclusively humanitarian nature” aiming to demonstrate Pope Francis’ “spiritual closeness to the suffering of each individual”.

Source: Vaticannews.va

CHRISTMAS SIGN-UP SHEETS There are sheets in the sacristy for Readers and Altar Servers to sign up for the Christmas and New Year Masses.

RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Please see the website for important information and invitation to a meeting for parents/guardians of First Holy Communion children 2024 or pick up a hard copy at the Contact Corner. The meeting will take place **Saturday 13th January 2024 at 9.30am** in the church.

CARITAS SOUTHWARK Advent Calendar & Housing Justice Posters In Partnership with Housing Justice, Caritas Southwark is hosting an online information session on 13 December 2023, 7.30-8.30pm for people interested in becoming a host for a refugee. Please scan this other QR code to register for the event. Alternatively, you can email Caritas directly and we can forward the link to you.

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Last weekend's Offertory: £668.69 Second collection Youth Sunday £276.10 - THANK YOU!