

MASS INTENTIONS

9th December – 16th December 2018

Sunday 9 th Dec: Second Sunday of Advent (p. 84)	9.30am 11.00am 6.30pm	Mae Garofolin People of the Parish Private Int.
Monday 10 th Dec: (Ss John Roberts, Polydore Plasden & Eustace White)	9.30am	Age Doci RIP
Tuesday 11 th Dec: (St Damasus I)	9.30am	Deacon Int.
Wednesday 12 th Dec: (Our Lady of Guadalupe)	9.30am	Holy Souls
Thursday 13 th Dec: (St Lucy)	9.30am	Church Closed
Friday 14 th Dec: (St John of the Cross)	9.30am	Holy Souls
Saturday 15 th Dec: (Our Lady)	9.30am	Holy Souls
Sunday 16 th Dec: Third Sunday of Advent (p. 87)	9.30am 11.00am 6.30pm	People of the Parish Private Int. Eileen & John Goggin RIP



Parishioners and Friends who are sick:

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick, especially, Baby Ria Moreno, Stuart Howes, Pamela Raggett, Jamie Gilmour, Manuel Campello, Anna Cleary, Mario D'Souza, Josephine Edward and Christopher Holland.

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Sunday Masses: 9.30am,
11.00am and 6.30pm.

Confessions (Reconciliation):
Saturdays 10am-10.30am
& 5pm-5.30pm

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Waiting

It is said that the British are good at waiting in all sorts of circumstances.

We queue politely in shops, pubs etc waiting our turn. At least the outward appearance of waiting patiently is something we aim for! It is generally best not to speculate as to what is going on inside. Waiting isn't always something we like doing.

It is also true that there is waiting for things with excitement, say for a present or a meeting with a friend or someone we love. Sometimes waiting is a time of fear, maybe of news about health or a decision that affects the future.

Advent is a time of waiting for the Lord. It could be waiting with fear, frustration or joy and anticipation. We need to take time to reflect how we wait for the Lord so we can truly welcome him deeper into our lives when "at last he comes in glory".

Parish & Local News

2nd December 2018

Collection £737.61 + Standing Orders £400
Total Offertory: £1,137.61

Children's Liturgy:

Sunday 9th December Group 5 "Shepherds and Angels"
Sunday 16th December Group 6 "See the Star"
Children's Liturgy will then resume with Group 7 on the 6th Jan 2019.

Altar Servers rota:

Sunday 9 th Dec:	9.30&11am	Team 1	6.30pm	Team 2
Sunday 16 th Dec:	9.30&11am	Team 2	6.30pm	Team 3

Cleaners rota:

Saturday 15th December: Team 3 Saturday 22nd December: BIG CLEAN



Christmas Fair after Mass this Sunday

This morning we have our Christmas Fair. All our welcome to come and enjoy our annual event together.

Free Advent Booklets

The booklets at the back of Church, titled "My Day by Day", are free to take from today onward to enhance infants, Juniors and Adults Advent journey. Please do take as many as you need for yourself and your family.

Volunteers needed for Christmas Masses

Sign up sheets are now at the back of Church for volunteers to help with reading, cleaning (The Bug Clean), Eucharistic ministers, choir and offertory for Christmas and end of December masses. The Altar servers volunteer sign-up sheet is in the Sacristy.

School references

There is a sign up sheet at the back of church to arrange an appointment for Primary School References with Canon Francis, on Monday 10th, Friday 14th or Saturday 15th December.

St Mary Magdalen Volunteer Rotas for 2019: Updates and new members

We need new volunteers across all our rotas: Readers, cleaners, altar linens, counting the collection. If you are happy to help once/twice a month please let Canon Francis know or email the parish office on mortlake@rcaos.org.uk. Also, if you would like to be taken off of a rota please let the office know in the next 10 days as the new rotas are already being created for 2019.

Week-end Silent Individually Guided Retreat - Led by: The House of Prayer Community

Friday, 11 - Sunday, 13 January, 2019: Arrive on Friday in time for supper at 7.00 pm and leave on Sunday at 4.00 pm. Cost: £160 - Advanced booking essential: Please contact The House of Prayer: 020 8941 2313 or e-mail: admin@christian-retreat.org This retreat provides an opportunity to step aside from the busyness of everyday life and spend time in quiet prayer and reflection. A retreat guide will be available for daily individual meetings to accompany you through the retreat. Above all, this retreat is a time of listening to God who is present in the experiences of prayer and daily living.

SVP Sudan Baby Feeding Centre Appeal – THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our baby feeding centre in Sudan appeal. This year we have together raised £2200 (& gift aid); a fantastic response and a wonderful gift to the babies in Sudan. We do have a few cards left so if you have not yet bought one and would like to, please contact Joan Henshaw on 07961883140 or at joan@10mmt.com or if you would like to make a donation please put this into an envelope marked 'SVP' with cash or a cheque payable to 'SVP Twinnage' and post through the presbytery door. Again, 'thank you for the good you do, for your kindness and generosity'.

First Holy Communion 2019

The classes for 1st communion for children in year 3 (or above) will begin in January and the new applications are available at the back of the church for those who do not attend St Mary Magdalen school. They need to be returned by Dec 10th. Families at St Mary Magdalen school (year 3) will have heard through the school.

Catholics working in non-Catholic Schools

The Archdiocese of Southwark Education Commission would like to invite you to one of two twilight sessions. Twilight run from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.
14th January 2019 – Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road SE1 6HR
17th January 2019– St Francis Catholic Primary School, Queen's Road, Maidstone ME16 0LB. More information via Southwark Archdiocese website.

Catholic History Walks - London at Christmas and the New Year

Join us for seasonal walks through Westminster and Victoria, taking in Christmas trees and crib-scenes. Meet at Westminster Cathedral. Nearest Tube: Victoria. Sunday 16th December 2018 & Wednesday 2nd January 2019, both at 3pm. Walks may take up to two hours. Cost: £5, concessions available. Contact: chwalkslondon@gmail.com.