

# NEWS LETTER

**2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020**

The Presentation of the Lord (A)

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**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Malachi 3:1-4**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Hebrews 2:14-18**Gospel** Luke 2:22-40**SUNDAY 9.30<sup>AM</sup> MASS**

883	Entrance	484
480	Kyrie	487
489	Gloria	747
609	Offertory	356
482	Sanctus	

**PLEASE JOIN IN WITH THE SINGING**

Memorial Acclamation	747
Lamb of God	268 <sub>v 5</sub>
Communion	475
Recessional	621
	865

**SUNDAY 11<sup>AM</sup> MASS**

Entrance	770	Recessional
Gospel Acclamation		
Offertory		
Communion		
Post Communion		



My eyes have seen your salvation.

**CHRIST THE LIGHT OF THE NATIONS**

Jesus Christ brings God's light into a world darkened by sin. He calls us to share in his mission to let this light shine out to all people in our world today. He was born as one of us, and because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help us when we are tempted. Christ was rejected by many in his day, yet through his death and resurrection he took away the power of evil.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY**

**U**niversal: We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

**PLANNED GIVING & STEWARDSHIP****OUR PARISH, OUR NEEDS, OUR RESPONSIBILITY - WEEK THREE****MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS**

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	6.30 <sub>pm</sub> †	<b>Wellbeing of James Dyer</b>	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Johanna Watts RIP</b>	<b>The Presentation of the Lord (A)</b>
	11.00 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Josephine Ihonor RIP</b>	<i>Candlemas</i>
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Wellbeing of Domenico Khan</b>	S <sup>t</sup> . Blaise (Blessing of Throats)
		<i>Rosary</i>	
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Lindsay Pollard RIP</b>	
		<i>Rosary</i>	
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Divine Mercy</b>	S <sup>t</sup> . † Agatha
		<i>Rosary</i>	
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup>		<b>7.30<sup>pm</sup> † Mass</b>	S <sup>t</sup> . Paul Miki & Companions
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Special Intention of Sheldon Graham</b>	
		<i>Divine Mercy Chaplet &amp; Benediction</i>	
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 <sub>am</sub>	<i>Exposition &amp; Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>People of the Parish</b>	<i>Day for Victims of Trafficking</i>
	6.30 <sub>pm</sub> †	<b>For those preparing for their First Holy Communion &amp; Confirmation and their families</b>	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Bridget Kelly RIP</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)</b>
	11.00 <sub>am</sub> †	<b>Rose Duah RIP</b>	<i>Racial Justice Day</i>

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**Parking:** Do not park in the Church grounds, this is reserved for blue badge holders, and those dropping people off.  
**Children:** During Mass please keep your children with you at all times, accompanying small children to the toilet.

## PRAYERS

Please Pray for the sick and the housebound, for those recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Our "Prayers for Wellbeing", and "Prayers of Remembrance" books are at the back of the Church.

## CONFESSION

Confession times are: Monday - Friday: 9am, Saturday: 9am & 6pm, Sunday: 9am, and by appointment.

## COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU

### LAST WEEK

£348 Not Gift Aided  
£276 Gift Aided

£381 Standing Order Gift Aided  
£320 Parish Development Fund

**THIS WEEK:** No Second Collection  
**NEXT WEEK:** Racial Justice Sunday

## DONATIONS

GIFT AID	UK tax payers increase your donation by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. Forms are available at the back of the Church or via our website.	CHEQUE	Place your cheque, made payable to: <b>RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM</b> in an envelope stating the purpose of your donation and post in at the parish house, or place in the Offertory Collection.
STANDING ORDER (Preferred Method)	Ask your bank to make a standing order to: <b>RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM</b> Sort Code: <b>60-21-12</b> A/c No: <b>37298445</b>	CASH	Offertory Collection at Mass.

## MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sat 6.30 pm	65	Sun 9.30 am	130	Sun 11 am	190
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## NEWS

### PLANNED GIVING & STEWARDSHIP

### OUR PARISH, OUR NEEDS, OUR RESPONSIBILITY

**"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7**

Over the last couple of weeks you have heard about Stewardship and Planned Giving. We have asked that all parishioners prayerfully reflect on what they contribute to our parish, having taken into consideration the needs of our parish and having reflected on the message of stewardship.

This weekend we ask that **all** parishioners complete a promise card. These cards will remain private and confidential. Please provide your full contact details and select the method of offertory giving, best suited to you. If you pay UK income tax, please sign the **Gift Aid** declaration (in one name only) so that the parish can claim 25p back from the government for every £1 that you donate, at no extra cost to yourself.

Finally, we thank you for all that you already do for our parish. Without your continued support, this wonderful living church would not continue to be the spiritual centre it is today.

If you have any questions, there will be volunteers available after Mass this weekend. Thank you

## YEAR OF THE WORD

After the very successful retreat for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on November 16<sup>th</sup> at Bishop Thomas Grant School I have decided for the Year of the Word to ask Fr. Victor Darlington to host a similar day at **Sacred Heart School, Camberwell** on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> 2020**, starting with registration at 10<sup>am</sup>. Fr. Victor is a renowned scripture professor and teaches at St. John's Seminary in Womersley. His area of expertise is the writings of St. John. In the first presentation he will speak about "the Journey Towards Faith in the Gospel of John" reflecting especially on the Gospels for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent. In the afternoon session he will speak on the theme "Called to be a community of life" drawing especially from the 7 "I am statements" in John's Gospels which are used in the readings the Sundays and weekdays of Easter. The day will conclude with Mass at 2.30<sup>pm</sup>. There are posters on the hall, church and presbytery noticeboards for more details. If you would like to attend please give your name to Fr. Regis, or Steve the parish secretary.

**Bishop Patrick Lynch ss.cc**

## SYDENHAM CATHOLIC CLUB

We are delighted to confirm the Kilkennys, Ireland's exciting young folk and ballad group, will play in the club on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Feb, 9.30-11.30<sup>pm</sup>. Tickets £20 (This is a ticket only event). Tickets are now on sale in the club, don't miss out on this great night!

## LIGHT OF CHRIST CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

We will meet on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February in the parish hall. Praise & Worship is at 7.45<sup>pm</sup>, Mass at 8<sup>pm</sup>, with Fr. Eduardo (Dulwich) as celebrant, followed by Prayer and Praise.

## 2020 CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

**Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Feb at 5<sup>pm</sup> in the Presbytery:** Session Eight: Signs and Rites.

## 2020 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

**Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Feb at 10<sup>am</sup> in the Presbytery:** Chapter 7: Bread to offer.