

30th November 2025: © 1st Sunday Of Advent

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9.30am Entrance: L851, Offertory: L609, Post-Communion: L92, Recessional: 109

11.0am Gathering:112, Entrance, Kyrie:488, Gloria: , Gospel Acc:72, Offertory:881/, Sanctus 490, Memorial Accl:492ⁿ Save us Saviour, Communion: 111, Post communion:989 , FINA:84

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

SAT 29th-

09.30 Mass: Giuseppina Demasi -well Being

18.30 Mass: First Vespers and Mass of Sunday First week of Advent
 Joe, Bridie, Patricia, Steven Murray RIP

SUN 30th- First Sunday Of Advent

9.30 Mass: Patrick Flaherty RIP

11.00 Mass: Marlene Durkan—Birthday

MON 1st- Monday of the 1st week Of Advent

09.30 Mass: Albert & Mary Brown RIP

10.00 Rosary

TUES 2nd- Tuesday of the 1st Sunday Of Advent

09.30 Mass: For those in need -Good Estate

10.00 Rosary

WED 3rd- Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

09.30 Mass: Special Intention

10.00 Rosary

THUS 4th- Thursday of the 1st Sunday of Advent

09.30 Mass: Our Parish School community

10:00 Rosary

11.30 Funeral-Iris Scott RIP

FRI 5th- Friday of the 1st Sunday of Advent

09.30 Mass: Francis Zahringe RIP

10:00 Rosary

SAT 6th- Saturday of the 1st Sunday of Advent

09.30 Mass: Francis Zahringe RIP

10:00 Rosary

18.30 Mass: First Mass of Second Sunday of Advent
 Charles Dean RIP

SUN 7th- Second Sunday of Advent

9.30 Mass: Rose Zinder's Intention

11.00 Mass: Richard Marbaix

If you request for yourself or an immediate family

member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: gregoryackron@rcaos.org.uk.

Please Pray for the wellbeing of:

Ann Baker, Henry & Philomena Hutcheon, Nkechi Roberts, Margaret Doherty, Kathleen Edkins, Germani Vemalaragni, Steven Pearce, Carol Bonehill, Kamila Silke, Fr Luke Marappillil. Elizabeth De Masi, Matilda Ogutu, Irene Clark.

Please Pray for those who have died recently:

Francis Ighodard Okoh, Margaret Healy, Thomasina French, Rose Green, Fr Michael Kouadjo (Pauline's brother), James (Jim) Darmody, Ann Manly-Rollings, Giorgina Mabea, Albert James McElroy, Etelvina Rodrigues, Ann Maria Jalees, Sam Lowell, Tony Rawsthorne, Adam Taylor, Iris Scott

Sick & Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Gregory know and he will take them Holy Communion.

Catholic Women Praying Together (CWPT)

Join **CWPT Group** at **Our Lady & St. Philp Neri Church** every 4th Sunday of the Month, after 11 am Mass. See you all there.

Dates are as follows:

December (No meeting)

Catholic Institute Training and Workshops

Every parishioner, as well as teachers and parents in our school, has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>

Dates & Events

14th December - Christmas festive feast after am Mass

14th December- Christingle 3pm

Sydenham Catholic Social Club

Just nearby in Watlington Grove - 2 minutes walk.
Available for hire at weekends, during the week for celebrations, funerals, any special occasions or business use. Call Mags on 07930 889632

The Club opens for drinks and socialising with friends at weekends. Come and join us on Fridays at 7-11pm, Saturdays 4pm to 12.00am (live music) and Sundays 12.00 noon - 11pm

“Hospital Chaplaincy Volunteers - is this for you?”

The chaplaincy at Lewisham Hospital is currently looking to recruit more volunteers to visit patients on the wards, and a training course is due to start in mid-October. If you are interested in knowing more, please email Rev Emmanuel at ekormi@nhs.net, or call the Chaplaincy on 020 8836 6831. Gwen Chiosso from St Stephen's parish in Welling has written an article about her experience at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Woolwich, which can be found here: <http://>

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

You are invited to bring lists of departed loved ones whom we will remember at Masses throughout November.

There is a yellow box on the table at the back of the Church in which you can place the names of loved ones you wish to be remembered.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Rota

Dec 25 - Jan 26 Rota is place in the church foyer.

Coffee Morning

Every 1st Sunday of the Month after 9.30am Mass.

The **December** coffee morning after the 9.30 Mass will be held in **November!!**

Yes, the next 9.30 Mass coffee morning will be after Mass

This Sunday 30 November.

It's the **First Sunday of Advent!**

Christmas Feast

Only a few tickets are left for this activity on Sunday 14 December @ 12.30pm.

Please see Robert after Mass or e mail him on roberthero1@hotmail.com

HELPERS REQUIRED TO SET UP THE HALL

We require help to set up the hall for the Christmas Feast. This will take place on Saturday 13 starting @ 8.30pm. Please email: roberthero1@hotmail.com
If you can help.

Offertory:

Cash collections

Gift Aided: £142, Not Gift Aided: £333
Second Collection: £.00 Gift Aided
Second Collection: £.00 Not Gift Aided
Standing Orders Gift Aid Av week £433

Monthly Card Donations

Gift Aided: £133, Non Gift Aided: £174

Mass Count: Sat 6.30: 40
Sun 09.30:82, 11.00: 89

Second Collection

Last week: Non

This week: Non

Next week: Non

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, using the white envelopes at the back of the church, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated.

Card: Card Machine in Church Foyer or www.olspn.church

Standing Order: Email Treasurer for details.

Cheque: Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

Contact

David Simpson Treasurer:
sydenhamtreasurer@rcaos.org.uk

Steven Pearce Secretary: Mon (9^{am}-3^{pm}), Wed, Thur, Fri (9^{am}-12^{noon})
sydenham@rcaos.org.uk

Margaret Doherty Catholic Club: 07930 88 9632

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

COLLECT

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen

FIRST READING – Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.’ For out of Sion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Psalm 121

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the LORD.

1. I rejoiced when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
2. It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD.
As it is decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
There were set the thrones for judgement,
the thrones of the house of David.
3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray,
‘May they prosper, those who love you.’
May peace abide in your walls,
and security be in your towers.
4. For the sake of my family and friends,
let me say, ‘Peace upon you.’
For the sake of the house of the LORD, our God,
I will seek good things for you.

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SECOND READING – Romans 13:11-14a

Brothers and sisters: You know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarrelling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Show us, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia.

GOSPEL – Matthew 24:37-44

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: ‘For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated profit us, we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven and hold fast to what endures. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen