

<b>Saturday 11th November</b> St Martin of Tours	10am Sheridan Family Ints
	6pm Maureen Scantlebury RIP
<b>Sunday 12th November</b> 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am People of the Parish 5.30pm Magdalena and Gerard Oberding RIP
<b>Monday 13th November</b>	No Mass
<b>Tuesday 14th November</b>	10am Saint Prix Theodose RIP and PO Cheung Lam RIP
<b>Wednesday 15th November</b> St Albert the Great	10am Gemma Morgan Ints
<b>Thursday 16th November</b> St Margaret of Scotland	10am Johanna Holland RIP 10:30am To 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Friday 17th November</b> St Elizabeth of Hungary	10am Christina Sidlow Ints 10:30am To 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:30pm (Latin Mass) Catherine Ferrari Ints
<b>Saturday 18th November</b>	10am Ronnie Owens Ints 6pm Dolly Hallett RIP
<b>Sunday 19th November</b> 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am Edward and Bridget Clinton RIP 5:30pm People of the Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:**  
Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jason Moreno, Anna Roache, Shirley Monaco, Christiana Boothway and Gemma Morgan.  
  
Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Together the Catholic parishes of Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Putney, Richmond, Roehampton and Wimbledon Common form Mortlake Deanery.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**  
  
To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week

Sunday's offering was	£638.18
Contactless	£107.00
Standing Orders	£400
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1145.18</b>

**Thank you for your generosity**

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD  
Tel: 020 8788 7420  
Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE  
[www.ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk](http://www.ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk)

**This is a School Voucher Sunday**

**PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM**  
  
Those people who will require a school reference when applying to a Catholic School need to participate in this. By signing the vouchers the parish keeps a record of your mass attendance which is referred to when signing school reference forms.

**Contacts**

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Retired Priest: Fr. David Peck

Parish Secretary: Anne Bzowska  
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Organist: Robert Pettigrew

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# Our Lady and Saint Peter

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**32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

**Gospel Reflection**



MT 25:1-13

Wisdom is a gift from God that we all can drink from freely. Christ is the fount of wisdom which we can drink from to refresh ourselves and be renewed. Wisdom is used to give us encouragement to make the right decisions for our daily lives. It puts us on the right path in living our lives freely, courageously and with deep faith and love.

In the Gospel of Mt 25:1-13, we come across five wise and five unwise virgins. The five wise virgins came prepared with oil for their lamps while waiting for the Bridegroom and eventually joined Him at the wedding banquet, whereas the foolish virgins were not prepared, and therefore suffered the consequences.

This Gospel teaches us to always be prepared in life for all kinds of situations. We should become "just in case" people. We must be prepared for the rain and pack in our brollies or raincoats, just in case it rains when we see dark clouds in the sky; when we go on long road trips, we need to see that our cars have enough petrol just in case we get stuck on the roads and cannot go further. These are just two examples of how we need to be prepared in life. We also need to take responsibility and be accountable for our lives as common-sense dictates.

The wise virgins were ready to meet the Bridegroom because they had sufficient oil for their lamps to keep on burning during the night. What can we learn from these wise virgins? What kind of oil are we using to be prepared for life's situations? Are we using burnt oil and being of no use to God and His Kingdom or are we using good pure oil to make a lasting impact on others with the lives that we live? When we make poor decisions, we are contributing to our own downfall. Wars and hatred in the world among people become like an inferno because of a lack of responsibility, and selfishness seem to be the order of the day.

When we are well prepared with the good oil we have, we will be ready to meet the Bridegroom. Our lamp of faith should be well stocked up spiritually by leading prayerful godly lives and by putting our faith into action. We must always remain vigilant, through prayer, study and acts of mercy. No one can make that spiritual preparation for us. It is a decision we need to make ourselves for being prepared and for staying awake. The lesson which we can take from this parable is to prepare now while we still have time, for those who do not prepare are not allowed to enter the wedding banquet.

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## PARISH NEWS

### CHRISTMAS FAIR 10TH DECEMBER

Please save the date for our Parish Christmas Fair on Sunday 10th December after 10am Mass in the hall. There will be refreshments, bottle tombola, gift tombola, a raffle and a special visit from someone special....

If you would like to help or can offer a raffle prize, please contact [louiseannebrown99@hotmail.com](mailto:louiseannebrown99@hotmail.com)

Next week we will start collecting donations of bottles, gifts, toys, chocolates and toiletries. Donation bucket will be in the porch.

Thank you for your support.

### The 200 Club

There are some 200 Club Prizes that haven't been claimed. If you have been on holiday or have not been able to get to Mass, can you drop into the Sacristy after all the Masses to see if you are a lucky Winner. The 200 Club Christmas Draw takes place on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> December. Can you all make sure that your subscriptions are up to date by then. Anyone can still join the 200 Club for this year and hopefully you will all join up again in January next year. Thank you all very, very much for your great support.

### Archbishop's Appeal 11/12 November 2023

There will be a second collection for the Archbishop's Appeal this weekend..

The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support innovative projects taking place within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve. Please be generous to the Archbishop's Appeal 2023. Every gift is welcome. Find out more, or donate online: [www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal) or: • Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504 • Cash / Cheque – please use the Archbishop's Appeal envelopes at the back of church. Thank you for your generosity of heart.

### Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday

### THE WINNERS OF SUNDAY 12th November 200 CLUB

1	194	Jennifer Cornish
2	1	Carol Blades

### Parish Hall—Bookings

If you are planning an event and would like to use the Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing [bookingsolsp@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsolsp@gmail.com)

### GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer, for every £1 you give to the parish, we can get another 25p. Please speak to: John O' Reilly 07977 538671.

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### First Holy Communion 2024

Classes will start in January for next year's First Holy Communion children. Application Forms are available from Fr Philip after Mass.

### Dates for your diary. Christmas Events.

**Feast of Christ the King - Sunday 26th November International Meal Day.**

**Parish Christmas Fair - Sunday 10th December at 11am**

**Christmas Carol Service - Friday 15th December at 7pm**

**Parish Christmas dinner - Sunday 17th December at 1pm**

### FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING - INTERNATIONAL MEAL 26th NOVEMBER

Our annual lunch event where parishioners bring a meal from their home country will take place on Sunday, 26th November.

All welcome!

### Hail Holy Queen Prayer

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.  
To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.  
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Amen

### Legion of Mary

Junior Praesidium Our Lady of Morning Star meet on Tuesdays at 3:50pm.

Junior Intermediate Praesidium Our Lady of Guadeloupe meets on Sundays at 11.15am.

### RCIA Classes every Tuesday 7pm in the Parish Hall

Classes every Tuesday for any adult who is wishing to become a Catholic or make their first communion and confirmation.



If you would like to donate towards the running of the Parish you can do so by scanning this QR Code into

## NOTICE BOARD

### Friends Of The Holy Land Christmas Concert

**Thursday December 14th 6pm at Our Lady of Victories Church, Kensington**

Palestinian-themed buffet from 6pm (£50) or concert-only ticket to start at 7:30pm (£30)

Buy your tickets through [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com): Search 'FHL Christmas Concert' or for more details: [friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/christmas-concert-2023](http://friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/christmas-concert-2023)

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