Sunday 19th November 2023

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Saturday 18th November	10am	Ronnie Owens Ints	PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:
	6pm	Dolly Hallett RIP	Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie
Sunday 19th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Edward and Bridget Clinton RIP	Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson,
	5.30pm	People of the Parish	Tom Bailey, Jason Moreno , Anna Roache, Shirley Monaco, Christiana Boothway and Gemma Morgan.
Monday 20th November		No Mass	
Tuesday 21st November	10am	Cecilia Hughes Ints.	Please pray for all those who have died recently.
Wednesday 22nd Novem- ber St Cecilia	10am	Cecilia de Freitas RIP and Irving De Freitas RIP	Together the Catholic parishes of Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Putney, Richmond,
Thursday 23rd November St Columban	10am	Fernando D'Costa Ints	Roehampton and Wimbledon Common form Mortlake Deanery.
	10:30am To 1pm	Adoration of the	
Friday 24th November St Andrew Dung-Lac and	10am	Deceased members of Mortlake Deanery	WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
Companions	10:30am To 1pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week Sunday's offering was £730.98 Contactless £254.14
	6:30pm (Latin Mass)	Deceased members of the Legion of Mary	Standing Orders £400 Total £1385.12
	7:30	Our Lady's Prayer Group	Second Collection Archbishop's Appeal £400.59
Saturday 25th November	10am	Gladys Fay Gardner RIP	Thank you for your generosity
	6pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday 26th November Christ the King	10am	Daniel O'Shea RIP and Maria Dennehy-Wilson RIP	OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD
	5:30pm	Abina Dale RIP	Tel: 020 8788 7420
Contacts	ı		Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE
			$www.ourlady {\it queen of heaven.wandsworth.sch.uk}$
Parish Priest : Fr. Philip de F	reitas		
Fr Philip personal email: philipdefreitas@rcaos.org.uk			This is a School Voucher Sunday
Retired Priest: Fr. David Peck			PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM
Parish Secretary: Anne Bzowska Office Hours: Wednesdays & Fridays 9am-2pm			Those people who will require a school reference
Organist: Robert Pettigrew			when applying to a Catholic School need to partici-
15 Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD			pate in this. By signing the vouchers the parish keeps a record of your mass attendance which is
Tel 020 8788 9603 Email <u>wimbledoncommon@rcaos.org.uk</u>			referred to when signing school reference forms.
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Our Lady and Saint Peter WIMBLEDON COMMON

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33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

November - The Month of the Holy Souls

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.

The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Even in the Old Testament prayers and alms were offered for the souls of the dead by those who thought "well and religiously concerning the resurrection." It was believed that "they who had fallen asleep with godliness had great grace laid up for them" and that "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." We know that a defiled soul cannot enter into heaven.

Purgatory is not eternal. Its duration varies according to the sentence pronounced at each particular judgment. It may be prolonged for centuries in the case of the more guilty souls, or of those who, being excluded from the Catholic communion, are deprived of the suffrages of the Church, although by the divine mercy they have escaped hell. But the end of the world, which will be also the end of time, will close for ever the place of temporary explation. God will know how to reconcile His justice and His goodness in the purification of the last members of the human race, and to supply by the intensity of the expiatory suffering what may be wanting in duration. But, whereas a favourable sentence at the particular judgment admits of eternal beatitude being suspended and postponed, and leaves the bodies of the elect to the same fate as those of the reprobate; at the universal judgment, every sentence, whether for heaven or for hell, will be absolute, and will be executed immediately and completely.

The Church Suffering and the Church Militant constitute in their relations a second circle of most vital activities. Having entered into the night "wherein no man can work," the Suffering Church cannot ripen to its final blessedness by any efforts of its own, but only through the help of others—through the intercessory prayers and sacrifices (suffragia) of those living members of the Body of Christ who being still in this world are able in the grace of Christ to perform expiatory works. The Church has from the earliest times faithfully guarded the words of Scripture that it is a holy and a wholesome thing to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins. [2 Macab. 12, 43] The suppliant cry of her liturgy: "Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them," can be heard already in the Acts of the martyrdom of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas (A.D. 203) and is represented in numerous sepulchral inscriptions of the most ancient period, while theologians and Fathers of the Church, beginning with Tertullian, have supplied its substantial proof.... So fundamental indeed and so natural to man's hope and desire and love is this belief, that historians of religion have discovered it among almost all non-Christian civilized peoples: a striking illustration of Tertullian's saying that the human soul is naturally Christian.

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PARISH NEWS

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING INTERNATIONAL MEAL - Next Sunday 26th NOVEMBER

Our annual lunch event where parishioners bring a meal from their home country will take place next Sunday, 26th November. Please indicate what you intend to bring on the sheet at the back of the church. Please provide your own drinks. All welcome!

Society of African Missions - Annual Mission Appeal - 26th November

A priest from SMA is visiting the parish next weekend and will speak at all Masses about the work of the SMA. We will be holding a Second Collection to contribute to their work.

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Our Lady Queen of Heaven School

Key Stage 1 Children's NATIVITY PLAY, Thursday 14th December at 2pm

Elderly parishioners are invited to see the Our Lady Queen of Heaven Nativity play which will be held at the school at 2pm on 14th December.

Please contact the school on 2028 788 7420 if you would like to attend or ask Fr Philip to book you a place.

Our Lady Queen of Heaven School

Key Stage 2 Children's Carol Service, Wednesday 20th December at 6pm

The Our Lady Queen of Heaven Carol Service will be held at the church at 6pm on 20th December.

All welcome.

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

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.

THE WINNERS OF SUNDAY 19th November 200 CLUB

76 Bridget Mc Corkell

37 Mrs M Doyle

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.

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.

GIFT AID SCHEME

f 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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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

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, please could you go to the Sacristy after Mass to see if you are a lucky Winner.

The 200 Cub Christmas Draw takes place on Sunday, 17th December. Can you 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.

NOTICE BOARD

Casual Work Opportunity - Examination Invigilator £11.95 per hour

St Philomena's High School are seeking to expand their pool of Examination Invigilators to work on an ad-hoc basis as required by the school. Experience of working with children and young people and to be available to invigilate at short notice is required. Applications by email to recruitment@stphils.org.uk phone 0208 7643 2025 ext 202

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: Search 'FHL Christmas Concert' or for more details: friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/ christmas-concert-2023

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Dates for your diary. Christmas Events.

Feast of Christ the King - Sunday 26th November International Meal Day. Please provide your own drinks

Parish Christmas Fair - Sunday 10th December at 11am

Christmas Carol Service - Friday 15th December at 7pm

Parish Christmas dinner - Sunday 17th December at : 1pm. Please provide your own drinks

• Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

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