

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Newcomers to the parish are always very welcome and are invited to take an 'Are you new to our parish?' leaflet from the front porch of the church and complete and return the enclosed form.

PARKING FOR PARISHIONERS

Our car park is relatively small and we ask parishioners to park neatly in the marked bays and avoid blocking cars in, parking in the spaces reserved for disabled badge holders and across the entrance to the church.

The cooperation of all is much appreciated.

CATHOLIC PUBLICATIONS, including the UK's two Catholic newspapers, The Catholic Universe and The Catholic Times, and the Diocesan newspaper, The Pilgrim, are on sale in the front porch of the church. Please place correct money in the 'Newspapers' box.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION (CGA)

The CGA's mission and purpose is to keep Prayer at the Heart of the Family and to pass on the Faith. For information about the CGA and their latest newsletter, please visit: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

APPLICATIONS FOR ST CECILIA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL - INTAKE 2019/20

The closing date for applications for **Foundation 1** (Nursery), for children whose dates of birth range between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, and **Foundation 2** (Reception) for children whose dates of birth range between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, is 15 January 2019.

To apply for a place or check that your child's application is complete contact the school office on 020 8337 4566 or email office@stcecilias.school Full details about our admissions process and how to book a guided tour of the school can be found on the school website at www.stcecilias.school

DATA MANAGER VACANCY—THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL, PURLEY

Details of this post can be found on the notice board in the front porch of the church or on the school's website: www.johnfisherschool.org/Career-Opportunities

PILOT WINTER SHELTER JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Sutton Community Works are piloting a winter shelter for rough sleepers in February 2019 and are seeking to recruit a Project Co-ordinator and a Project Assistant. Volunteers are also needed and training is being offered during January. If you are interested in getting involved in this project please email suttonshelter@gmail.com or visit www.suttoncommunityworks.org

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST CHRISTOPHER

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Parish Office 020 8642 0744
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Parish Website: www.stchristopherscheam.com
Deanery Website: www.suttondeanery.weebly.com
Diocesan Website: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

NEWSLETTER

23 December 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

and

30 December 2018

THE HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH (C)



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| Sun 23 Dec | Nine Lessons and Carols 6.00pm at St Dunstan's C of E, Cheam |
| Wed 26 Dec -
Fri 28 Dec | No Mass & Parish Office Closed (Wednesday to Friday inclusive) |
| Sat 29 Dec | Please note: No Confessions on Saturday morning |
| Mon 31 Dec -
Fri 4 Jan | No Mass & Parish Office Closed (Monday to Friday inclusive) |
| Fri 4 Jan | St Christopher's Craft Circle 10.30am—12.30pm |
| Weekly Wed
Fri
Sun | Toddler Group 9.45—11.15am (term time)
Coffee in the hall after 9.00am Mass
10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy
Refreshments in the hall after Mass |

23 December 2018 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

Sat 22 1800 Nora & Steve McDonagh RIP (Sarah Ball)
 Sun 23 0830 Mary Quigley RIP
 1000 People of the Parish
 1200 Jim Cattini RIP (Sylvia Cattini)
 Mon 24 1000-1030 Sacrament of Reconciliation

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1800 **Vigil Mass of Christmas**
 Royston Louvain Drucker RIP Anniversary &
 Royston Frederick Drucker RIP
 2100 **Midnight Mass** (preceded by Carols)
 People of the Parish

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tue 25 0900 **Mass at Dawn**
 Stella & Allan Paxton RIP
 1030 **Mass during the Day**
 John Waldron RIP

Wed 26)
 Thu 27) **No Mass**
 Fri 28)

Sat 29 1700-1730 Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 December 2018 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (C)

Sat 29 1800 Frank, Marjorie & Peter Lodrick RIP, Aunty Em RIP &
 Baby Boy RIP (Pam Le Lievre)
 Sun 30 0830 Roger Brackfield RIP Anniversary (Marie Brackfield)
 1000 Mike Brown RIP (Joyce Brown)
 1200 People of the Parish

Mon 31)
 Tue 1) **No Mass**
 Wed 2)
 Thu 3)
 Fri 4)

Sat 5 1030-1100) Sacrament of Reconciliation
 1700-1730)

6 JANUARY 2019 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (C)

Sat 5 1800 Brian Le Boeuf RIP Anniversary
 Sun 6 0830 Richard Lung RIP Anniversary (Mary & Zania Lung)
 1000 Claire Rutherford RIP Anniversary
 1200 People of the Parish

LAST SUNDAY Attendance 464
 (16.12.18) Plate **£ 475.21**
 Gift Aid **£ 513.28**
£ 988.49

Gift Aid by standing order—November **£2,101.16**

Thank you for your offerings.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

Gift Aid donors are kindly asked to use their numbered scheme envelopes marked “Christmas Offering”. Cheques from Gift Aid donors should be made payable to “St Christopher’s Church” and placed in the scheme envelopes. Would other donors please take an envelope from the back of the church or the side porch and place their offering in the envelope in the plate at one of the Christmas Masses.

All Christmas offerings including cheques made payable to “St Christopher’s Church” are paid over the Father Bernard.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Luigi Marciano. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Monday 7 January at 11.00am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Jill Atkin, Peter Barry, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Pat Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Patrick Gill, Bob Green, Jerome Jephcott, Sean Healy, Umberto Inostroza, Margaret Jones, Patrick Kennedy, Indira Louis, Michael McKenna, Michael Moores, Ivan Pedropillai, Leslie Pinto, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Nan Waldron, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter, Nickii Wright and one other parishioner.

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

St Dunstan’s, Cheam extend a warm invitation to parishioners to join them for their Nine Lessons and Carols service on **Sunday 23 December** at 6.00pm.

2019 SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC DIRECTORY

Copies of this useful directory which gives details of Catholic churches and Mass times for Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation are on sale at £3 from the book rack at the back of the church. Please place the correct money in the ‘Newspapers’ box in the front porch of the church.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.