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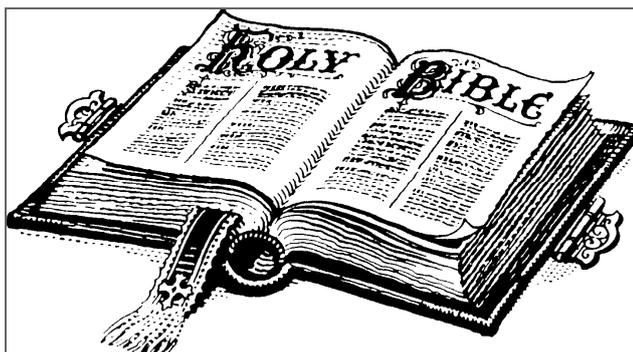
### The word of the Lord purest gold.

#### Psalm 17

Among the directives the Church gives to those building new churches is to make sure that the place from which the Scriptures are read at Mass called the ambo is made of the same material as that of the altar. In Our Lady Immaculate Church the stone is Mocca Stone from Portugal. The reason for this is to emphasize that there are two tables from which we are fed during Mass; the Table of the Word and the Table of the Eucharist.

Christ is present in the Word that is proclaimed as well as the

Bread that is shared. Much has been done in recent years to encourage us to realise that the Word of God read at Mass is vitally important to us. Even in my lifetime I can dimly remember the priest reading both the Epistle and the Gospel in Latin. Unless you had an English missal you would not know what was God's Word unless you were following the text in your missal. We honour God's word by incensing the Book of the Gospels. We stand to listen to the Gospel which is a sign of respect and honour. We carry the Book of the Gospels in procession. It suggests in the introduction to the Lectionary that to help us to hear and take in what is read the readings may be preceded and followed by appropriate periods of silence. We are not too good at this in our parish.



This Sunday we encourage all Readers to renew their commitment to reading at Mass. They have a very important ministry that enables us to hear God's Word spoken. God's Word needs to be read with clarity and understanding. A reader who has properly prepared their reading makes such a difference. The reading of scripture should never be taken in a hasty or off

hand way. We need to take care of this wonderful treasure we have. It is heartening and encouraging to have some of our young people who were confirmed last year join the rota as Readers.

The reading and hearing of Scripture should not be confined to the Liturgy. Scripture needs to be part of our daily life and prayer. Have you a copy of the Old and New Testament that you use and find easy to read? When was the last time you prayerfully read the Scriptures? The last meeting with the bishops of the world in synod was about the Word of God and the pope issues an exhortation afterwards in which he said, "the reading of the word of God sustains us on our journey of penance and conversion, enables us to deepen our sense of belonging to the Church, and helps us to grow in familiarity with God. As Saint Ambrose puts it, "When we take up the sacred Scriptures in faith and read them with the Church, we walk once more with God in the Garden".

Anthony Charlton

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 3rd/4th December 2011**

**Bible Sunday**

**Second Sunday of Advent (B)**

- Sat 6.30pm** David Doyle RIP (Kathleen, John & Mary Doyle)  
**8pm** Mass in Korean
- Sun 9am** Ted Howe RIP (Sheila Howe)  
**11am** Bernard Mackin RIP (Josie Espiritu)  
**12.30pm** **Baptisms: Lois Emily Maranzano, Jessica Louise Weston, Thomas Michael Bartholomew Carter & Henry Mark Middleton**  
**2pm** Mass in Korean  
**5pm** Exposition, Evening Prayer & Benediction  
**6pm** People of the Parish

**Readers will be invited to renew their commitment at all Masses**

**Daily Masses 5th-10th December 2011**

- Mon Feria**  
**9.30am** Welfare of Peter & Ann Groves (Rosemary Durkin)
- Tues Feria**  
**7am** John Frederick Gowers RIP & Margaret Theresa Gowers RIP (FM)  
**9.30am** Maria Eaton RIP (Elizabeth Saunders)  
**11am** **Funeral Mass- Gerard Dodds RIP**
- Wed St Ambrose, bishop & doctor of the Church**  
**7am** Michael Long RIP (Kit Adshead)  
**9.30am** Maria, Valentino & Antonio Ostacchini RIP (Mrs Mazza)
- Thur THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
**7am** All Subscribers to OLI Church (FM)  
**9.30am** Domingo Peadade Cruz RIP (Francisca Rodrigues & Family)  
**11am** **School Mass** Betty Randall RIP (Jacques Lambert)
- Fri Feria**  
**7am** Henry & Mary Joyce RIP (M.J.Gray)  
**9.30am** Nubia & George Carro- In Thanksgiving for 26 Years of Marriage  
**1pm** **Funeral Mass: Richard Baker RIP**  
**10am** **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
- Sat Feria**  
**9am** Benjamin Clive Donald In Thanksgiving (Rob & Roselle Donald)

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 10th/11th December 2011**

**Third Sunday of Advent (B)**

- Sat 6.30pm** Deceased Members of the Kenny Family (Maureen & Alf Kenny)  
**8pm** Mass in Korean
- Sun 9am** People of the Parish  
**11am** Sue Smith RIP (Perks & Keely families)  
**CHURCH PARADE**  
**12.30pm** **Baptisms: Joseph George Barton & Zak Peter John Nason**  
**2pm** Mass in Korean  
**5pm** Exposition, Evening Prayer & Benediction  
**6pm** Robert & Annie Eales RIP (FM)

We pray for all **the faithful departed** who have died recently, especially:-**Gerard Dodds, Sophie Laura Hague**, granddaughter of Gerry Hague, **Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus John Jukes**, whose funeral is on Tuesday 6th December at 12 noon at St George's Cathedral and **Richard Manche** ( father of Justine & Petra Manche).

We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We remember all our **sick and elderly parishioners**, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them; Emma Rees (granddaughter of Toni Comer), Jane Estall, Santhra Scgaram (Genny's husband), Elizabeth Gillman, Frances Fox, Michael O'Brien, Rhian Knappgate, Brenda Killeen, Ken Goodall, Sheila Durrant, Barbara Stevenson, Ron Dorey, Bernard Darney, Peter Groves, Baby Ella Hayes, Amandina Marsella, Mora Witton, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Luke Nolan, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Felicia Nazareth, Peter Ashdown, Mary McDonnagh, Fr Simon Peat, Baby Thomas Haley, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Maureen Wilson, James Austin, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, John Ingrassi, Baby Patrick Ferris, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Clint Samson, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie Burrige, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Tom Tyler, Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Eva Hansford, Jeffrey D'Cruz, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Norma Latham and Mary Bastiampillai.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
(Confession)**

**Saturday 9.30am to 10am and  
Saturday 5.30pm to 6pm**



We welcome into the Church **Ruben & Raphael Kennerson and Luca Guisepppe Antonio- Iollo** who were baptised last Sunday.

**Last week's Offertory Collection for the upkeep of the church : £1,823**

**Maintenance Fund for St George's Cathedral £ 365**

We thank you for your continued generosity .

(Cash counters this week: Barbara Buchinger & Bernie Turkington Next Week: Susan & Stephen Fleming)

**Appeal by Holy Cross Girls for  
Thailand Orphanage Visit**

## READINGS

### This Week: : 2nd Sunday of Advent (B)

#### First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11  
Words of comfort that speak to the heart characterise this reading from Isaiah, together with the promise of a new Exodus and the revelation of divine glory.

#### Second Reading

2 Peter 3:8-14  
Against those who deny Christ's future return in glory, the author contrasts God's transcendence and forbearance with all that is transitory. He urges us to live in such a way as to be ready to meet the Lord who will come unexpectedly.

#### Gospel

Mark 1:1-8  
John the Baptist is the last of the Old Testament prophets. He heralds the imminent coming of Jesus the Messiah.

### Next week: 3rd Sunday of Advent (B)

#### First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-2. 10-11  
The prophet Isaiah says God's spirit brings him great joy. He prophesies that those who are poor will receive good news, broken hearts will be healed, prisoners will be freed and justice will reign.

#### Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24  
Paul suggests that at all times and in all circumstances we are to rejoice, pray and give thanks to God.

#### Gospel

John 1:6-8. 19-28  
John the Baptist points out that the Lord is quietly present in the world and that he himself is simply "a witness to speak for the light".

### PRIEST VERIFICATION FORMS PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FOR 2012

Fr Anthony and Fr Arbo will be available to sign forms on Tuesday 6th December from 5.30pm to 6.30pm and Wednesday 7th December from 3pm to 4pm. Dates and times for future form signing sessions will appear in each weekend's newsletter.



If you would like to nominate a Charity for consideration at the next meeting on **Sunday 11th December 2011** at 7.15pm, a Nomination Form is available on the Parish Website ( [www.olionline.co.uk](http://www.olionline.co.uk) ) Some hard copies will also be available at the back of the church. You can leave the details in an envelope marked "2012 Lenten Project" through the Presbytery door

The criteria for selection of a charity are;

- ◆ Charity or organisation needs to be based in the third world
  - ◆ Direct help – we looking for small charities/ organisations rather than large established charities - no intermediate organisations or government agencies
  - ◆ Christian based
  - ◆ Confidence in the recipient – we need to know that the money will be going directly to the charity
  - ◆ Value for money – small and professionally run charity/organisation in the third or developing world
  - ◆ Organisations that have small overheads – we want to make sure that our money will make a real difference
  - ◆ Only one charity will be supported per country per year
  - ◆ Only four charities will be supported per year
- We're always looking for new event organisers so please come along if you want to get involved in the 2012 Lenten Project.

### PARISH DINNER

#### 27th January 2012 at the Sorrento Restaurant

It's that time of year again! Our Parish Dinner will be taking place on Friday 27th January 2012 at The Sorrento Restaurant, Ewell Road, 7.30pm for 8pm.

Join us for a three course meal for £15 per head. Includes service charge. Drinks and coffee extra.

Numbers are limited, so please contact Elaine at the Presbytery on 020 8399 9550, or email [info@olionline.co.uk](mailto:info@olionline.co.uk) to purchase your tickets.

Please arrange your own groups in advance if you would like to sit on the same table.

### Union of Catholic Mothers

December 6th Please meet at Da Paulo Resturant at 7pm for our Christmas Dinner

13th December We have been invited to New Malden UCM for their carol concert at 7.45pm for 8pm in St. Joseph's Church Hall

Our first meeting in 2012 will be January 3rd.

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

Volunteers are needed for all the Christmas Masses i.e. Christmas Eve 6.00pm (Vigil Mass); Midnight Mass (**begins at 11.30pm with carols and readings**); Christmas Day 8.00am; 9.15am and 11.00am. A separate sheet for each of the five Masses can be found in the RDJ Room. We need Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Gift Bearers, Collectors and Welcomers. If you can help with any of these please enter your name on the Rota sheets in the RDJ room for the Christmas Mass of your choice. It is important that we have a full complement for every Mass. You are asked to enter your name as soon as possible please, preferably by Sunday 18th December. Welcomers and servers are asked to be there half an hour before Mass starts.

Many Thanks for your help.

### Sunday Missals

We are now using our new parish missal published by McCrimmon. There are there are 2 volumes for each year. We have a three-year cycle. This parish Mass book will cover all 3 years in 6 volumes. A much more practical way of having your own Sunday missal is to buy the Redemptorist Missals which costs £19.95. Copies are still available in the Repository. If you want a missal that will only last for the year and you then discard it, there is the St Paul's Missal. Price £5.95. The Catholic Truth Society is bringing out a Sunday missal for £18.00 and a deluxe edition for £25. Next year they are publishing a daily missal that will have both Sundays and weekdays in one volume. The price of this will be £45. *Fr Anthony*

## TOY SUNDAY

Next weekend we designate as Toy Sunday. It is an opportunity for those who wish to donate one toy to a child who is less well off. The toys will go to some religious sisters who work with families who find it hard to make ends meet. They deliver parcels at Christmas time to these families and try to include a few toys. Please wrap up your gift in Christmas paper with a label that says Boy or Girl and the suggested suitable age. Gifts should be placed around the altar before Mass.



## OLI PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

After the huge success of our trip in October 2010, we have arranged another. Additional information can be found on the poster in the narthex and on the parish website – click on the link in the bottom right hand corner, or click on “Our Parish”. We will travel from 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012 on a full board basis staying 3 nights in Tiberius, 2 in Bethlehem and 2 in Jerusalem. Additionally, we will visit all of the main sights in these areas including The Church of the Nativity, Cana, Nazareth, the Holy Sepulchre, Mount of Beatitudes, and so on. We will celebrate Mass daily, and our pastoral leader will be Fr Anthony. The price is £1,200 each (based on 2 people sharing a room) and an additional £54 if you wish to take the tour operators travel insurance. We have a very small number of single rooms available at an additional cost of £258 which will only be allocated in specific circumstances. If you wish to secure a place (we have only 36 available and expect these to go quickly) please place a cheque in an envelope (and hand in at the presbytery) by way of a deposit for £250 per head (plus £54 for the insurance if you are taking it) (payable to Our Lady Immaculate) addressed to Andrew Richardson, enclosing inside the envelope your full postal address, telephone number, email (if you have one) for each pilgrim. I would expect the final monies to be payable in June 2012. Any queries, please call Andrew on 0208 3993 3466.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2012

If your son or daughter is in year 9 or above, then they are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year. The application form can be found on the parish website along with details of eligibility criteria ([www.olonline.co.uk](http://www.olonline.co.uk) then go to Sacraments, then Confirmation - please read the criteria before printing off the form at the bottom of the page). The closing date for application forms - **which must be signed at one of the Priest Signing Sessions-** (below) is **Saturday 17th December**. Any queries, please call Andrew Richardson on 02083993466. Dates for form signing (each session lasting one hour so please arrive in plenty of time) are Friday December 2nd at 7.30pm, Saturday Dec 3rd at 11am, Wednesday Dec 7th at 7.30pm, Thursday Dec 8th at 5pm, Tuesday Dec 13th at 7.30pm, and Saturday Dec 17th at 3pm. Additional information can be found on the application form itself.

## Southwark Catholic Directories

These are now available to buy in the repository (church shop). Cost £3.00.

## Appeal by Holy Cross Girls Next Weekend

We are students from the Holy Cross School and we are currently planning to take a trip in the Summer to Thailand to do voluntary work. We will be helping with a number of projects run by the Thai Children's Trust, working with and supporting the most needy children and young people in Thailand including orphans, children with HIV and AIDS, street and refugee children and children with disabilities. We aim to bring a donation as well to further enhance the good work already being done, to make day to day life for these vulnerable children a lot easier. Your generosity is much appreciated and please keep us and the Thai children in your prayers.

Come and join us for a special concert at Corpus Christi Primary School, Chestnut Grove on 10th December at 7.30pm. The young people of St Pius X church have arranged a special fundraising event featuring a young and exciting new singer, Ashley Fayth (see [www.ashleyfayth.com](http://www.ashleyfayth.com)) in aid of their new church hall. For only £8 on the door or telephone Rick on 07900204428 for tickets; price includes light refreshments and mulled wine

## COAT FOUND

A child's coat was left in the Old Chapel last weekend after the 9am Mass. It is blue with hearts on. Please let one of the priests know if it belongs to you.

**CHRISTMAS POSTERS AND CAR STICKERS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH TO DISPLAY IN YOUR WINDOWS.**

## Situation Vacant

Part time Centre Secretary required from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012, at the Centre for Catholic Formation in Tooting Bec. The person appointed should be a practising Catholic, with secretarial skills and I.T. experience. Responsibilities include welcoming of visitors, overseeing volunteers and collaborating as part of an active team. The role is varied, with some flexibility and generous holiday entitlement. The CCF is the agency for promot-

**PLEASE NOTE THAT NEXT WEEKEND THE LATEST ISSUE OF GRAPEVINE WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AFTER ALL MASSES. SUGGESTED DONATION £1.**