

St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY 2023

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

PSALTER WEEK 1

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SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS:

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 10.30-11.30

**HOLY ROSARY: FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
AFTER THE 10.00 MASS**

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

Prayer Group: in church on Thursdays 10.30-12.30
Contact: bridget@bridgetslattery.co.uk

Youth Club: Sunday 16.15-17.45 (Term Time Only)
Resumes this Sunday 8th January!

Please pray for those who have recently died, including Pope Emeritus Benedict (31.12), David O'Sullivan, Thomas O'Donohue, Mary Cumbo (100 years old!) Jo Inman (Teaching Assistant at Margaret Roper School) and Julie Curtis (past parishioner), *may they rest in peace*;

and please pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Hanora Rabbitte, Mary O'Connell, Helen Acaa, Mary Woodgate, Elsa Turner, Lady Nancy Ingham, Terence Garner, Geoffrey Dodwell, Kamal Padmasiri, Beryl Stracey, Brian Hollis, Joseph O'Donovan, Muriel Burtles.

also for those unwell: Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Brian McGill, Anne Brownsell, Patrick Sullivan, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Eileen Delaney, Douglas Johnston, Teresa Holmes, Ryan Baker, Michael Edwards, Vivienne Fernandes, Norma Stanes, Imelda McLoughlin, Neil Ockenden, Maria Valenti, Vanessa D'Souza, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter.

CONFIRMATIONS 2023

The Preparation programme for Year 8's will begin on Tuesday 14th March and will run for 11 weeks (except the Easter holidays) There will also be a Retreat Day.

The sessions will take place weekly on a Tuesday evening from 7-8pm in the parish hall.

The Confirmation Mass will be on SUNDAY 16th May at 3 p.m.

To apply, Please ask Canon John or Fr. David after Mass for an Application Form. Full details for applying will be clearly stated on the form. **We will only accept fully completed applications. Therefore they MUST be handed in to the parish office personally to be checked within office hours Monday - Friday 09.00-13.00. Alternatively on the evening of Tuesday 24th January between 6-7pm, Fr David will be available in the presbytery.**

You can **donate** to the parish [via our website](#), or make a direct bank transfer to the parish bank account:

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ACCOUNT No. 79116345 (60-50-01)



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First: Isaiah 49:3,5-6

Psalm: 39(40):2,4,7-10

Second: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Gospel: John 1:29-34

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 8th January

The Baptism of the Lord

18.00 (Sat) Kevin Whyte
RIP

08.30JFS Priest's Private Int

08:30 Holy Souls

10:00 Mrs Lily Sixtus RIP

12:00 Caryl Niblett RIP

18.00 All parishioners

NOT LIVE-STREAMED

ONE WEEKDAY MASS

Monday 9th January

10.00 Norman Luck RIP

12.15 Funeral:
David O'Sullivan RIP

Tuesday 10th January

10.00 Rena Brodley RIP

Wed. 11th January

10.00 Wellbeing Samantha
Czezowski (Brownsell)

Thursday 12th January

10.00 Dominic & Fr. Paul
Ryan RIP

Friday 13th January

10.00 Ann Leonard RIP

Saturday 14th January

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 Int. Maureen Daves &
family

Sunday 15th January

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

18.00 (Sat) In Thanksgiving
50th Wedding
Anniversary (Fawkes)

NO MASS AT JFS

08.30 Kamal Padmasiri RIP

10:00 In Thanksgiving
(George)

12.00 Int. Rowena Simon

18.00 All parishioners

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PARISH NEWS



REQUIEM MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Monday 9th January at 12.15 - David O'Sullivan RIP

Monday 23rd January at 12.30 - Tom O'Donohue RIP

Funeral Service

Thursday 2nd February at 11.45 - Mary Cumbo RIP

May they rest in peace

MASS TIMES: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE ONE WEEKDAY MASS AT 10.00 FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AND NO MASS AT THE JOHN FISHER CHAPEL ON SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY, WHILST CANON JOHN IS AWAY ON HIS POST-CHRISTMAS BREAK.

SUNDAY COFFEE: After the 10.00 Mass on Sunday coffee will be hosted by the St. Gerard's Group.

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC DIRECTORY 2023: Available to purchase from the parish office at the price of £4.50.

CAFOD: The church relies on people getting involved. Our church, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of the Church?

CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or by visiting local schools? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support are provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with Celeste and Sarah: southwark@cafod.org.uk and let's transform the world in 2023 together!

GETTING TO KNOW OUR INSPIRING SAINTS.'

Fr. Malachy at Sanderstead Parish is planning a PILGRIMAGE visiting places associated with St Teresa of Avila, St John of the Cross, St Ignatius Loyola and St Francis Xavier, in Northern Spain like Valladolid, Salamanca, Avila, Burgos, Loyola and Montserrat. Flights at very reasonable times from Gatwick to Madrid and Barcelona to Gatwick, Airport Duty, Passenger Taxes, 1 suitcase for aircraft hold of 20kgs, Coaches and Guides throughout, 4Star hotels. They depart on the 22nd April 2023 and return on the 29th April. Cost per person all inclusive (half-board) is £990. Please contact Fr Malachy for more information on 020 86571728 or E-mail, malachykeegan@rcaos.org.uk