# **NEWS AND VIEWS**

Sunday 9am Mass streaming link: You can also scan with the QR Code below. https://urlvn.net/mtroyx January: Sunday Masses will be streamed during 9am

Columban Mission Appeal 2024 will take place during this weekend Masses of 13th/14th January, the Columban Fathers will be present, please support their Mission.

Death: Kathy Kelly foundly called KK by family and friends alike, she wore a smile on her face always and she helped anyone she could. She will be sorely missed. Her funeral Mass is on Tuesday 16th January @ 12noon. Eternal rest grant onto her. May her soul rest in peace.

National Lottery Fund: Great news for us all to share, we applied for the lottery and we were granted £20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Pounds) to go toward our refurbishment of the 722 Holloway property. We were given the opportunity to applied for the Trinity Fund for the parish meeting room roof replacement, we have also been granted £8,000.00 (Eight Thousand Pounds) which is going towards offsetting some of the quoted amount. We thank the team that worked hard to put all the applications together. We will begin work as soon as practical and the parishioners will be carried along on each progress made. In the new year, the Fundraising team will be organising different activities to help us fundraise for our parish.

Prague/Poland in 25th-31st May 2024: Cost £870. including flight, lodging (sharing), breakfast and dinner. for 7 days. Please find the full details on the display glass board in the porch. (Updated Information)

Next instalment of 25% by March 5th 2024, Final instalment by April 5th 2024. Those who need visa to travel will sort it out by themselves; the tour company will provide hotel reservations to support visa application. Travel insurance will also be gotten by individuals for themselves.

**100 Club January draw:** The 1st prize of £190 went to no.32,  $2^{nd}$  prize of £76 to no. 74, prizes of £38 to nos.97, 45 & 62. £380 was raised for parish funds. The next draw is on Friday 2nd February after the 1st Friday Service. Subscriptions due in the weekend of 27th/28th January. New Member Welcome!

First Holy Communion dates: Jan. 7th, 21st, Feb. 4th, 11th, Sat. 24th @ 10am (First Reconciliation), 25th, Mar. 3rd, 17th, 24th, Apr. 14th, 28th, May. 5th, 12th, Sat. 18th @ 2.30pm, Jun. Sat. 1st @10am Rehearsal 1st Holy Communion 2nd June, 2024 @ 11.30am.

Christian Stewardship: 7th January 2024 Envelopes: £175.00 Loose: £372.47 Contactless: £93. We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support for our parish.

# **January Diary**

Weekend of 13th/14th January: Columban Missionaries Appeal Weekend.

Weekend of 27th/28th: Parish Project Collection

Saturday 27th: Baptism Preparation @ 10.30am (parents & godparents) followed by Baptism @ 12noon

Every Last Saturday of the month: **Baptism (always confirm in the parish office)** 

Every Saturday at 10.30am: Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions in the main Sacristy

Every Saturday evening after Mass: **Bingo in the meeting room** 

Every Tuesday after the noon Mass: Parish social forum in the Meeting Room

Every 1st Friday: 12 noon Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction followed by 100 Club in the Meeting Room 7.45pm Parish Quiz in the Meeting Room

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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



# Food For Thought

# Ephesian 2:8-9

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast."



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# +2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time B 14th January 2024



We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

# REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

On this second Sunday of Ordinary Time, we hear the voice of God louder, as always, inviting us to be his disciples. Today, the Holy Mother Church, reminds us that God's call is real and that, God knows and calls us personally by our names. Thus, she encourages us to respond effectively to this call with our body, soul and spirit. The Gospel of this Sunday presents us with the early ministry of Jesus. Testimonies about him continue especially from John the Baptist who has accomplished his mission. Today, he fulfilled his own prophecy: "I am not he who is to come...! Surely, he was not the messiah. So, he directs all true disciples to Christ: "Behold the Lamb of God!" Today's gospel challenges us to reflect on our response to God's call. As he said to his first disciples, so he says to us: "Come and see!" Andrew invited his brother Peter with the same words: "Come and see the messiah." Also, after encountering Christ, the Samaritan woman invited her people with the same word: "Come and see the Lord" (In 4, 29). These are invitations to follow Christ. Responding to this invitation is a daily affair that requires the whole of our being. Also, it requires us to help others to respond. God calls us by our names every day: "Ccome follow me; come and see." Therefore, like the psalmist our response should always: "Here I am Lord, I have come to do your will."

### Mass Times & Intentions

14th - 20th January 2024

Sat 13th Vigil Mass 6:30pm: Patricia Hart, Alan Mullee, Kathleen Kelly (RIP), Theresa, PJ & family, Ann & family, Christie & family, Susan & family, Margaret & family (INT)

Sun 14th 9:00am: Martin Goolsarran (RIP), Stan Connolly (21st), Charles & Chris Connel (ANN), Nsikan Udoh (Birthday), Amy Essien-Oku, Joyce McDaid (INT)

11:30am: Patricia Hart, Joe Brickley, Mary Slattery, Kevin Mullaney (RIP), Joyce McDaid, Margaret Parker, Mary Aherne, Bernie Shevlin (INT)

6:30pm: Patricia Essien-Oku & family, Joyce McDaid (INT)

Mon 15th 12 noon: Joyce McDaid (INT)

Tue 16th 12 noon: Funeral of Katherine Kelly

Wed 17th 12 noon: Thelma Monisse (RIP), Michael Patten, Sabina Mangan (ANN), Michelle McGlynn (Birthday), Margaret Togher (Get well) (INT)

Thur 18th 12 noon: Marie Molloy, Maria Solari (ANN)

Fri 19th St Wulstan 12 noon: People Of The Parish

Sat 20th St Fabian 12 noon: Anastasia Olowu (posthoumus) (RIP) Ella Humphreys (90th) (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnelly, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Mary Theresa Madigan, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Emo Essang, Madeleine Hourihan, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Gloria Munian, Teresa O'Dea, Percy Shackell, Ola Gam-Ikon, Private Intention, Eddy Renwick, Ralph Nwosuh, Gino Avanzi, Nicholas Stephens, Anastasia Nervais, Margaret Foley, Sr Joseph,

- 1. Replacing expired Church meeting room roof (Abbey Roofing) £17,900 + VAT- bal. £9,900. Trinity Fund £8,000 granted
- 2. Refurbishing 722 Holloway Road, Church reclaimed property (Ozzy Home Repairs Ltd) (20,000 paid in full by National Lottery Fund 3. New Security Gate around Parish Carpark/ Exit on Holloway Road (Harling Security Solutions) £25,522 + VAT
- Donations towards the projects would be highly appreciated. Donations so far received £31,488.69 Thanks.

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays 12noon Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm Monday Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

# **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most

# OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, GOSPEL John 1:35-42 calling as he had done before, 'Samuel!' Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 39)**

# R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me. He heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

R.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim. R. Instead, here am I.

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; You know it, O Lord.

### SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 6:13-15.17-20

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The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' - which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and staved with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

# PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pour on us, O Lord, the spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Mass	Readers	<b>Eucharist Minster</b>	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Joanna Hemingway	Debra	Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am	Rachel McGonigal	Innocent Teme	Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Ignatius Etukudoh	Roxanne & Mary	Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe
Sun. 6.30pm	Bridget O'Dea	Michelle C	Joe Ogbonna

# The Spiritual Communion Prayer (For Online Mass) ONLY

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

# THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise You,

We bless You, We adore you, We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, re-

> ceive our praver. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the

> I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

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- Minors MUST not go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- •There MUST be at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- •Vulnerable people **MUST** be accompanied in the Church.

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