

# NEWS AND VIEWS

**Sunday 11.30am Mass streaming link:** You can also scan with the QR Code below. <https://bit.ly/st-gabriel> Sunday Masses will be streamed during 11.30am



**Parish Charity Auction/Fundraising Event:** This event will take place on **Saturday 26th October at 6pm**. Since it is a parish event, **all other activities for that Saturday evening will be cancelled**. The **vigil Mass will be cancelled** as well to enable full participation from parishioners and priests of our community at the event. **Raffle and the Event tickets are on sale**. The **flyers** are out on display.

- Entry tickets are £20 a seat ( a drink and nibbles incl.)
- Children go free, but will be in a designated area downstairs of the venue. **See flyers on the doors in the church for more details.**

**1st Holy Communion sessions at 10.15am: October 13th, 27th, November 10th, 24th (Enrolment Mass at 11.30am)/ Children's Mass, December 1st, 8th, 15th.**

**RCIA 2025** is for adults who want to be fully received into the Catholic Church. The sessions will start from the **19th of October**. Please endeavour to fill up your forms and submit them in the Parish Office for documentation.

**Parish Pilgrimage 2025 proposals:** Looking ahead to our continued spiritual growth next year, we have started to plan for and consider options for pilgrimage abroad. The trip to Prague and Poland was a huge success judging by the feedback from the pilgrims who participated. We are working with a Diocesan approved agent who has provided us with the 2 proposed options to choose from as highlighted below. We have a short window to indicate our choices. A sheet will be placed at the back of the church this Sunday. The more supported of the 2 choices has to be confirmed by **18th Oct. 2024**. More details of each proposed itinerary will be pasted in the porch notice board. There is also a possibility to reduce the days, which in return can reduce the cost as well.

**Option 1:**  
**FATIMA** 20-24th October 2025.  
£960 per person, shared room. **OR**

**Option 2:**  
**ROME** 20th-24th November 2025  
£1320 per person, shared room.

**100 October draw:** The 1st prize of £190 went to no.57; 2nd prize of £76 to no.53; prizes of £38 to nos.61, 62 & 76. £380 was raised for parish funds. The next draw is on **Friday 1st November after the All Saints' Day Mass**. Subscriptions due in by the weekend of 26th/27th Oct. New Members Welcome!

**Christian Stewardship:** 6th October 2024

**Envelopes:** £201 **Loose:** £321.28 **Contactless:** £0.00 We also receive £700 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support for our parish.

## October Diary

Weekend of 19th/20th—**World Mission Sunday Collection**  
Saturday 26th at 6pm —**Parish Charity Auction/Fundraising Event**  
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**

## Important Diary Dates

- **October 26th** — Parish Charity Auction/Fundraising/Entertainment Evening.
- **Nov. 24th**— Children's Mass @ 11.30am
- **Dec. 13th @ 6.30pm** -Parish Carol Concert
- **Dec. 15th @ 11.30am** — Volunteers Mass
- **Dec. 17th @ 7pm**—Penitential service

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## Food For Thought

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



**"Stay close to anything that makes you glad to be alive."**

**"Live for the moments you can't put into words."**



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**+ 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time, Year B**  
*13th October 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.

## EXCERPT FROM THE PASTORAL LETTER ON ASSISTED SUICIDE

This Wednesday, 16/10/2024, a bill will be introduced to Parliament proposing a change in the law to permit assisted suicide. As this debate unfolds there are three points I would like to put before you. The first point is this: Be careful what you wish for. No doubt the bill put before Parliament will be carefully framed, providing clear and very limited circumstances in which it would become lawful to assist, directly and deliberately, in the ending of a person's life. But please remember, the evidence from every single country in which such a law has been passed is clear: that the circumstances in which the taking of a life is permitted are widened, making assisted suicide and medical killing, more available and accepted. In this country, assurances will be given that the proposed safeguards are firm and reliable. This proposed change in the law may be a source of relief to some. But it will bring great fear and trepidation to many. The second point is this: a right to die can become a duty to die. A law which prohibits an action is a clear deterrent. A law which permits an action changes attitudes: that which is permitted is often and easily encouraged. Once assisted suicide is approved by the law, a key protection of human life falls away. Pressure mounts on those who are nearing death, from others or even from themselves, to end their life in order to take away a perceived burden of care from their family, for the avoidance of pain, or for the sake of an inheritance. Part of this debate, then, must be the duty to enhance palliative care and hospice provision, so that there can genuinely be, for all of us. This is truly dying with dignity. Indeed, the radical change in the law now being proposed risks bringing about for all medical professionals a slow change from a duty to care to a duty to kill. The third point is being forgetful of God belittles our humanity. For people of faith in God - the vast majority of the population of the world - the truth is that life, is a gift of the Creator. Our life flows from God and will find its fulfilment in God. 'The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' (Job 1:21). As this debate unfolds, then, I ask you to play your part in it. Write to your MP. Have discussions with family, friends and colleagues. And pray. May God bless us all at this critical time. **Cardinal Vincent Nichols Archbishop of Westminster**

## Mass Times & Intentions

13th – 19th October 2024

**Sat 12th Vigil Mass 6:30pm:** Muriel & George Roberts, Mary McGovern, Miranda Avanzi (posthumus b'day) **RIP**  
**Sun 13th 9:00am:** John O'Sullivan, Miranda Avanzi, Lady Chinyere Oguike (**RIP**), Piroli family, Avanzi family, Private intention, Essien-Oku family (**INT**)  
**11:30am:** Mary McGovern, Ann Colbert, Rita Ronan, John O'Sullivan (**RIP**), Private Intention, Joanne Etukudoh (**INT**)  
**6:30pm:** Miranda Avanzi (**RIP**), Avanzi family (**INT**)  
**Mon 14th 12 noon:** Israel Kweku Amoah (**RIP**), Private intention (**INT**)  
**Tue 15th St Teresa of Jesus 12 noon:** Joanne Etukudoh, Carmel & Frank Corrigan, Beda Hunter, Private intention (**INT**)  
**Wed 16th 12 noon:** Eddie McCormack (8th) (**ANN**), Private intention (**INT**)  
**Thurs 17th St Ignatius of Antioch 12 noon:** People of the Parish  
**Fri 18th St Luke 12 noon:** Sr. Andrena, Iwona Szczypta, Private intention (**INT**)  
**Sat 19th 12 noon:** Essien Ekpenyong-Oku, Sr Margaret Healey, Private intention (**INT**)



Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Jarlet Fallon, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, 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, Eddy Renwick, Gino Avanzi, Nicholas Stephens, Anastasia Nervais, Margaret Foley, Sr Joseph, Prince Henshaw, Maureen Esspay, John Alan, Private Intentions. Rashmi, Joan Fitzgerald, Savindra de Alwis, Innocent Teme, Winston Fernando

## Parish Projects

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 **£36,201.83** Thanks.

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

**Parish Priests:** Fr. Moses Enechizena CSSp, Fr. Remigius Nduhuisi CSSp, Fr Isah Katuka CSSp, Fr Martin Goba CSSp  
**Parish Office Team:** Patricia Essien-Oku, Maureen Tayler, Mary Aherne, Joan FitzGerald, Jerrico Luna CSSp  
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**Confessions Sat.11am. 6pm, before Masses Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am**  
**Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays 12noon Prayer/Faith Group: Sat. 10am**  
**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

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

## OPENING PRAYER

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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.

## FIRST READING

Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than scepters and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89

R. **Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

Show pity to your servants.

R.

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune.

R.

Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.

R.

## SECOND READING Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can

judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.**

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings that through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

### Mass

Sat. 6.30pm  
Sun. 9.00am  
Sun. 11.30am  
Sun. 6.30pm

### Readers

Ann Heekin  
Paula Zanre  
Joseph Baffoe  
Eugenia Ackah

### Eucharist Minister

June G  
Olga Monpeke  
June & Mary A  
Roxanne C

### Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers  
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku  
Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe  
Joseph 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, receive our prayer.  
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 dead.  
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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