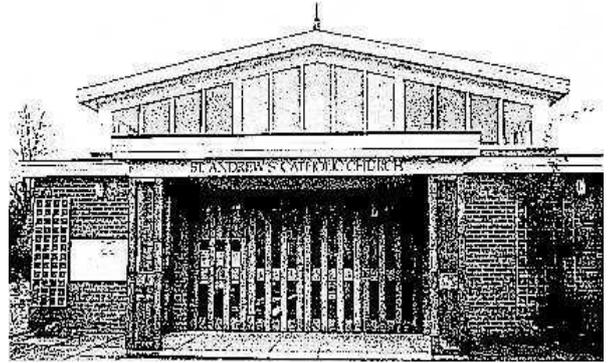

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25th November 2018 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B)

Message from Deacon Errol

From the Stable to King

This week is the final week of the liturgical year with the celebration of the feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Through the year, we have walked alongside the person of Christ and heard his good news proclaimed to us. We may have spent time pondering on this living presence of God in our midst and on his personal care of us. For some, it has been a roller-coaster, a test of faith or a mission that seem impossible. But we must take consolation in the Lord's goodness and trust in God's wisdom. Though Christ is misunderstood, yet, he understands us, knowing that we cannot make this journey and overcome sin on our own, so gave up his throne and his kingdom for us.

It is important to recognise that Jesus' Kingship is not like an earthly king. Earthly kings have to jealously guard their borders, protecting their power and taking pride in the wealth and strength of their territory. Christ Jesus on the other hand though all powerful, he identifies himself with the powerless: the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the sick and the less fortunate. This also includes the naked, the imprisoned, the prisoner and the voiceless.

So to be worthy of Jesus' kingdom, we must treat the least fortunate the way Jesus would treat them. We must reflect on and do as Jesus teaches in the Beatitudes. *Matthew 5: 1-12*. In this way we are showing to others we are true followers of Jesus.

We ask for the Lord's help on our earthly journey to be good citizens of his Kingdom. May we desire to walk in the way of justice, the way of peace, and the way of love.

This Sunday's Readings

Daniel 7:13-14

Psalm 92

Apocalypse 1:5-8

John 18:33-37

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed

**Rulers of the kings of the earth ... he made us a line of kings,
priests to serve his God**

It is you who say that I am a king

Diary for the Week

Sunday 25th November <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i> (B)	6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday	Patrick Tiernan RIP
	9.30am Mass	Mr & Mrs McCabe (Anniv)
	11.30am Mass (Mass parts in Latin)	November List
	5.00pm Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm Mass	Parishioners
Monday 26th November <i>Feria</i> Rev 14: 1-5 Lk 21:1-4	7.30am Mass	November List
	10.00am Mass	Veronica Braganza RIP (Anniv)
	5.45 – 7.15pm Beavers (hall)	
	7.00 - 8.00pm Parish Surgery	
	7.00 – 8.00pm Exposition and Adoration	
	7.30 – 9.00pm Scouts (hall)	
Tuesday 27th November <i>Feria</i> Rev 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11	7.30am Mass	Gill Patient RIP
	10.00am Mass	November List
	6.30pm R.C.I.C.	
	7.45pm R.C.I.A.	
Wednesday 28th November <i>Feria</i> Rev 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19	7.30am Mass	November List
	10.00am Mass	Tracey Taylor
	2.00pm Active Retirement Group	
	6.00pm Lectio Divina Group (hall)	
Thursday 29th November <i>Feria</i> Rev 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9. Lk 21:20-28	7.30am Mass	Our Lady of Africa
	10.00am Mass	November List
	7.00 – 8.30pm Cubs (St James the Great)	
	7.30pm Spirituality Talk (hall)	
Friday 30th November <i>St Andrew</i> Rev 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Lk 21:29-33	7.30am Mass	November List
	10.00am Mass	Jessica Mary Badu RIP (Anniv)
Saturday 1st December <i>Feria</i> Rev 22:1-7 Lk 21:34-36	9.30am Mass	Elyana De Souza (Birthday)
	10.00 – 10.30am Confessions	
	5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions	
Sunday 2nd December <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i> (C)	6.00pm First Mass of Sunday	Alphonsius & Mabel Scurry
	9.30am Mass	Joseph Kwame Baffoe RIP
	11.30am Mass	Jessica Mary Badu RIP (Anniv)
	5.00pm Rosary	
	5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction	
	6.00pm Mass	Parishioners
7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group		

Money Matters



Collection Last Sunday	£1,345.67 (£1.34 per person)
Payment by Standing Order	£ 761.00
Total offertory	£2,106.67
Second collection for Catholic Youth Work	
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

Altar Servers

This week Team 1
 Next week Team 2



Church Cleaners

This week Sancho's Dusters
 Next week St Jude's Group

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

FR DENIS OCAYA

Fr Denis is leaving us on Friday 30th November to return to Uganda. We would like to thank him for his time with us over the summer and to wish him a safe journey back home. Please keep him in your prayers. There will be a small celebration after the 9.30am Mass in the hall to say goodbye to him. Please join him for a farewell cup of tea or coffee!

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK

The collection this week will be for Catholic Youth Work. This collection is to support Youth Work in the Diocese and beyond, especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Service (SCYS).

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY MEETING

The group will be meeting today Sunday 25th November in the hall after the 11.30am Mass.

NOVEMBER PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

During the month of November we particularly pray for those who have died. A list of the deceased whose funerals took place here at St Andrew's will be displayed in the front of the Altar. Anyone who has a relative or friend who has died elsewhere in the last year should give in their names and date of death to the office or to one of the Priests and the name will be added to this list. Holy Souls envelopes are available in the porch for you to place your lists of deceased. These envelopes will be brought up during each Mass in the month of November.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

For those that missed the first meeting you can obtain a form from the Presbytery during the Parish Surgery on Monday 26th November. Please note that the closing date for applications is 2nd December.

STEWARDSHIP TALK: THURSDAY AT 7.30PM IN THE HALL

Please join us for our last Stewardship Talk on 29th November when Deacon Tony and Geraldine Daly are giving a talk on Adoration which will explain their experiences at the recent Adoramus conference.

TOY SUNDAY ON 9TH DECEMBER

Every year we collect toys to use as Christmas presents for disadvantaged children. Once again this year we are giving to St Anne's Community Centre in Vauxhall. Please can we ask you to bring in any toys to Masses on the weekend of 8th/9th December. The ages for the children are from 3 to 11 years. St Anne's would also be grateful for any wrapping paper but they do ask that you do not wrap the presents. Brian Murphy from St Anne's Community Centre will be here at the 9.30am Mass to talk about the work they do. We always have a great response and thank you in advance for your continued support.

FRIDAYS IN ADVENT

Please note that the early Mass on each of the Fridays in Advent is at **6.30am** and not at 7.30am. Tea/coffee and croissants provided after Mass in the hall.

PRAYER AFTER MASS

During Advent we are asking if people could be particularly aware of quiet in the Church after Mass, keeping our chatting to outside (or in the hall) to allow anyone who would like to spend a few minutes in quiet prayer and thanksgiving after Mass on Sundays.

400 CLUB WINNERS FOR NOVEMBER

Richard & Evelyn Palmer No: 012 - £20

Linda Lands No: 157 - £10

Marie de Souza No: 101 - £10

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: CONTACT DETAILS

Can all Eucharistic ministers please send their contact details (full name, email address and telephone number) to the following email address mc.saintandrewschurch@gmail.com. We need to update our records and it shall assist us in sending out any necessary information as we prepare for the masses – thank you.

A reminder also: Please can all Eucharistic Ministers let us know their availability for the Christmas period. Please can you send a note into the office with your availability – thank you.

ADVENT DAY BY DAY BOOKS

Please note that we also have the children's version of the Advent Day by Day books in addition to the normal adult ones, prices are £1 for the adult books and 50p for the children's books. Also we have parish diaries at 50p each in the Repository.

FEAST OF EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

St Andrew's is celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany (or the Feast of the Three Kings as it is known in some countries) on Saturday 5th January at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. We will have a curry meal followed by ice cream with pizza/hot dogs for children under the age of 10 where required and a non-curry option for anyone one who would prefer this. Adults will be greeted with a glass of mulled apple cider on arrival. There is a licensed bar and raffle on the evening. Tickets are £6.00 for adults and £3.00 for children under the age of 10 and will be on sale at weekend Masses from Saturday 1st December. Raffle tickets will also be on sale at the same time.

Czy jesteś z Polski? Você é Português? Esti Din Romana? Ste zo Slovenska? Ar tu iš Lietuvos? Vagy Magyarországról?

You are invited to join us for our International Carol Service on Saturday 8th December at 7.00pm. All our groups representing our diverse parish are invited to come forward and sing a carol in their national language on the evening as part of our Christmas celebrations. We also plan to have a get together afterwards and hope that you can make a national dish of your choice that we can all share – please can you bring any food to the hall before the start of the service and also supply us with a list of ingredients. Please speak with Fr Len or Maureen Jones, on 020 8239 061, if you think your group can sing on the evening. We look forward to hearing from you.

RAINBOW LEADER AND VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

We urgently need to recruit a new Rainbow Leader and volunteers to join from Christmas time for our 1st Thornton Heath Rainbows. If you can help in any way please do get in touch otherwise regrettably the unit will have to close. All enquiries should be directed to Susie Rogers srodgers.guiding@gmail.com.

ST JAMES THE GREAT SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE

You are all invited to the school's Christmas Fayre on 2nd December from 11 - 3pm. There will be lots of food, drinks and lots and lots of festive stalls, adults £1.

FEAST OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER AT ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Our Thornton Heath Goans cordially invite you to their 46th anniversary of the feast of St Francis Xavier at St Andrew's Church on Saturday, 1st December commencing with Mass at 6.00pm followed by a social in the church hall. Tickets: adults £12 and children £5 (5 years to 14 years) which includes snacks and meal. Contact Vanessa 020 8771 9817, Perpetua 07595302856 or Jennifer/Cyril 07712273024. Music by String-a-long, raffles/surprises etc.

TAKE SOME TIME TO REFLECT THIS ADVENT

So often in our fast paced world we find ourselves run off our feet and exhausted by the frantic build up to Christmas and we completely lose this special time to take stock and renew our relationship with God. To help make some space and focus on the development of this most precious relationship, the Diocesan Stewardship Team have once again produced a handy daily email to enable reflection. The focus will be on the readings for each Sunday in Advent. Every day there will be a different reflection; so each week, Monday and Tuesday will focus on the First reading, Wednesday on the Psalm, Thursday and Friday on the Second reading and Saturday and Sunday on the Gospel. The brief reflection will be sent directly to your inbox to make it as easy as possible to take a little time out each day. So wherever you are, and whatever time you can invest in your personal Advent preparation – you will have the resources to hand! To receive your daily reflection – simply sign up at: <http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/>

Quote of the Week

“The world tells us to seek success, power and money; God tells us to seek humility, service and love.”

Pope Francis



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