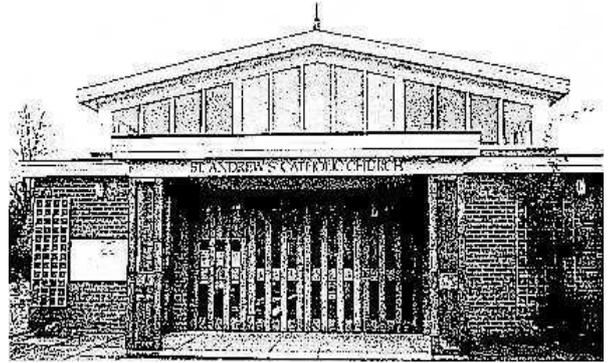

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH – THORNTON HEATH

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Welcome to St Andrew's RC Church. Worship has been offered here since 1905. You are all very welcome to join in the hymns and other parts of the service as much as possible. Please switch mobile phones off and refrain from taking photographs, filming or recording.

10th November 2019 32nd Sunday of the Year (C) Remembrance Sunday

Message from Fr Francis

COMMUNION OF SAINTS

The article of faith 'Communion of Saints' was first found in the Apostles' Creed. It was understood as our participation in the blessings of salvation and the fellowship of God's holy people. More recently, the term came to apply principally to the exchange of graces and blessings between individuals here on earth and the saints in heaven and the souls in purgatory – The Church militant, triumphant, and suffering respectively.

The fundamental biblical and theological meaning of the 'Communion of Saints' is that the Church is, first and foremost, a communion, a fellowship called by the Father, in Christ, through the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:13). The 'Communion of Saints' means that the Church is a communion of disciples who have been transformed by the grace of Christ. This communion is not broken by death. "For all who belong to Christ, having His Spirit, form one Church and cleave together in Him" (Ephesians 4:16). Therefore the union of the pilgrims with the brothers and sisters who have gone to sleep in the peace of Christ is not in the least interrupted" (*Lumen Gentium* no. 49).

The 'Communion of Saints' is the Church. What is the Church if not the assembly of all the saints? Therefore, the term 'Communion of Saints' has two closely linked meanings: communion 'in holy things, and 'among holy persons' (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 948). We believe in the communion of all the faithful in Christ, those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together forming one Church; and we believe that in this communion, the merciful love of God and His saints is always [attentive] to our prayers (CCC 962). With faith let us join in the prayer of communion in this month because Our Lord is God, not of the dead, but for the living; for to Him all people are alive (Luke 20:38).

This Sunday's Readings	
2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14	The King of the world will raise us up to live again for ever
Psalms 16	I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory,
	O Lord
2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5	May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you
	do or say
Luke 20:27-38	He is God, not of the dead, but of the living

Diary for the Week

<p>Sunday 10th November 32nd Sunday of the Year</p> <p><i>Remembrance Sunday</i></p>	<p>6.00pm (Saturday) First Mass of Sunday 9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 5.00pm Rosary 5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</p>	<p>Glenda McGrath RIP November List For the War Dead</p> <p>The Keetley Mel Cann Family</p>
<p>Monday 11th November <i>Saint Martin of Tours</i> <i>Wisdom 1:1-7</i> <i>Luke 17:1-6</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 5.45 – 7.15pm Beavers (hall) 7.00 - 8.00pm Parish Surgery 7.00 – 8.00pm Family Holy Hour 7.30 – 9.00pm Scouts (hall)</p>	<p>November List Dorothy Gomes RIP (Anniv)</p>
<p>Tuesday 12th November <i>Saint Josaphat. Wisdom 2:23-3:9, Luke 17:7-10</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 6.30pm R.C.I.C.</p>	<p>November List Jessica Mary Badu RIP</p>
<p>Wednesday 13th November <i>Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini</i> <i>Wisdom 6:1-11</i> <i>Luke 17:11-19</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 2.00pm Active Retirement Group 6.00pm Lectio Divina Group (hall) 7.15pm First Holy Communion: Parents meeting (hall) 7.30pm Legion of Mary (EA room)</p>	<p>November List Ganston & Lourdes Leung RIP</p>
<p>Thursday 14th November <i>Feria</i> <i>Wisdom 7:22-8:1</i> <i>Luke 17:20-25</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 7.00 – 8.30pm Cubs (St James the Great)</p>	<p>Deceased members of Moloney Family November List</p>
<p>Friday 15th November <i>Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Wisdom 13:1-9</i> <i>Luke 17:26-37</i></p>	<p>7.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 6.30pm Brownies/Guides (hall) 7.00pm Liturgy Meeting</p>	<p>Ify Ezike (Birthday) Matthew Coutinho RIP</p>
<p>Saturday 16th November <i>Saint Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop</i> <i>Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9</i> <i>Luke 18:1-8</i></p>	<p>9.30am Mass 10.00am Rosary 10.00 – 10.30am Confessions 10.15am Friends of the Holy Family (hall) 5.00 – 5.30pm Confessions 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday</p>	<p>November List</p> <p>Sheridan Family</p>
<p>Sunday 17th November 33rd Sunday of the Year</p>	<p>9.30am Mass 11.30am Mass 3.30pm Confirmation Catechists Mtg 5.00pm Rosary 5.15 – 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction 6.00pm Mass 7.00 - 9.00pm Charismatic Prayer Group</p>	<p>Francis John Hampshire RIP November List</p> <p>Parishioners</p>

Money Matters

Collection Last Sunday	£1,196.72
Payment by Standing Order	<u>£ 700.00</u>
Total offertory	£1,896.72
Collection for The Seminary Fund	£ 251.93
Collection for The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers)	£1,079.88
Second collection for the Archbishop's Administration Fund	

Thank you for your generosity

Altar Servers

This week Team 3
Next week Team 1



Church Cleaners

This week Judie's Crew
Next week Fifi's Group

St. Andrew's Parish Notices

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection will be for the Archbishop's Fund for Diocesan Administration. This collection helps to meet the cost of the central administration of the diocese.

FAMILY HOLY HOUR

Children, families and parishioners are invited to come and join us to pray for peace in our hearts, our homes, our families and the whole world. Please join us on Monday 11th November from 7 – 8.00pm in the Church.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN (R.C.I.C.)

The next session will be on Tuesday 12th November at 6.30pm in the hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a meeting for parents of children aged 7-8 (school year 3) who want their child/children to make their First Holy Communion next year on Wednesday 13th November starting at 7.15pm in the Church hall. Those whose child/children are in school year four and who missed making their First Holy Communion last year are also welcome to attend. We will be outlining the requirements for the programme and asking that you complete a form in order to register your child/children so we can order the books for when the sessions start in January.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Everyone is invited to a power-point presentation which will be shown as a visual aid to pray the Rosary and there will also be a short children's DVD on saints on Saturday 16th November starting at 10.15am to 11.30am in the hall.

GHANAIAN COMMUNITY MEETING

The group will be meeting on Sunday 17th November after the 11.30am Mass in the hall.

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, please put the list of names in the envelope together with your offering and put in the collection trays during Mass. These envelopes will be brought up during each Mass in the month of November. On Saturday 23rd November at 9.30am we will hold our annual Mass for those who have died in the last year. We will try to invite relatives of those whose funerals took place here in the last year and hope that any parishioner who has had a death in the family in the last year will also come. We hope you will be able to attend.

ST ANDREW'S NIGHT

This year's St Andrew's celebration will be held on Saturday 30th November, in the Church hall at 7.30 - 10.30pm. The ever popular Gary Glenn will be entertaining us. We will have a licenced bar and raffle. Tickets will be sold in advance only after all Masses outside the Church. Prices £10 for adults and £5 for children which includes a 2 course meal. Please telephone 020 8684 4648 for more information.

FR LEN

Fr Len will return to St Andrew's for his Leaving Mass on Saturday 23rd November for the 6.00pm Mass followed by some light refreshments in the hall. In the meantime, if you would like to contribute to a leaving gift for Fr Len, please use the envelope in the porch for this.

ST ANDREW'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTIES

St Andrew's Children's Christmas Parties will be on Saturday 21st December. There will be two parties. The first one will be at 11am to 1pm for children aged babies up to 7 years old and at 2 to 4pm for children in Junior school. All children are welcome. Parents will have to stay with their children at both parties. Tickets cost £5 and this will include a visit to Santa's Grotto, a tea party and lots of games and lovely arts and crafts to make and take home.

Tickets are available after the 9.30am Mass in the hall this Sunday. Please contact Bernadette on 07729322571 for further details. They also need parents to help with the party - please let Bernadette know if you can help.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The collection will be for Pact (Prison Advice and Care Trust), the national Catholic charity supporting prisoners, people with convictions, defendants and their families. It provides an important opportunity to reflect on how we as a community can make a difference to the lives of those who are affected by the criminal justice system. Thank you for your help.

A DAY WITH JESUS

You are invited to the 'A Day with Jesus' Ministry being held here at St Andrew's Church on every fourth Saturday of every month from 12 – 4.00pm, the next one will be on 23rd November. Please check the notice board for the full programme details and contacts for further information.

THE REPOSITORY

Our Christmas stock is already in so please visit early to make your purchases to avoid disappointment.

THE ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed each weekday after the 10am Mass (and Saturday 9.30am). After Mass and after a few minutes of silence the Rosary will be prayed and then, after a short pause, other devotional prayers will be prayed. All are welcome to join however long you can stay – there is no formal membership, just a desire to pray the Rosary.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S FEAST

St Francis Xavier's feast is being celebrated in aid of St Andrew's Church 50/50 project this year on the 7th of December. Tickets priced at £12 for adults, £6 for children and includes a four course hot meal and cake. There will also be a licensed bar, music, raffles, games and spot prizes. St Francis Xavier's feast has been enthusiastically celebrated at St Andrew's Church since the first Goans came to our parish from Africa and this year we are marking the 47th anniversary of the feast celebrations. For further details or if anyone would like to participate in the further planning of the event please contact Jennifer/Cyril Da Silva on 07712 273024.

ST PHILOMENA'S OLD GIRLS ASSOCIATION

The Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members of St. Philomena's Old Girls Association will be offered on Sunday 17th November at 11am at Holy Cross Church, North Street, Carshalton, SM6 2JD. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall afterwards. Parking is available in Denmark Road - Council Car park.

Quote of the Week

“For it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead
that they may be loosed from their sins”

2 Maccabees 12:45

Contact Numbers

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