

Our Lady of the Angels

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First Sunday of Advent Year (C)

2nd December 2018



SUNDAY'S READINGS:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

2nd Reading: St Paul 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28. 34-36

Responsorial Psalm: ~To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.



Friary News – Br. Carlos

We say goodbye to Br. Carlos as he returns to Rome and then Peru where he will continue his studies. We thank him for all his work in the Parish during his time with us.

Peru Orphanage

We have had a message from Br. Roberto the Director of the Peru Orphanage thanking us for the donation of £3867 which was sent recently and had been collected through the year. He sent us a photo, which is on the noticeboard of the boys in their new football shirts, they were delighted to be invited to attend the FIFA World Cup. Thank you for your generosity.

Peter Kilner RIP and Jane Ambros RIP

Please keep in your prayers Peter Kilner and Jane Ambros long time parishioners who have died recently. Peter's funeral will be held at 12 noon on Thursday 6th December and Jane's funeral is on 14th December at Please keep their families in your prayers. May they rest in peace.

PREPARE FOR ADVENT Who was Mary of Nazareth? The Catholic Faith Exploration (CaFE) programme continues 'LET IT BE DONE UNTO ME ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD.' TUESDAY EVENINGS on 4th and 11th December in the Angelus Centre at 7.30pm. All are welcome.



OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE - VOLUNTEERS, HELPERS, THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED GOODS AND ALL WHO TURNED UP.

We made a profit of £4492. Well done everyone!!

A list of prize winners is located on the noticeboard at the back of the church

There will be a thank you SOIREE for all the Christmas Bazaar helpers on 5th January after 5.30 p. m. Mass.

Christmas Tree Stars As we approach the Christmas Season and we start planning the Christmas decoration of the Church and organising the Christmas trees, we offer again, for a donation of £5 a star to be put on Christmas trees in memory of a loved one. Mass will be said for all those whose names are on the trees on Christmas Day. Please complete the form at the bottom and return it with your donation to the Parish office.

CHRISTMAS TREE STAR

**Name of person to be remembered.....
(Block capitals)**

Name of donor: Tel. No.

Carols by Firelight - Wednesday 12 December - 7pm, Friary Garden



Please join us for Christmas Carols around a real campfire! We'll sing some traditional carols and a few new ones, accompanied by acoustic guitars. This is a lovely way to embrace the spirit of the Christmas season. An event for all the family - we'll have hot drinks and mince pies. The carol sheet is available to download from our website (www.olaerith.org.uk). Your phone's screen will help you read in the dark. We will have printed copies also - but bring a torch! Please dress for the weather & bring umbrellas. Entrance is only by the Friary Gate in Carlton Road. Carols will start promptly at 7.30pm and will last an hour or so - gate will open at 7pm. If rain is biblical - we'll move it indoors so put the date firmly in your diary!

Bexley Winter Shelter - Volunteers required

Thank you to all the parishioners who have already signed up to help at the rough sleepers shelter. We urgently need more volunteers to cover the overnight shift at the Angelus Centre (10.15 Sunday evening to 6.15 Monday morning). The more people who sign up the less frequent you would be asked to attend. If you missed the training sessions it is not too late! To help with the Evening, Night or Morning shifts either at Our of the Angels or at another venue please contact Eileen, the Volunteer's Administrator, bws.vol@gmail.com or 07907088546 or for more information call Jack Merrifield on 07920741517.

First Friday 7th December – a day of prayer for the Parish The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 9.00 a.m. Mass till 2.00 p.m. Healing Mass will be at 2.00 p.m. with anointing of the sick followed by Exposition until 9.00 p.m. All our welcome. There is a box for your Friday Petitions at the back of the church.

School form signing Br Martin will be signing school forms on the following dates in the Angelus Centre. Please note the signing on 14th December at **10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m** has been cancelled because of a funeral.

5th December 6.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.

14th December. and 2.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.

Take some time to reflect this Advent - Advent is a very special season of the year – and yet it can sometimes pass us by, because we're so busy preparing for Christmas. For the past couple of years, our diocesan Spirituality Commission has produced a series of short daily emails, to help us focus on the true meaning of Advent. These have been very well received, so we would like to make more people aware of them. To sign up, please visit www.southwarkdsc.org.uk

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Please collect your new rotas from the Sacristy.

Baptism Preparation The Baptism Preparation talk is this Sunday 2nd December at 3.00 p.m. in the Angelus Centre. Please note that parents of the child to be baptised must be registered in the parish of Our Lady of the Angels and be regular worshippers.

New Years Eve Mass 31st December 2018 there will be a Mass to celebrate the New Year starting at 11.30 p.m.

Sunday 2nd December 2018 First Sunday of Advent Year C

5.30 p.m. (Sat)	Barry Pomerett	
8.30 a.m.	Elizabeth Stoneham RIP	<i>Coffee Morning</i>
10.30 a.m.	Helen Das RIP Elizabeth Stockage	<i>Coffee Morning</i>
12.30 p.m.	Kazimierz Capiga RIP	<i>Polish Mass</i>
6.00 p.m.	Parishioners	

Monday 3rd *St Francis Xavier*

9.00 a.m.	Liz Newitt Steve Eames
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Tuesday 4th	St Anthony Novena Wk 3	<i>Feria</i>
9.00 a.m.	Mary's Intentions Annette Monaghan RIP	<i>Coffee Morning</i>

Wednesday 5th *Feria*

9.00 a.m.	John Gerney RIP & Ann Carol Nevert Manjonjori RIP	
10.30 a.m.	Mary Burgess RIP	<i>Requiem Mass</i>

Thursday 6th *St Nicholas*

9.00 a.m.	Thora Jean Salt Linda Daniel	
12 noon	Peter Kilner RIP	<i>Requiem Mass</i>

Friday 7th *St Ambrose*

9.00 a.m.	Holy Souls Brenda Welch
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Saturday 8th *Immaculate Conception of Our Lady*

10.30 a.m.	Connie Fernandes Birthday P J Barrett RIP
5.30 p.m.	Allen Bould RIP

Parish Safeguarding Officer : Mrs. Mary World - Tel. No. 07958 529920**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 11.00 - 12 noon & 4.45-5.15.p.m.

Sunday 12 noon to 12.30 p.m.

Or anytime on request at the Friary

LITTLE CHURCH GROUP (Next Sunday): - G**Collection: Total: £2126.66 Gift Aid: £1017.52 Cash: £1109.14****2nd Collection for Catholic Youth Services: £324.46**

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick: Rose & John Wright, Christine Wall, Muriel Puckette, Br Raymund Hewlett, Mary Wallace, Anne Goodrich, Thomas Furlong, Cath & Bob Morris, Maureen Khodja, Terry Tame, Desmond Mascarenhas, Maura Loftus, Mr & Mrs Mee, Shirley Smith, Maria Deehy, Juliana Onifade, Beryl Swatton, Michael Gilmer, Twinkle Ebegbu, Alison Banyard, Paul Harris, Caroline Breen, Theresa Hodson and Carol Jones.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS - PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS IN THE CHURCH AFTER MASS ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH OR BRING TO THE FRIARY AT ANYTIME.