

St Simon † St Jude

Roman Catholic Church Streatham Hill

Sunday 28th November, 2010 [Year A]

First Sunday of Advent

Remembering especially the work of our Cathedral

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

Please join in with the words below in bold.
You can also follow the prayers of the Mass
in the laminated guide at each seat.

Hymn no. **120 All over the world**

Entrance Antiphon: **To you, my God, I lift my soul, I trust in you; let me never come to shame. Do not let my enemies laugh at me. No one who waits for you is ever put to shame.**

During Advent there is no Gloria

A reading from the prophet Isaiah [2:1-5] *The Lord gathers all nations together into the eternal peace of God's kingdom.*

Responsorial Psalm [121]

**I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house'.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans [13:11-14]
Our salvation is near.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! [2x at 10.30 Mass]

**Let us see, O Lord your mercy
and give us your saving help.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew [24:37-44]
Stay awake that you may be ready.

At the preparation of the altar and gifts:
Hymn **94 Abba, Father**

Communion antiphon: **The Lord will shower his gifts,
and our land will yield its fruit.**

After Communion the Second Collection is for **the
Maintenance of St. George's Cathedral** during the
collection: Hymn **197 Christ is made the sure foundation**

Closing hymn: **202 Colours of day**

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00pm	Norman Gonzy RIP
Sunday	10.30am	Peter Boyle RIP (3 rd anniv.)
	12.15pm	Mrs T. Valle RIP
Monday	9.00am	Pauline Knott RIP
Tuesday	9.00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	9.00am	Donal Maher RIP
Thursday	None	The church is closed today
Friday	9.00am	Morning Prayer & Rosary
	<i>Next weekend</i>	<i>Next Saturday & Sunday</i>
Saturday	6.00pm	For the people of the Parish
Sunday	10.30am	Colin Drysdale RIP
	12.15pm	Rosaleen Browne RIP

**Please join us for Exposition after Mass on Monday
with Rosary and Benediction at noon.**

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Weekend Mass:

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 10.30am & 12.15pm

Weekday Mass:

Morning Prayer at 9.00am with Mass at 9.15 am,
but please check the Mass Intention List for details.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays after Mass from 9.45am ending with
Rosary, Benediction and St Jude Novena at noon.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.30 – 5.55 pm and by arrangement.

Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement

Please phone Fr Adrian to make an appointment.

Collections

Thank you, for our collections last week, we raised
£508.07 for the running of the parish and
£247.28 for the Catholic Youth Service
*These sums include monies given in **Gift Aid**
envelopes. Our thanks also go to those who donate
by Banker's Order direct into the parish account.*

Prepare the Way...

As we begin the season of Advent you'll notice a few changes that highlight a change of pace in our liturgy; the easiest to spot perhaps is the purple linen, the Advent candles, the Magi on their journey to Christ and the tree on our sanctuary; however, at this stage it is not a Christmas tree. The word "Advent" means "coming". It refers to the coming of Jesus, the promised Messiah and our time of preparation as we await his return and commemorate his birth. Until Christmas the tree stands as a symbol of this time of preparation and, through the use of picture decorations, helps tell the story of God's love and care for us throughout history, to the point of sending his Son into the world to live, die and rise again for us.

The Nativity celebrates the coming of the King of kings and **our tree is called a Jesse Tree after the Bible passage in Isaiah 11:1, "A shoot will come up from the stock of Jesse; from his roots a branch will bear fruit."** Jesse was the father of King David, so our tree represents the 'family tree' of Jesus: in the first chapter of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus, the Messiah (the anointed King of kings), is traced from the line of king David, and back to Abraham, our forefather in faith. The use of a Jesse Tree during the Advent season is a great way to remind us of the Bible stories that lead us to Jesus and over the coming month we will look at the different symbols that represent these Bible figures.

So as not to break the Advent story in our Little Church, please note that although next week is a first Sunday of the month, Little Church will be held that Sunday. Will parents please remember to sign the register each week and be seated in the front rows of the church to process down to the Hall, thank you.
With my prayers, as ever, God bless, *Fr Adrian*

PARISH MINISTRIES:

LITTLE CHURCH

05 Dec	Adeniji family	12 Dec	Breslin family
19 Dec	Andre family	26 Dec	Bernard family
02 Jan	Children's Mass	09 Jan	Children's Mass

[Hall key-holders: Evans, Hudspeth & Karim Families]

HOLY COMMUNION 6pm 10.30am 12.15am

05 Dec	E. O'Keefe M. O'Keefe	B. Monk S. Smith D. Abebrese	E. Maria R. Maria
12 Dec	M. Esmonde K. Maher	T. Donoghue N. Kalimira E. Karim	T. Ofogu R. Green
19 Dec	M. Gonzy P. Hutchinson	D. Karim B. Monk S. Smith	J. La'val E. Maria

COORDINATORS – READERS: D Abebrese **MUSIC:** L. Clarke

FLOWERS:

04 Dec	T. Dempsey, O. Adelekan, T. Donoghue (no flowers)		
11 Dec	S. Hayes, M-M. Ovonlen C. Baker (Gaudete Sunday)		
18 Dec	R. Ebite, E. Karim, J. McDonagh, M. Ellis (no flowers)		
22 Dec	10am all available teams to help please		

REFRESHMENTS (SUNDAY AFTER 10.30 MASS)

05 Dec	Grant & Abebrese Families
12 Dec	D. Feasey & D. Van Spall
19 Dec	Murphy Family
26 Dec	S. Herbert & L. Clark
02 Jan	M. & A. Knoop & S. Hayes
09 Jan	F. Campbell, O. Adelekan & J. Adediji
16 Jan	Karim Family

Please note: If you are unable to make a particular Sunday please exchange with another group so that we can continue to offer refreshments after the Family Mass. Thank you.

CHURCH CLEANING

Will everyone who's able to help clean please stay behind after the Tuesday morning Mass. Thank you.

COLLECTION COUNTERS

28 Nov	R. Ebite, B. Kealy – including the collection boxes
05 Dec	A. Abel, J. Sullivan
12 Dec	P. Hutchinson, M. Gonzy
19 Dec	K Gernon, L. Ungaretti
26 Dec	R. Ebite, B. Kealy – including the collection boxes

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline advice 0800 1111

Local Advisor: Teresa Dempsey 020 8670 7565

Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7960 2504

SACRISTANS M. Abreu, R. Green, P. Hutchinson, K Gernon & L Ungaretti

GIFT AID J Fraser, R Ebite, M Gonzy

WEBSITE A. Agbueze, B. Chivers, T. Duffy, M. Knoop, J. Kyaluzi, S. McCorry

READERS

05 Dec	Isaiah 11:1-10	Psalm 71
Advent 2	Romans 15:4-9	Matthew 3:1-12
Paula Wynne : Feasey Family : Lydia Ungaretti		
12 Dec	Isaiah 35:1-6.10	Psalm 145
Advent 3	James 5:7-10	Matthew 11:2-11
Campbell Family: Dias-Hudspeth family : Chris Watts		
19 Dec	Isaiah 7:10-14	Psalm 23
Advent 4	Romans 1:1-7	Matthew 1:18-24
John Burbage: Abebrese Family : Alan Quinn		
26 Dec	Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6ff	Psalm 127
Holy Family	Colossians 3:12-21	Matthew 2:13-15.19-23
John Fraser: Bernard Family : Lydia Ungaretti		
02 Jan	Isaiah 60:1-6	Psalm 71
Epiphany	Ephesians 3:2ff	Matthew 2:1-12
Paul Hutchinson : Van Spall Family : Chris Watts		
09 Jan	Isaiah 42:1ff	Psalm 28
Baptism of the Lord	Acts 10:34-38	Matthew 3:13-17
Paula Wynne: Malusa Kilonda : Alan Quinn		

A Prayer for our Cathedral

Lord Jesus Christ, we ask you to make us aware of your presence at the heart of our Cathedral, the mother church and liturgical centre of God's people in the Archdiocese of Southwark. You are always near us as we seek your friendship. Draw us to you, whether we are alone or with others. Deepen our desire to be more closely united with you. May we find the peace and wisdom of God as we stand united in prayer with all our sisters and brothers and know the courage of St George to stand firm in our faith so that we may always shine out with the light of your love in our witness to others in your most holy name. Amen.

News this week: **On Saturday 18 December** we are having a **party in our Parish Hall from 7-10pm** as a celebration of all the ways we are gifted by God and help share those gifts in the Church. Please keep the date free and join us after the Vigil Mass on 18 December in the Parish Hall.

As part of our prayers for all the sick we have been praying particularly for a happy and holy death for Edmund Malkowski who has been terminally ill for some time. Fr Adrian was with Edmund before he died to pray with him and administer the Sacrament of the Sick (often known as the last rites) and, now he has gone to the Lord to be reunited with his wife Elizabeth, we pray for the eternal repose of his soul. We pray too for his family and friends and offer our deepest sympathies and prayers. **Edmund's requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 10 December at 9.30am.** Sadly, Christine McDonagh, a former parishioner has also died. She and her husband were volunteers in our Parish in Fr Rowe's time and though ill-health brought a move away to a nursing home in Thornton Heath, their contribution here is not forgotten. **Christine's requiem will be celebrated here at 9.30am on Monday 6 December** and we offer our prayers and sympathies for Chris, her son, at this difficult time.

All are invited to a Mass here at Noon on Tuesday 7 December for the deceased clergy and parish members of our local Deanery.

Thank you, as always, for your contributions to the Parish collections. **Our second collection next week goes to our Parish Maintenance Fund.** Please remember if you contribute via the Gift Aid scheme to use the envelopes provided at the entrance to the church. To help plan your giving please take enough envelopes home for the month so that you can complete the details of the envelope beforehand and bring them with you to church.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Please remember that there is a file in the porch where you can request prayers for those in need: the sick and housebound are very much at the heart of the church and support us in their prayers as we do them.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH COLLECTION

Please give what you can to the parish collections each week, as more money is spent in the upkeep of the church than we receive. If you can, please give upwards of one hour of your weekly income and please consider if you're able to help join one of the parish groups, e.g. counters, cleaners, refreshment team, etc. If you are a UK tax payer please also consider setting up a Gift Aid payment direct to the church bank account. Thank you for your generosity.