

FEASTS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday: St Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday: St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

PARISH DIARY

Monday 3.30pm First Holy Communion class
Tuesday 8.00pm: Parish Prayer Group

OFFERINGS

First collection	Gift Aid	£430.96	Loose	£304.29
Retiring Collection	Gift Aid	£111.19	Loose	£181.99

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Grace Gibbs, Simon Leo, Paul & June McMahon, Michael Boyle, Eileen Hurley, Elizabeth O'Daley, Ellen Basci, Joan Gallagher, Kay Kennedy, Stephane Patten, John Sewter, Ryan Morison, Kay Williams, Keith Fraser, Ronnie Xavier, Marie Elsey, Christopher Browne, Mary Wallace, Rosa Vitolo, Elsie Malone, Anna O'Brien and Brian Towler.

ANNIVERSARIES

James Wiseman, Annie Varney, Frank Staffieri, Bernard Connellan, Lauren Eve O'Connor, Marie Avery, Madeleine Plantin, Margaret Kelly, Edith Stimson, Ellen Metcalf, Mary Braby, William Howson, William McBride, Derrick Wright, Kitty Shier, Fr. Eugene O'Sullivan, Fr. Donagh O'Brien, Josephine Heaney, Edgar Thomas, Cynthia Marsh, Elizabeth Ryan, Mary Sheehy, Walter Joseph O'Sullivan, Bridget Ryan, Anita Galiano, Anne Slaughter, Brian Talbot, Marco Saiz, Sister Ambrosine, Honora Browne, Robert Dean, Margaret Prosser, Alice Bays, John Curtin, Baby Felix James Olney, Vincent Thomas McCall, Daniel Liddy, Annie Conway, Elizabeth Dorsett, Francis Mahony, Mary Anne Hubble, Frances Farr, Edna Johnson, James Jones, Anne Teresa Carbury, Ernestine Hannah Emerson, Vanda Cocco, Charles Selwood, Nellie Scaplehorn, General Jaeme Arrospide, John Fabriek, Philippa Armstrong.

+++ May they rest in peace +++

Parish Groups

The **Parish Prayer Group** meets every **Tuesday** at **8.00pm** in the church for rosary, prayer and intercession. All parishioners are most welcome to join us.

Christmas Eve

It is planned to hold our annual Christingle Service on **Sunday 24th December** at **4.00pm**. The rehearsal will take place on **Saturday 23rd December** at **10.30am**. For more information in the short term please contact helenmennis@blueyonder.co.uk or louisacollyerhamlin@yahoo.co.uk.



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PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

*Please visit our website regularly
to keep abreast of important
current issues.*

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 26th November 2017

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)

Saturday	9.30am	Gerry Quigley RIP
	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Tina Piccirillo RIP
	10.30am	Sadie Cronin RIP (Inscription mass)
	6.30pm	Carl Booth RIP
Monday	9.30am	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	9.30am	Special Intention
Wednesday	9.30am	Deceased Members of the Cronin family
Thursday	9.30am	Welfare of Christine Bond
Friday	9.30am	Towler family
Saturday	9.30am	Private Intention
	6.30pm	Eamonn Hickey RIP
Confessions:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am, 18.00-18.15pm and at call	
Exposition:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am	
Baptisms:	By previous arrangement	
Marriages:	Six months' notice required - Diocesan rule	

As Fr Vitalis has already stated, we will sing an opening hymn and a recessional hymn at the 9.00am Sunday mass, starting on **3rd December** (the First Sunday of Advent). Please remember to pick up a hymn book as you come in.

The booklet of daily readings and reflections for Advent - **Walk with Me** - is now available at the back of the church. There is one copy for each family. Please take one - there is **no charge**.

PARISH NOTICES

Parish staff

The Parish is seeking to recruit a paid Parish Administrator, for 22½ hours per week, plus eventually up to 12 evenings per year. (This job may be shared between two people.) The Parish is also seeking to recruit an unpaid Parish Treasurer for 2 – 3 hours a week and a Housekeeper for 6 – 8 hours per week.

The primary responsibility of the **Parish Administrator** is to provide comprehensive support to the Parish Priest in all administrative matters within the Parish. This will cover secretarial, financial and office management. The Administrator will also service the Parish Pastoral Council which will be established shortly. The ideal candidate(s) will have comprehensive administrative skills and some financial experience. They will also have demonstrable IT experience covering the Microsoft Office suite of applications (especially Outlook, Word and Excel). Excellent communication skills at all levels are also essential. Starting salary £12.00 – £15.00 per hour depending on experience.

The primary responsibility of the **Parish Treasurer** is to ensure the maintenance of financial accounts for the running of the Parish as required by the Archdiocese of Southwark and in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission and HM Revenue and Customs and to chair or liaise with the Parish Finance and Fabric Committee.. The ideal candidate(s) will have previous bookkeeping / financial experience. They will also have demonstrable IT experience covering the Microsoft Office suite of applications (especially Outlook, Word and Excel). Excellent communication skills at all levels are also essential.

Detailed job description and application forms for both posts may be found on the parish website www.stagathaschurch.org.uk. If you would like to apply for either position, in the case of the parish administrator either as a whole or as a job share, please email the completed application form by the closing date of Monday 4th December to johndequidt@hotmail.com, . Interviews are expected to be held on Friday 15th December.

The role of the **Housekeeper** will to provide housekeeping and cleaning support to the Parish Priest. The detailed job description is available on the parish website. The post is for up to 8 hours per week at a salary of £10 – £12 per hour depending on experience. There is no formal application form. Please email johndequidt@hotmail.com, by Monday 4th December with a brief CV to express interest in the post. (You may instead give a paper copy to Fr Vitalis.)

First Holy Communion preparation

The inscription mass will take place today, **Sunday 26th November**, at **10.30am**. The regular classes thereafter will be on Monday afternoons from **3.30pm until 4.30pm**, starting on **Monday 27th November**.

Advent time of Prayer, Reflection and Healing

On **Saturday 2nd December** there will be a time of Eucharistic adoration, praise and worship, Holy Mass and anointing of the sick. For further details see the notice in the porch. This will be a special time of preparation for Advent.

Advent time of Prayer, Reflection and Healing

On **Saturday 2nd December** there will be Eucharistic adoration from 10.00am to 11.00am. This will be followed by mass celebrated by Fr Julius and a time of prayer for healing. This will be a special time of preparation for Advent.

School News

St Agatha's School PSA Christmas Market will take place from **2.00pm to 5.00pm on Saturday 2nd December**. There will be an inflatable toboggan slide and other rides, Father Christmas, crafts, Secret Santa, European food and cask beer and mulled wine. Entry is £1 for adults, 50p for children. You may buy unlimited rides wristbands from www.jumblebee.co.uk/christmasmarketrides.

Christmas Lunch for More Mature Parishioners

The Christmas lunch for our more mature parishioners will be held on **Wednesday 6th December at 12.30pm** in the Cloister. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the list in the church porch.

Church Pre-Christmas Spruce Up

On the morning of **Saturday 9th December** we will hold our twice-yearly spruce up of the church and grounds in preparation for our Christmas celebrations. This will enable us to boost the efforts of our dedicated regular team by, for example, cleaning the brasses and ironing the altar cloths. There is a sheet on the notice board just inside the front door for volunteers to sign up please. All teenagers will be made especially welcome, together with those aged 11 – 13 (accompanied by an adult please) but for safety purposes no smaller children.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Course

The RCIA course is intended for adults who are seeking to be baptised and for Christians baptised in another denomination who would like to become Catholics. If you fall into either of these categories please contact Fr Vitalis as soon as reasonably practicable so that he may put your name down to start the course in January. The Rite of Election will take place in February.