



Sunday 29 December 2024

NEWSLETTER

The Holy Family Sunday

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"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15)

Dear parishioners,

Thank you so much for your wonderful participation in the Christmas Mass, bringing joy and sincerity as we celebrated Christ's birth. Your contributions made the day truly special.



As we celebrate Holy Family Sunday, it's a time to reflect on family virtues - sacrifice, purity, love, and togetherness - emulating the Holy Family. These virtues also resonate in our faith family at St. Ann's, as we embark on this spiritual journey together.

I'm so happy to announce that our 2025 annual planner comes into action on **January 5th**, with Readers, Eucharistic ministers, the Offertory kids, and the Welcome Team all taking their roles. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me.

On **January 12th**, we will have the **grand opening of our Pilgrim Church during the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass**. The church has received a decree from the Archbishop, delegating it as one of the few churches in the Archdiocese to be the sacred pilgrims church for Jubilee year. Further details and our vision for the campus will be shared in due time, as it's still in prayerful consideration.

On **February 2nd**, our kids will start their gardening activities, helping them experience stewardship in the vineyard of God. Those who part take in all the gardening days will receive special gifts at the end of fifth garden day.

Let's move forward as one faith family, enhancing each other's spiritual lives with joy. I'm here to journey with you on your spiritual path and to support you at any time. God continue to bless you.

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Great News for St. Ann's Parish

We are delighted to announce that St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kingston Hill, has been designated as one of the Pilgrim Churches in the Archdiocese of Southwark for the Jubilee Year 2025. This is a moment of great joy and honour for our parish as we take part in this extraordinary spiritual journey. please collect the Decree to designate our Church as a Jubilee Church in the Archdiocese of Southwark for the forthcoming Jubilee year.



Pilgrims Church

GRAND OPENING

Join us for the Holy Mass for
the **Dedication** of St. Ann's Church
as a **Sacred Place** for the Jubilee Year 2025

SUNDAY | **12** | JANUARY
At 10:30 AM | 2025

St Ann's Catholic Church
Kingston Hill - KT2 7LX



The Decree for St Ann's as a Pilgrim Church

Copies of the decree designating St Ann's Catholic Church as a Jubilee Church in the Archdiocese of Southwark for the forthcoming Jubilee Year, issued by Archbishop John Wilson on 20th December 2024, are now available in the church porch. Parishioners are welcome to take a copy home to reflect on this proud and historic moment for our community. St Ann, pray for us and all the pilgrims.

The Holy Family Sunday
Liturgical Colour: White Year: C(I).

Entrance Antiphon - Lk 2: 16

The shepherds went in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, {And, striking their breast, they say:} through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect:

Let us pray. O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practising the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading

1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28

‘Samuel, as long as he lives, is lent to the Lord.’

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel, for she said, ‘I have asked for him from the LORD.’ The man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, ‘As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, so that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and dwell there for ever.’ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh. And the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, ‘Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me my petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD.’ And he worshipped the LORD there.

The word of the Lord. **All reply: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm**Ps 84(83):2-3. 5-6. 9-10. Rcf. 5a****Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.**

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts. My soul is longing and yearning for the courts of the LORD. My heart and my flesh cry out to the living God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Blessed the people whose strength is in you, whose heart is set on pilgrim ways.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob. Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; look on the face of your anointed.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Second reading**1 John 3:1-2, 21-24**

Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

The word of the Lord. **All reply:** Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation**Cf. Acts 16:14b**

Alleluia, alleluia. Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may pay attention to the words of your Son. Alleluia.

Gospel**Luke 2:41-52**

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, 'Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.' And he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and man.

The Gospel of the Lord. All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin Mary', all bow. who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Offerings: We offer you, Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation, humbly asking that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and Saint Joseph, you may establish our families firmly in your grace and your peace. Through ...

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again..

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

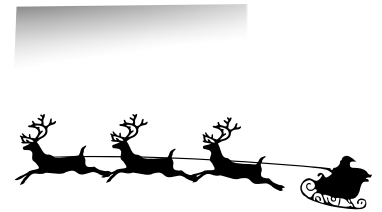
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon: Bar 3: 38 Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

Prayer after Communion: We implore your mercy, Lord, that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults and prepare us for the coming feasts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen



24 December 2024

Christmas Night Mass

ST ANN'S READING ROTA FOR SUNDAYS

| Role | 5th January | 12th January | 19th January |
|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st Reading | Bernard Bren. | Disona Dominic | Sr Ursula Eberhardt |
| Psalm | Nimasha Yusuf | Vivian Thatcher | Caterina Keyrouz |
| 2nd Reading | Daniel Mokwena | Lourdes Fuentes | Mathew Athakattu |
| Bidding Prayer | Christobel | Chidinma Igwilo | Romola Cardoza |
| Offertory | James & Tiffany | Elisa & Eva | Almina & Luciana |

ST ANN'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR WITH MASS INTENTIONS

| Date | Time | Intention | Celebration |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sunday 29/12 | 10.30 am | Intention Available | Holy Family |
| Monday 30/12 | 10 am | Intention Available | Christmas Octave |
| Tuesday 31/12 | 7.00 pm | People of the Parish | Christmas Octave |
| Wednesday 01/01 | 10 am | Intention Available | Holy Mother of God |
| Thursday 02/01 | No Mass | | |
| Friday 03/01 | 10 am | Intention Available | Holy Name of Jesus |
| Saturday 04/01 | 10 am | Intention Available | Weekday of Christmas |
| | 6 pm (Vigil) | Georgia (W/B) | Epiphany of the Lord |
| Sunday 05/01 | 10.30 am | Victor & Ester Randolfi RIP | Epiphany of the Lord |



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Account Number: 79124429

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Standing Order: £

Thank you for being part of our St. Ann's family.
Let's pray for one another and for the growth of our parish family.