

Our Lady & St. Philip Neri Church, Sydenham

NEWSLETTER

The Baptism of the Lord • Year C

Mass Book Page 118 (Alternative readings for Year C)
1st Reading Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11 **2nd Reading** Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7
Gospel Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22



YOU ARE MY SON, THE BELOVED

The Holy Spirit came down upon Jesus, the beloved Son of God, at his baptism in the River Jordan. The same Holy Spirit comes down on each one of us and helps us to live our lives so that we are faithful to our baptismal calling.

← While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Evangelisation: That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS

Sat 12 th	6:30 ^{pm}	Holy Souls	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 13 th	9.30 ^{am}	Kath Driscoll RIP	The Baptism of the Lord (C) S ^t . Hilary
	11.00 ^{am}	Paddy & Betty Conaty RIP	
Mon 14 th	9.30 ^{am}	Katy Rudden RIP	
Tue 15 th	9.30 ^{am}	Michael Clifford RIP	
Wed 16 th	9.30 ^{am}	Paddy Conaty RIP	
Thu 17 th	9.30 ^{am}	Annie Sheehan's Intention	S ^t . Anthony
Fri 18 th	9.30 ^{am}	Ann Fuller's Intention	
Sat 19 th	8.30 ^{am} 9.00 ^{am}	Morning Prayer & Exposition Alice Mariestella Leslie RIP	
	6:30 ^{pm}	Anne & Emmanuel Awosusi RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 20 th	9.30 ^{am}	Kath Driscoll RIP	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) S ^t . Fabian
	11.00 ^{am}	Birthday Intention for Michelle Onyekwelu	

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PRAYERS

Please Pray for the sick and the housebound, for those recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Our blue "Prayers for Wellbeing", and black "Prayers of Remembrance" books are located at the back of the Church.

CONFESSION

Confession times are: Monday - Friday • 9am, Saturday • 9am & 6pm, Sunday • 9am, and by appointment.

COLLECTIONS

Last Week

£337	Not Gift Aided	£333	Gift Aided
£300	Standing Order Gift Aided	£288	Parish Development Fund

This Week

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Next Week

Parish Development Fund

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND FEBRUARY 2020

In February of next year Fr Regis our will be leading a ten day pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

The cost for ten days, full board, is £1,625.00. So far 39 people have expressed an interest in this trip. We are expecting our travel company, Fifth Gospel retreats, to come back to us in mid-January with final travel details, contracts and booking forms. When we have this information we will send the booking forms out to everyone who has expressed an interest. At this point, people who are interested will be asked to confirm if they are definitely going on the trip, fill in an application form, and pay the £225 deposit.

There are still spare places on the pilgrimage, anyone still interested please fill in an "expression of interest" form, and hand it into the Parish house.

CATHOLIC CLUB

Mag's Bacon and Cabbage fundraiser for the Club. Music from Xpressions. Entry £10 on the door. Support your club and enjoy a tasty meal with good friends and great music.

Friday 18th January, from 8^{pm} : Fancy a game of 25s? Come and join us.

Friday 25th January : Don't forget to come and join us for a fun Bingo. The snowball 🎱 has still not been won so it will be £230 for 56 numbers. We usually play 6 games and these are £3 each. 75% of the pot is paid in prizes, 25% for a line and 50% for a full house, and you decide which game the snowball will be played on. So get this date in your diary and maybe you'll be a winner.

Try your luck! Everybody is welcome, you don't need to be a member to join in the fun!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION '19

Our next lesson is **Sunday 27th January at 10^{am}** in the hall.

Chapter 7: Bread to Offer.

CONFIRMATION '19

Our next lesson is **Friday 25th January at 7.30^{pm}** in the hall.

Chapter 7: Eucharist.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH

Thank you to everyone who made donations toward our Christmas Flowers.

The Mass of **Sunday, 3rd February at 11^{am}** has been dedicated to the Faithful Departed.

The names of those being remembered will be placed on the altar, and on the Church noticeboard that weekend.

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A SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Brought to you by Churches Together in Sydenham & Forest Hill.

Wednesday 23rd January 2019, 7.30^{pm}

NTCG Rehoboth Church
159 Perry Rise
SE23 2QU

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Sadly, the beautiful Christmas decorations in the Church need to be packed away.

If anyone would like to help, we will be doing this next **Monday, 14th at 7^{pm}**.

Please do not park in the Church grounds, this is reserved for blue badge holders, or those who need to drop off those with ability considerations. Thank you.

During Mass, please keep your children with you at all times, and accompany small children to the toilet.