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of Scotland

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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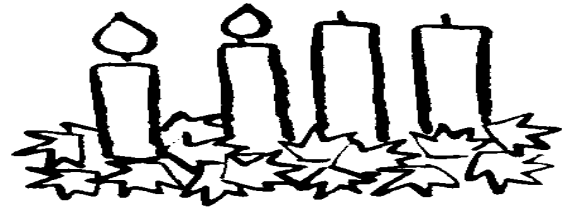
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Parish Newsletter

No: 43/2018 For Sunday 9 December

Second Sunday of Advent



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SUNDAY MASS: 9.30 am and 11.00am. Also Saturday at 6.00 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday at 9.00 am, other Weekdays at 10.00 am.

No Mass on Thursday

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: 10 am and 8 pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 10.30—11 am & 5.15—5.45 pm and at call.

VARIATIONS: Please see the Weekly Diary for any changes to the above times.

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Father Patrick will be available for parishioner consultations after Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until 1.00pm, and then from 4.00 pm until 8.00 pm. It is not necessary to make an appointment to see him at these times. The parish office is open from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm and from 2.00 pm until 5.00 pm each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

FATHER BEHRUZ RAFAT

Next weekend St Margaret's will be welcoming Father Behruz as part of the Pastoral exchange with Paddock Wood.

Father Behruz will be available to hear confessions on Saturday evening (15th December) and will say the Vigil Mass that day as well as the Masses on Sunday 16th December.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Bible Sunday

Please Bring Your Bible to Mass

Every year, the Second Sunday of Advent is celebrated as "Bible Sunday", when the treasures of God's Word are celebrated. Both in the liturgy and in the home. At Mass this Sunday we shall invite all who exercise the Ministry of Reader at Saint Margaret's to renew their annual

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2019

Unfortunately, a number of key people leading the programme for the First Communion are not available for the meeting pencilled in for Sunday 16th December. With the run up to Christmas, a meeting later this month is unlikely. We are now trying to organise a meeting for January and will inform parents and guardians of the candidates as soon as we have a date booked. There will also be a notice in the newsletter and Father Patrick will make an announcement in church as well.

AN INVITATION TO ALL ST MARGARET'S PARISHIONERS FROM FATHER LUKE

Father Luke will be celebrating his 90th birthday on 18th December 2018. To celebrate this event, he will be saying a special Mass in the school chapel of St Philomena's secondary school, Pound Street, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 3PS on Sunday 16th December at 12 noon, followed by a get together and light refreshments in the school hall afterwards. Note we will be using the entrance in Shorts Road SM5 2PB. (Opposite the end of Alma Road). Father Luke looks forward to seeing you there.

SUNDAY COFFEE

We are looking for volunteers to serve coffee after the 9.30am mass on Sunday. It's a great opportunity to meet your fellow parishioners and perhaps form new friendships. You can do it on your own or the whole family can participate. If you spare an hour or so, please contact the Parish Office and we will put you in touch with Shirley Orbell and she can add your name to the rota.

JOB VACANCY. The Archdiocese of Southwark Education Commission is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and highly motivated person to the post of Chaplaincy Adviser. If you are interested and would like to have an informal chat in regards for this post and/or an application pack, please contact Sharon Docherty, the Deputy Director Religious Education and Spirituality via: sharondocherty@rcaos.org.uk or phone 01689 829331. Closing date: Monday 10 December 2018. Interview date: Wednesday 19 December 2018. All applications will be acknowledged. Please also see noticeboard in the foyer for more details.

DISTRIBUTION OF OUR CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES LEAFLETS

Can you help by delivering some of our Christmas leaflets to homes around our church? Our aim is to distribute 2000 leaflets this year before Christmas. We need volunteers to deliver bundles of 200 leaflets. The distribution areas are explained on a poster in the meeting area. You can select an area convenient to yourself and then let Geoff Balls know via the Parish email (carshaltonbeeches@rcaos.org.uk)

YOU ARE INVITED TO COFFEE & MINCE PIES ETC

By Anne Dodwell, in aid of St Raphael's Hospice, Cheam and The Manna Day Centre for the Homeless, London Bridge, on Friday 14th December 2018 from 10.30am to 1pm. Please email or phone Parish office for details of Anne's address.

**Diary for the Week STARTING 9 DECEMBER 2018
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

SUNDAY	6.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Saturday (Vigil) Mass Family Mass Holy Mass
MONDAY	9.00 am 10.00 am	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass
TUESDAY	9.00 am 8.00 pm	Holy Mass The Renewal Home Group
WEDNESDAY	12.00 noon 12.45 for 1.00 pm 4.15 pm 8.00 pm	Holy Mass Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch Intercessionary Weekly Prayer meeting (please contact Parish Office for details) The Bible Study Home Group
THURSDAY	9.00 am 10.00 am 6.15 pm 7.30 pm	Holy Mass St Margaret's Mums & Toddlers Youth Group Music Practice Folk Group Rehearsal
FRIDAY	9.00 am 10.00 am	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass
SATURDAY	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Mass First Mass of Sunday

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH on 8th/9th December after all masses. This collection **does qualify** for Parish Gift Aid so please use a 'spare' Parish Gift Aid envelope.

PASTORAL LETTER. Please find enclosed a copy of the letter from The Rt. Rev. Peter Smith, Archbishop of Southwark which was read last Sunday (2nd December) in all parishes within the Archdiocese.

A DAY WITH MARY at Sacred Heart, Edge Hill, Wimbledon on Saturday 15th December 2018. A day of instruction, devotion and intercession based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. For further details, please see poster on noticeboard, email dwm@adaywithmary.org or visit website: www.adaywithmary.org.

EPSOM & DISTRICT IRISH ASSOCIATION'S next dance is on 14th December 2018 at Rhodrons Club, Rhodrons Avenue, Chessington K19 1BA from 8.30pm to 11.30pm, phone 0208 397 2683 for more details.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR: Graham Wright (Roz Wright's husband), Connie Harrington, (Lynn Pougher's mother), Angel Bridi, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Steven Conroy, Anne Pelham & Paul Field (Father Kevin's sister-in-law & Nephew), Mike Nolan, Laura Bannon (Mia's Mother), Stephen Martin, Joe Ryan, Juliana Amaral, Nina Greenoak & Lauren Horwood (Juliana's granddaughters) Matthew Nelson (Ken's son), Peter Bushell (Marian Thurley's nephew), Jackie Sweeney & Ray Sweeney (Ita Haines' sister-in-law's sister-in-law & son-in-law), Liz Beddoe (Lynn Pougher's sister-in-law), Nora Chapman and Angela Kelly

ANNIVERSARIES: Father Chris Cutler, Mgr John Moran, Fr Augustine Chigodora, Elish Barrett, Harry Sharp, Soccoro Montes, Peter Cogswell, Marguerite Tissier, Edith Pougher (John's mother), Ann Kehoe, Mathilda Aranha, Ugo Zazzi (Sandra Gascoine's father), Mary Knopek (Tom's mother), Agnes Durling, Michael Geoghegan, Gertrude Furtado (Goldwyn's mother), Margaret Hayes, Mary Lewis (Mrs Geraghty's sister), Rosina Francia (Tony's grandmother), James Wall (Mrs Barron's brother), Ronald Wylie (Harry's brother), Sean Thomson (Sheila Sharp's uncle), Una Pinto, Bridget Browne (Cathy Biggins' mother), Peter Groves (Marjorie Moret's brother), Doris O'Connell (Keith's mother), May Keohane (Patricia Carini's mother), Mary Murphy, Harold Walsh, Mary Mott, Teresa Finn, Timothy Urquart, Walter Plant, Sarah Murray, Michael Collins, John Lawrenson (Anne Carpenter's brother), Bob Angibault (Paulette Lenaerts' uncle) and Jean Carroll (May Leonard's sister-in-law)

LAST SUNDAY: Last Sunday's attendance was 294 and the Offertory came to £529.11 shared between £233.01 in loose money and £296.10 in Gift Aid envelopes. Many thanks.

SAINT MARGARET'S ALMANAC

12th December	SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON
17th December	ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE (7.30 pm)
23rd December	CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT (JOINT SERVICE WITH THE GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH AT 5.00 pm)
18th to 25th January 2019	WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY*
27th May 2019	PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD
16th June 2019	FIRST COMMUNION
23rd June 2019	FIRST COMMUNION (ADDITIONAL/ALTERNATE DATE)
13th July 2019	CONFIRMATION

***SERVICE** At All Saints, Carshalton on 24th January 2019, details to follow

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.