



Confessions:
Saturdays
10.15 -
10.45am;
5.15 - 5.45pm



Rosary:
Mon - Sat
before 9:30am
Mass;
Sundays after
11:15am mass



**UCM: The 3rd
Monday of the
month at
7.30pm**

**Knights of St
Columba:
The 3rd Friday
of the month
at 8pm**



**Legion of
Mary:
Thursdays at
7.30pm**



Mass Times:

Mondays to Saturdays: 9.30am (and 7.30pm on Tuesdays)
Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday evenings); 9.30am;
11.15am and 5.30pm
Adoration and Benediction: Every Friday at 7.30pm

The Angelus will be said every Saturday at 6pm, before the evening Mass, and after the 11.15am Mass on Sunday.

MASS TIME AND INTENTIONS 28TH DEC to the 4TH JAN 2026

Sunday 28TH Dec		HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH(A)
(Saturday 27th Dec)	6:00pm	Tony Monaghan RIP
	9:30am	Our Blessed Mother (Thanksgiving)
	11:15am	People of the Parish
	5:30pm	Colin and Doris (Wellbeing)
Monday 29TH Dec		ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY
	9:30am	The Belletti Family RIP
Tuesday 30th Dec		Octave of the Nativity of the Lord.
	9:30am	Margaret Larmer
	7:30pm	St. Lucy
Wed 31st Dec		Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
	9:30am	Maraid and Family
Holy Mass of the New Year	6:00pm	Vigil Mass of the New Year
	10:45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	12:00am	Midnight Mass (Fr. Sunith RIP)
Thursday 1st Jan		MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD
	9:30am	St. Joseph's Intentions
	11.15am	Fr. Joseph's Intentions and Family
Friday 2nd Jan		St. BASIL THE GREAT/GREGORY NAZIANZEN
	9:30am	Maria Alford RIP
	7.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 3rd Jan		THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS
	9:30am	Fr. Sunith RIP
Sunday 4th Jan (Saturday 3rd Jan)		SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY
	6:00pm	John Edem & Anthony Ette RIP
	9:30am	Mr Corsino Oscar Da' Costa
	11:15am	For the People of the Parish
	5:30pm	Margret & Louis

Notices for the newsletter need to be emailed/posted to the presbytery by 6pm on Wednesdays.

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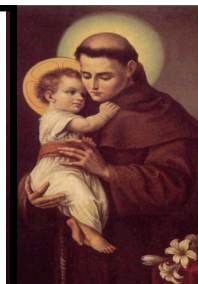
Parish email: anerley@rcaos.org.uk

Parish Priest: Father Joseph Edem

Parish Office: Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 1pm

Headteacher: Ms Danielle Gayle

St. Anthony of Padua School, Tel. 020 8778 7681



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Welcome to St Anthony of Padua Church

Father Joseph thank you for your generous Christmas offerings and many gifts, cards and good wishes received, which help make Christmas a very happy time. God bless you all.



"Blessed are all who fear the Lord, and walk in His ways."
Psalm 128:1

Please find details of our Masses on the back of this newsletter.

New Years Eve - Wednesday 31st December

Morning Mass at 9.30am.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 10.45pm in Thanksgiving for the New Year.

Benediction will be at 11.45pm followed by Midnight Mass.

Thursday 1st January 2026

Masses will be at 9.30am and 11.15am.

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Sunday Teas: Next Sunday teas (after 9.30am mass in the Parish Centre) will be served by the **Parish Pastoral Council**. Thank you to all who help out with Sunday teas.

Parish Sacramental Activities:

Confirmation Class: The next class will be on Thursday 8th January at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

First Holy Communion Class: The next classes will be Saturday 10th January at 10.30am in the Parish Centre.

Christmas Offerings: Your personal gift to the Priest of the Parish. Envelopes are at the back of the Church. Clergy do not receive a salary as such and rely on the Christmas and Easter offerings to supplement any income received through Mass stipends and Stole fees for Baptisms, Funerals and rare weddings. If you are a member of the parish Gift Aid scheme, please enter your gift aid number on the envelope to enable tax to be reclaimed for the benefit of the parish. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

Infant Baptisms: The Church requests that children are brought to be baptised as soon as practicable after birth and before they are six months old. If you would like to arrange an infant baptism then please complete a baptism request form and return it to the presbytery. You will then be contacted to discuss the baptism arrangements.

Church Cleaning: The Church is cleaned every Saturday at 10am. New volunteers are always welcome.

Christmas Flowers: This weekend there is a second collection for our church flowers. This annual collection allows our church flower arrangers to purchase beautiful flowers for the entire year.

Crib Offering– Catholic Children’s Society: Every penny you donate will go into the Catholic Children’s Society’s Southwark Crisis Fund to provide emergency support for families in our Archdiocese. Visit www.cathchild.org.uk for more information.

Please remember to turn off your mobile phone.

Archbishop John Wilson: In his annual Christmas message, Archbishop John Wilson said: “The beautiful truth of Christmas is that because of God in Christ we are never lost. God chose to be near us, to stay close to us always, to draw us to himself, always. In his endless mercy, the Lord Jesus chose to love us, so we could know and believe that “God is love” (1 John 4:16). In turn, all the Lord Jesus asks of us is to not be afraid and to say yes to him, to draw close to him, to love him”.

You can watch and read the full message at rcaos.org.uk/christmasmessage2025 or please scan the QR code below



Manna Day Centre: Donations to the Manna Society (www.mannasociety.org.uk - a day centre for the homeless and those in need) will be doubled by the Aviva Community Fund (up to £250 per donation) until 29th December 2025. Please see the poster on the notice board.

Westminster Cathedral Choir School: If you are interested in chorister life and opportunities please join the next zoom session on Wednesday 28th January at 6.30pm. Please contact: Tel 020 7798 9081 Email rbonnet@choirschool.com for further information.

Racial Justice Sunday: Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate Mass for Racial Justice Sunday at St George’s Cathedral on Sunday 1st February 2026, at the 10am Mass.

Financial Support: We appreciate your continued care and support for our parish Community. Parishioners can contribute directly to the Parish bank account: Natwest Bank Beckenham Branch, Sort Code 60-02-12 and Account Number 46000208. Tax payers, please join the Gift Aid programme allowing our parish to increase the value of every donation it receives from tax payers by 25%. We value your assistance in maintaining our wonderful Parish community. **Please note that the name of the Parish Bank Account is RCAS St Anthony of Padua Anerley.**

Many thanks you to all those who help support our Parish.

Please take this newsletter home with you.

The next newsletter will be available on the weekend 3rd/4th January 2026.

Please pray for all of the sick and housebound of the Parish.