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Saturdays
10.15 -
10.45am;
5.15 - 5.45pm

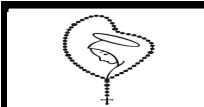


Rosary:
Mon - Sat
before 9:30am
Mass;
Sundays after
11:15am mass



**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 on Saturday at 6pm, before the evening Mass, and after the 11.15am Mass on Sunday.

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Sunday 25th Jan		THIRD SUNDAY (A) Sunday of the Word of God <i>From the 18th to the 25th January the Church observes 8 days prayer for Christian Unity</i>
(Saturday 24th Jan)	6:00pm	<i>Bruno Seeman RIP</i>
	9:30am	<i>Anne Maguire RIP</i>
	11:15am	<i>Safe Arrival of Baby Kelleher</i>
	5:30pm	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 26th Jan		Saints Timothy and Titus
	9:30am	<i>Ronald George Hibbons RIP</i>
Tuesday 27th Jan		Feria
	9:30am	<i>Wellbeing of Raphael Fleming</i>
	7:30pm	<i>Return of Good Health to Brian Long</i>
Wednesday 28th Jan		St Thomas Aquinas
	9:30am	<i>Mattie Faye</i>
Thursday 29th Jan		Feria
	9:30am	<i>George and Vivian D'Cruze and the Thornton Family</i>
Friday 30th Jan		Feria
	9:30am	<i>Safe Arrival of Baby Wakerley</i>
	7.30pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Saturday 31st Jan		St John Bosco
	9:30am	<i>Derek Parker</i>
Sunday 1st Feb		FOURTH SUNDAY (A)
(Saturday 31st Jan)	6:00pm	<i>Kieran O'Hara RIP</i>
	9:30am	<i>Edward and Family</i>
	11:15am	<i>Robert Doyle RIP</i>
	5:30pm	<i>Minnie and Frank Long RIP</i>

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

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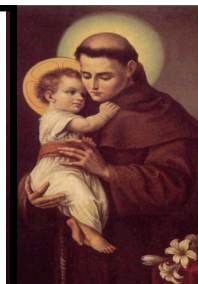
Parish email: anerley@rcaos.org.uk

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



THIRD SUNDAY (A) **Sunday of the Word of God**

Welcome to St Anthony of Padua Church

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Prayer for Christian Unity

Gracious Lord, God of all,
Guide for the lost, Light for those in darkness.
Our eyes turn to you, hear our prayers.
May the sun of your glory shine forth, giving life and light to all, from the East to the West, and from the North to the South. Let the morning rays of your eternal spring awaken us who await your coming.

O Jesus Christ, Light from the Light, dwell within us,
who have come together to worship your holy and precious name.
Let your life-giving radiance kindle within us a deeper love for one another.
May your brilliant light stir us to ever more flourishing unity.
Like diverse flowers in the garden of your Kingdom,
may your divine brilliance cause us to bloom in harmony.
And so, all as one, may we always joyfully praise and glorify you,
and the Father and the Holy Spirit,
now and always and unto the ages of ages.
Amen.

(Adapted from St Gregory of Narek).

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

Sunday Teas for February: The Sunday teas on the 1st February (after 9.30am mass in the Parish Centre) will be served by the Knights of St Columba. The Parish Council will serve the teas on the 8th February and the UCM will be serving the teas on the 15th February. Thank you to all who help out with Sunday teas.

Recently Deceased: Please pray for the souls of Velma Jackson, Gerard 'Gerry' Mulhall, Phillip Michael Scale, Robert 'Bob' Doyle and Father James Hay.

The funeral of Velma Jackson will take place on Tuesday 27th January at 11.30am followed by Beckenham Crematorium at 1pm.

The funeral of Gerard 'Gerry' Mulhall will take place on Thursday 29th January. Further details to follow.

The funeral of Phillip Scale will take place on Tuesday 3rd February at 12 noon followed by Beckenham Crematorium at 2pm.

May all their souls rest in peace.

Parish Sacramental Activities:

First Holy Communion Class: The next class will be on Saturday 31st January at 10.30am in the Parish Centre.

Confirmation Class: The next class will be on Thursday 29th January at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

RCIA: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 28th January at 7pm.

Christian Unity Octave: From Sunday, the 18th to Sunday, the 25th January, the Church observes 8 days of prayer for Christian Unity.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: There will be a meeting on Saturday 31st January at 11.15am in the Parish Centre.

Choir Practice: The next Choir Practice (for Sunday's 9.30am mass) will be on Sunday 25th January at 4pm.

Annual Holiday: Please note that Father Joseph will be on his annual holiday during the month of February. Please contact the Parish Office if you are in need of a priest during this time.

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome: Parish Pilgrimage to Rome Monday 21st to Friday 25th September 2026: The pilgrimage will be organised on our behalf by All Saints Travel and under the spiritual direction of Fr Joseph. The cost is estimated at £1100-1300 to include flights from Gatwick, half board accommodation in a hotel close to the Vatican and the services of a tour guide. If you are interested in joining this pilgrimage please let James Finette know by email to jfinette@icloud.com.

Canon Gerard Bradley: His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has appointed Canon Gerard Bradley as an Auxilliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Southwark. Bishop-elect Gerard's Episcopal Ordination and Mass is at St. George's Cathedral on Monday 2nd February at 12.30pm.

*Please pray for Joyce Edwins
and all of the sick and housebound of the Parish.*

New Year Resolution: Volunteer with CAFOD in Your Parish: At CAFOD, we'd love to welcome new volunteers to help right here in your parish. Getting involved could mean helping with fundraising, prayer activities, or sharing stories about CAFOD's work during the year — and it doesn't take lots of time or experience. Every little bit helps. If you'd like to be part of something meaningful this New Year, please get in touch with our local CAFOD Coordinator Sarah Cadwallader - scadwallader@cafod.org.uk | 07825 734 390

World Leprosy Day: We mark World Leprosy Day this Sunday, (25th January) as a time to pray for and stand in solidarity with people affected by leprosy around the world. We remember the work of the John Bradburne Memorial Society, inspired by John Bradburne, who devoted his life to caring for those with leprosy at the Mutemwa Leprosy Care Centre in Zimbabwe. Please keep the people of Mutemwa in your prayers and consider supporting this vital work through prayer, awareness, or donation. www.johnbradburne.com, Tel: 07979 187498, Post: JBMS, PO Box 32, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0YB, Email: info@johnbradburne.com

St George's Cathedral Second Collection, this Sunday, 25th January: For over half a century, St George's Cathedral has been the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50,000 Roman Catholics. For many Catholics living and working across London and the South East of England, St George's has been a beacon of light. Today, St George's Cathedral continues to attract thousands of worshippers and visitors each year, as well as serving a lively local parish community which proudly reflects the rich cultural and ethnic diversity of South London. The Cathedral frequently hosts important Diocesan and national celebrations, as well as concerts and events for various Catholic charities. There is a rich musical tradition, maintaining a choir of boys and men, as well as a girls' choir, both of which sing at Sunday Masses and on major feasts. In many respects, St George's Cathedral serves as a spiritual home and 'beehive' for Catholic evangelisation and mission across the Archdiocese of Southwark. St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship. Thank you! [Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral](https://www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral) Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504 Cash / Cheque – please use the St George's Cathedral envelopes at the back of church.

Racial Justice Sunday: Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate Mass for Racial Justice Sunday at St George's Cathedral on Sunday 1 February 2026, at 10am. Racial Justice Sunday is a time for the Church to pray, reflect and take action against racism, while celebrating the diversity of our Archdiocese. Everyone is invited to take part, and those who wish may wear national or cultural dress as a sign of unity and pride. If you would like, please gather outside the cathedral at 9.45am to join the procession of national flags. After Mass, all are welcome to gather in Amigo Hall for refreshments — a chance to meet one another, share experiences and continue the conversation about faith and inclusion. You are warmly encouraged to attend in person, but if you cannot make it you can watch the livestream through the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/live/fdmGwmESSql>. The Second Collection next weekend will be for Racial Justice.

Please remember to look at the notice boards for further notices.