

The Epiphany of the Lord

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Response to the Intercessions:

We offer you ourselves.

Communion Antiphon:

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Prayer to Our Lady:

Mother of Christ, hear thou thy people’s cry,
Star of the deep and portal of the sky.

Mother of him who thee from nothing made,
Striving we sink and call to thee for aid.

O by that joy which Gabriel brought to thee,
Thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.

Readings next Sunday:

1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19

1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20

John 1: 35-42

ROTA - 14 JANUARY:

HOUSECALLS -Mrs A Doe, Mr J Hagan Tetteh, Mrs A Greentree, Mrs G John Baptiste, Mr J Abraham

READERS-Mrs P Abraham (Sat 6:30pm)Mrs A Doe (Sun 9am)Miss C Leonard (Sun 11am)

OFFERTORY –Mrs P Burns (Sat 6:30pm) Giraldo Fmly (Sun 9am)Swain Fmly (Sun 11am)

CHURCH CLEANING WED 10 JAN-Ms K Questelles, Ms T de Bertodano

CHURCH CLEANING SAT 13 JAN Mrs E Martin/J Nweke **FLOWER ARRANGING 13 JAN** Vacant

COUNTERS 7 JAN Mr J Remedios, Ms B Cunningham **14 JAN** Mr S Swain, Ms K Kabanova

TEAS & COFFEE : 7 JAN Mrs A Kouakou, **14 JAN** Mrs Schwartz, Mrs E Sanders

If you are unable to fulfil your duty then please arrange for a substitute.

FINANCE FOR 10 –31 DECEMBER 2017

	GIFT AID ENVELOPES	£	Loose	2nd		B/O	Total	No. at Mass
10 Dec	10	31	276	190	-	460	957	270
17 Dec	15	73	335	163		460	1031	
24 Dec	15	126	260	181	-	460	1027	
31 Dec	19	101	312	193		460	1066	

Second Collection this week is for the Church Maintenance Fund.

The second collection next week will be for Pax Christi:

“The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms”.

At the back of the Church you will find envelopes for your donation.

Southwark Catholic Directories:

The 2018 Southwark Directories can still be purchased from the Sacristy, priced at **£3.50** for spiral bound and **£3** for the standard type.

St Matthew's Church Newsletter

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7 JANUARY 2018



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Mass on Saturday 6:30pm (Sunday)
Mass on Sunday 9 am, 11am
Morning Mass 9:30am (Tues, Wed, Thu, Fri)
Evening Mass 7:00pm Tuesdays

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5.30-6:00pm & at call
Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am
Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

From Father Anthony's Desk:

May I take this opportunity thank everyone for the good wishes, cards and presents which I received over the Christmas period. I appreciate it all very much. I should like to thank again everyone who contributed in any way to making the Christmas services so meaningful.

I also appreciate the positive comments which have been made about the re-ordering of the sanctuary and I am glad that so many people are happy with the changes. I hope that it will not be too long before we have a new and permanent lectern: we are all aware that a new sound system is rather urgently needed as well, and this is now a priority. I hope to submit a design for the new altar to the Diocesan Art and Architecture Committee. I have no idea how long their deliberations will take and beginning the next phase depends on their approval. However, as some parishioners have remarked, it is giving us all time to adjust to the new look and feel of the church.

PARISH SICK LIST

Michael ,Mrs Dorothy Nichol, Monsignor James O'Neill, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mrs Peggy Phillips, Fr. Anthony Bailey, Mr Patrick Heneghan, Mrs Maureen Sheehan, Mr Martin Fisher, Ms Shelagh Mc Donough , Mrs Sheila Bohan

Please keep them in your prayers.

Are you worried about dementia?

A date for your diaries, On Monday March 5 at 7.30pm there will be a talk and discussion about spotting the first signs of dementia and what we can do about them. It will be held in the main hall Our Lady of the Annunciation Bingham Road, Addiscombe. Refreshments and cash bar available. All are welcome. More details John Woodhouse 0790 8888 586 (by text) Norwood Catenian circle. Please see the poster in the Narthex.

Duty Rotas:

Those who have agreed to continue with their duties should have collected their rotas by now. There are some gaps still to be filled for various roles, if you would like to help please contact the parish office.