

## **St. Philip the Apostle, Finchley Church End**

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### **Service Times this week**

Sunday Masses: Saturday: **6:30pm**  
Sunday: **8:30am**  
**10:00am (Sung)**  
**12 noon (Family)**  
**6:30pm (Polish)**  
Weekday Masses: **10:00am** (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri & Sat)  
Confessions: Saturday 10:30-10:55am; 5:45-6:15pm.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sat. 10:30-11am.

Last Sunday's Collection: envelopes: £553.57;  
loose: £503.89; total: £1057.46.  
Thank you. [WRCDT Reg. Charity no. 233699]

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Dear Parishioners,

From modest beginnings in 2002, Mary's Meals is now providing a nourishing meal to 1.36 million chronically hungry children in 17 countries around the world every school day. It costs just £13.90 to feed each child for a whole year. Linking that meal with education gives those children greater hope for their future. The Rags to Riches collection which Mary's Meals are organising at the church today enables our unwanted clothing and fabrics to be turned into cash for the benefit of those children. Please note that bags of clothes must be brought before the 12 noon Mass this Sunday as the van will be taking them away by lunchtime.

May God bless you all,

Fr John Dermody.

**Sick and Retired Priests' Fund** – Next Sunday we have the annual collection to support the priests who have served this Diocese but are no longer able to continue full-time ministry due to sickness or old age. Please take one of the special green envelopes, which are available in the benches and in the porch, and return it with your offering next weekend.

**Daphne Payne R.I.P.** – Daphne's Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 10am. May she rest in peace.

**Christmas Lunch** - Although we have details of guests who were invited last year, if you think that you should have received an invitation, are elderly or will be on your own at Christmas, or know of any parishioner that this applies to, please give your/their name(s) and contact details in to the Priests' House in an envelope clearly marked for "The Christmas Lunch Committee" – by 11 November. Thank you.

**November Dead List** – During the month of November, one Mass is celebrated each day for our deceased loved ones. If you place the names of your departed family and friends in one of the special brown envelopes, those lists will be placed on the altar throughout the month of November.

**New Sunday Mass times** – From 6th January 2019, there will be only two Sunday morning Masses, the Sung Mass at 9:30 and the Family Mass at 11:30. Saturday evening and weekday Mass times will remain the same.

**Prayers for the Holy Souls** in Purgatory will be said after weekday morning Mass during the month of November.

**Parish Centenary** – 2019 marks the Centenary of the inauguration of this parish. The highlight will be Mass

celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols on 14<sup>th</sup> September, but a variety of other events are planned through the year to mark the occasion. Keep an eye out for details of those events. We are looking for a photo of **Fr George Ingram** who was Parish Priest at St Philip's from 1957 to 1964 to include in the souvenir booklet. Can you help? Other photos of significant events in the parish's history would also be welcomed.

**Fire Marshals** – One of the latest additions to health and safety regulations is that we are supposed to have a fire marshal at every Mass! Would you like to volunteer for that role? There will be a training session at St Edward's Church in Golders Green on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 7-9pm. Please let us know if you would be willing and able to attend.

**School References** – Parents who have been attending Mass regularly at St Philip's and who require a Certificate of Catholic Practice for primary school applications are invited to come on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, between 7-7:30pm. Please come initially to the Weekday Chapel.

**St Theresa's Primary School, East End Rd, N3 2TD. Open Days for Reception class 2019:** Mon 5<sup>th</sup> & Thur 8<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am; Mon 12<sup>th</sup> & Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 2pm. Telephone 020 8346 8826 to arrange visit or request an application pack.

**St Michael's Grammar, N12 7NJ – 6<sup>th</sup> Form Open Evening** – Thursday 8 November, 7pm. See noticeboard for details.

**Bishop Douglass School 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November, for all past pupils (1963-2013). For more information, visit [www.bdreunions.com](http://www.bdreunions.com).

**Annual Reunion Dinner** for former pupils of Finchley Catholic High, Finchley Grammar & Challoner Schools on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm. See noticeboard for details.

**Can you please help the Finchley Food Bank** by buying one extra item of non-perishable food when you do your weekly food shop, and put it in the box in either of the porches. Many thanks in anticipation of your generosity.

**Helpers of God's Precious Infants** – Processional Prayer Vigil Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November, St Bede's Church, Clapham Park, SW12 0LF. Latin Mass at 11am; procession to BPAS Centre. Return for Benediction and shared tea. See poster or [www.helpersuk.org](http://www.helpersuk.org).

**Polish Services** – Information is available on the Polish-language website [www.finchleyparish.co.uk](http://www.finchleyparish.co.uk), or email [proboszcz@finchleyparish.co.uk](mailto:proboszcz@finchleyparish.co.uk). The new Polish Chaplain, Fr Marek Galuszka, may be contacted on 07984 293753.

**Job Vacancies** – Information about job vacancies in the diocese can be found via the following link: <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>

**If you are admitted to hospital**, and you would like to see a Catholic Chaplain, data protection rules require you to tell the hospital staff, firstly, that you wish your details to be passed to the RC Chaplain and, secondly, that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

**School Governors** - St Theresa's School has a need for committed Catholics to act as Foundation Governors. See the poster on the schools notice board in the church porch or use the following link to obtain more information: <http://rcdow.org.uk/education/governors/recruitment-of-foundation-governors/>

**Catholic Singles** is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further info. visit [www.catholicingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicingles.org.uk) or tel. 0161 941 3498

**Do you have old rosary beads that are no longer needed?** The Catenian Rosary Group has been sending unused rosaries to Aboriginals in Australia and to various countries in Africa since 2009, but there is always a demand for more. If you, or your family or friends, have unused rosaries hidden

away in cupboards or drawers, you can help the cause by sending them to John Riley, 112 Lonsdale Road, Bolton, Lancs. BL1 4PN, or contact him on 01204 845094 or [dor.jonriley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dor.jonriley@yahoo.co.uk).

**Follow Me** – This group is especially for adults wishing to participate in the Sacraments or simply to know more about the Catholic Church. It meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Meeting Room. Newcomers are welcome.

**Parish Registration** – Have you registered with the Parish? Have you changed your address since you registered? It is helpful, if you need any kind of reference, if you are already on our parish database. Our parish database is held securely on computer and contains only the information you provide to us. That information is never shared with any third party, unless you give your express consent. If you leave the parish, or no longer wish to be included on the database, you can let us know at any time and your information will be deleted. If you need to register, or update your details, or are not sure if you have registered, please complete a pink registration form available in the main porch. (Make a note on the top of the form if you are updating details.)

**Marriage Care volunteers needed!** – This Catholic organisation provides marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England and Wales. The Barnet & Enfield Centre needs **Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators** (training is provided); an **Administrator** to help run the Centre's services; and **qualified Relationship Counsellors**. Visit [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) for information or to apply, or email [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk).

**Are you paying less tax?** If you are no longer paying sufficient tax to cover your Gift Aid donations, HMRC may ask you to repay the shortfall. Please let us know if you are no longer able to Gift Aid your offerings to the parish and we will exclude you from our tax claim. If you are paying sufficient tax but have not yet completed a declaration for the money you give to the parish either by numbered envelope or by banker's order, please complete one of the Gift Aid forms available in the main porch. We can then reclaim the tax paid on those offerings. Claims can be backdated by up to four years.