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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: £688.74;
loose: £636.97; total: £1325.71.

Thank you. [WRCDT Reg. Charity no. 233699]

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Dear Parishioners,

Remembrance Sunday this year coincides with the centenary of the signing of the Armistice which brought an end to the hostilities of the First World War. That conflict was described as the "war to end all wars" but sadly that wasn't true. Another World War broke out a couple of decades later, and we continue to see wars and conflicts and violence in most parts of the world. Today we remember especially those who gave their lives in those conflicts so that the rest of us might enjoy freedom and peace. The goal of real peace still seems to be elusive, and it is difficult to achieve while so many in the world suffer injustices of various kinds. Let us pray that the sacrifices made by others may not be in vain, but that we may all continue to support the rights and the dignity of every human being. That is the only way to lasting peace.

May God bless you all,

Fr John Dermody.

Sick and Retired Priests' Fund – This Sunday we have the annual collection to support the needs of priests of this Diocese who are retired or are no longer able to work due to illness. Please be as generous as you can to help the priests who have devoted their lives to serving the Church in this Diocese.

Daphne Payne R.I.P. – Daphne's Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday (13th November) at 10am. Her body will be received into the church on Monday at 7pm. May she rest in peace.

Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch – If you are aware of anyone you think should be invited to this event, on Sunday 9th December, please let us have their name and contact details as soon as possible. Those who were invited in previous years will already be included.

Mary's Meals have written to express gratitude for your donations last weekend. 66 bags of clothing plus £508.97 in cash donations will enable 49 children to be fed for a whole year. There is a letter in the main porch giving details.

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.

Planned Giving envelopes – New boxes of envelopes are available for those who have been using weekly offertory envelopes regularly. They may be collected from the Weekday Chapel before or after Sunday Mass or from the Priests House any morning during the week.

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

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 during the month of November.

Sale of Palestinian Olive Oil and other items, after each Mass next weekend (17/18 November), to support Palestinian Christians in the Holy Land.

Christmas Vigil Mass – There will be a Nativity Presentation by the children during the Vigil Mass at 6pm on Christmas Eve. Rehearsals will take place in the church on the previous three Sundays – 9th, 16th and 23rd December – at 3pm, and will last about 90 minutes. For further information, contact Christine on 07709 721957.

Parish Centenary – 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 Centenary souvenir booklet. Can you help? Other photos of significant events in the parish's history would also be welcomed.

Fire Marshals – Thank you to those who have volunteered to act as Fire Marshals. There will be a training session at St Edward's Church in Golders Green on Tuesday 4th December, 7-9pm. Please let Fr John know if you wish 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 22nd November, between 7-7:30pm. Please come initially to the Weekday Chapel.

St Theresa's Primary School, N3 2TD. Open Days for Reception class 2019: Mon 12 & Wed 14 Nov. at 2pm. Call 020 8346 8826 to arrange visit or request an application pack.

Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary, N12 0JP – Applications are invited for **Reception Class Sept. 2019** for children born 01/9/2014 to 31/8/2015. Deadline 15/01/19. Applications for **Nursery for Sept. 2019** for children born 1/4/2016 to 31/3/2017. Deadline 30/01/19. Download forms at www.olol.barnetschool.org.uk. **Open Day** Wednesday 21 November at 9:30am, 1:30pm and 7pm.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants – Processional Prayer Vigil Sunday 18th 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.

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

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.

Polish Services – Information is available on the Polish-language website www.finchleyparish.co.uk, or email proboszcz@finchleyparish.co.uk. The new Polish Chaplain, Fr Marek Gatuszka, may be contacted on 07984 293753.

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.catholicsingles.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.

Follow Me – This group is especially for adults wishing to participate in the Sacraments or simply to know more about the Catholic Church. It is taking a break now until after Christmas but normally 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 for information or to apply, or email 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.