

St. Philip the Apostle, Finchley Church End

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Service Times this week

Sunday Masses: Saturday: **6:30pm**
Sunday: **9:30am** (*Sung*)
11:30am (*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: loose: £478.59;
envelopes: £374.13; total: £852.72.
Thank you. [WRCDT Reg. Charity no. 233699]

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Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we welcome Fr Frank Nolan who is making this year's Mission Appeal on behalf of the Missionaries of Africa – also known as the White Fathers. This society of priests, brothers and co-operators was established in North Africa in 1868 and has always placed special emphasis on work within Africa. Today most of the Bishops in Africa are Africans, and they are supported by an ever-increasing number of African priests, but the number of African Christians is growing at an even greater rate, so there is still need for support from missionaries from elsewhere. There is a retiring collection after the Masses this weekend to help the work of the Missionaries of Africa.

May God bless you all,

Fr John Dermody.

Mission Appeal – There is a retiring collection this weekend for the Missionaries of Africa (The White Fathers).

Sunday Coffee – Refreshments are served in the Parish Centre after the 9:30 Mass each Sunday but, while the main toilets are being refurbished this month, access is via the passage on the far side of the Parish Centre. Toilets are available at the rear of the hall, beyond the bar area.

Bank Holiday Monday – The Mass on Monday will be at the usual time of 10:00am.

Centenary Mass – The highlight of our Centenary Year will be a Mass celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols on Saturday 14th September at 6:30pm, which will be followed by an informal reception in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Parish History – A commemorative book to mark the Centenary of the parish is available in the Repository. Whilst there is no charge, a donation to cover the costs would be appreciated.

First Holy Communion 2020 – Applications are invited for children who will be in Year 3 (or above) in September and who wish to make their First Holy Communion next year. Families should have been attending St Philip's Church regularly for at least three months before submitting an application. Yellow forms, which are available in the main porch, must be returned by Sunday 15th September and must be accompanied by a Baptism Certificate if the child was not baptised at St Philip's.

Confirmation 2020 - Applications are invited from young people who will be in Year 9 (or above) in September and who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next

year. Forms should be completed by the candidate, who should have been attending St Philip's Church regularly for at least three months before submitting the application. Green forms, which are available in the main porch, must be returned by Sunday 15th September and must be accompanied by a Baptism Certificate, showing the address of the church of Baptism, if the candidate was not baptised at St Philip's.

APF Red Boxes – If you have a red collection box that has not been emptied for a while, please bring it along and hand it in at the Repository at the back of the church. Please make sure that your name is on the label on the bottom of the box. It will be returned after it has been emptied. The contents will be forwarded to the APF.

A Memorial Mass for Father John Ball R.I.P. – is taking place on Thursday 19th September at St. Michael's Catholic Grammar School, Nether Street, North Finchley N12 7NJ at 7pm - followed by refreshments. An email to office@st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk or call (020) 8446 2256; would be helpful if you are planning to attend. All most welcome.

The Justice and Peace group – have received a letter thanking you all for collecting stamps this helps to fund the upkeep of the Helen Keller School, which provides holistic education for visually impaired children. A copy of the letter will now be in each porch - Thank you and please keep up the good work!

Finchley Catholic High School Open Evening – on 10th September from 5.30pm - 8.30pm for 6th form entry, with guided tours and talks by the Headteacher for prospective students.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants – Processional Prayer Vigil: Saturday 14th September, St Patrick's, Soho Square, W1D 4NR. Mass at 9am; procession to Marie Stopes Centre; return for Benediction and shared lunch. See poster or visit www.helpersuk.org.

Retrouvaille residential weekend - a programme on 13th – 15th September for married couples that feel disillusioned or frustrated. The programme has helped 6,000 couples with issues in their marriage in the past year. For more information or to register interest: contact 0788 7296983 or retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com.

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.

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.

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

CAFOD donations & Printer Cartridge Recycling – recycle your used printer cartridges by printing off the Freepost label from <https://therecyclingfactory.com/cafod> and posting your used cartridges - a donation will be made directly to CAFOD for every recycled cartridge received.

Planned Giving envelopes – If you would like to start using envelopes for your weekly offering, please complete one of the salmon-coloured forms from the rack in the main porch. A simple alternative is to give by bank standing order; yellow forms are available in the main porch giving the necessary details. If you are a tax-payer, please also complete a Gift Aid declaration so that we can reclaim the tax you have paid on your offering.

Volunteers requested – The SVP in East Finchley support a weekly soup kitchen at the Baptist Church in Muswell Hill. They are looking for more volunteers to help. No experience required. More information is available on request.

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.

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.)