

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 21st November 2021, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B), Solemnity

Youth Day

10.00am Mass (Deceased relatives and friends of the Okeke family RIP)

3.30pm Mass in the Syro-Malabar rite

6.30pm Mass (David Kelly RIP)

Monday 22nd November, St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr, memorial

Tuesday 23rd November, St. clement I, Pope and Martyr

Wednesday 24th November, St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs, Memorial

6.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm Mass (Artur Kaminski RIP)

Thursday 25th November, St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Friday 26th November, Feria

10.00am Mass (Kathleen Cooney-Wynne RIP)

Saturday 27th November, The Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00am (Deceased parents of John and Mary Barton RIP)

Season of Advent

Sunday 28th November 2021, First Sunday of Advent (C)

10.00am Mass (Rufina Ebenebe's intentions)

3.30pm Mass in the Syro-Malabar rite

6.30pm Mass (Mauree and Robert Reves RIP)

CONFIRMATION 2021 - yesterday 6 young people from our parish, Brenden, Titus, Jennifer, Sebastian, Ewelina and Justin, received the sacrament of Confirmation from Monsignor Canon John O'Toole, the Episcopal Vicar for Kent. We pray that they may be strengthened through the prayers and encouragement of our parish community and that they may give witness to Christ by lives built on faith and love.

SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION MASS - Thereza still has a couple of plates and trays that were left at the end of the reception in the hall so if you are missing anything that you brought along please see her and she will reunite you with it. Can you also check whether you inadvertently picked up anything that isn't yours; we have a couple of items that owners are missing. Thank you.

SILVER JUBILEE SOUVENIR PUBLICATION - if any family have not yet taken their copy of the glossy publication please do so; copies can be found in the church foyer.

ADMISSIONS TO RECEPTION AT ST. SIMON OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

2022 - Please be advised that applications for admission to St Simon's School in September 2022 will be considered very shortly. Any Parents/Legal Guardians with a child whose date of birth falls between **1st September 2017** and **31st August 2018** should make an application no later than Monday 17th January 2022.

As a Catholic Primary School, Parents/Legal Guardians are required to complete a Supplementary Form and an RCAF Local Authority Form, application packs and further information about the application process can be obtained from the school office. Alternatively please access our school website www.st-simon.kent.sch.uk. If you know of any parents who are considering sending their children to St Simon's please can you share this important information with them?

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED - HEAR HER CRIES - Aid to the Church in Need has launched a petition calling on the UK government and the United Nations (UN) to take action to tackle the epidemic of sexual violence against Christian women and girls. The petition highlights the threat Christian women and girls, and women of other religious minorities, face of abduction, rape and forced conversion. Neville Kyrke-Smith, National Director ACN (UK), said: "At Aid to the Church in Need we receive so many disturbing reports about sexual violence against Christian women, often involving forced conversions following abduction and rape. "In a significant number of countries Christian women, and women of other minority faith groups, are extremely vulnerable because of their religious beliefs; predatory men take advantage of their social vulnerability, whilst the authorities or local governors often appear complicit." The 'Hear Her Cries' report will be released on *Red Wednesday (24th November)* which investigates the global problem of women forced to convert, often under pain of death. For more information, and to sign the petition, please go to the ACN website, www.acnuk.org/our-campaigns/redwednesday

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY - for the Catholic Youth Service which supports youth work in the diocese and beyond, especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Services.

COLLECTIONS - Last week - £380.17 (£35.60 Gift Aid + £147.17 loose plate + £197 standing order.) Second collection - Archbishop's Fund for Diocesan Administration £94.06. Thank you. Second collection today - Catholic Youth Service. Second collection next week - Advent Appeal

CHURCH CLEANING

27th November

Elizabeth/Chi

4th December

Emeka/Alice

12th November

Zita/Thereza

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for:

Merrick Boston,
 Ronald Salmon,
 June O'Driscoll,
 Noela Thiebaud,
 Francesca Baker,
 Tricia Coppin,
 Sebastian Burrell,
 Fred Ward,
 Rita Coombs,
 Luke Fellowes,
 Emma Baker,
 Carmen Cachia,
 Baby George
 McQuillan,
 Peter Vokes,
 Agnes
 Perinpanayagam