

St. Bartholomew's Church

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3rd Sunday of the Year

Sunday 24th: 3rd of the Year

6.15 (Sat eve) Private Intention (Hymns)
8.30 Bernard Tierney
10.00 Patsy Moloney (Family Choir)
11.30 Tony Buckley (Hymn Choir)
5.00 All Parishioners

Monday 25th: The Conversion of St Paul

10.00 Bill Hutton

Tuesday 26th: Ss Timothy and Titus

10.00 Audrey Carolin

Mass Times and Intentions

Wednesday 27th:

10.00 Mary Randall

Thursday 28th: St Thomas Aquinas

10.00 Kath Palframan

Friday 29th:

10.00 Requiem for Mary Teresa Lacey

Saturday 30th:

10.00 Leo Portavecchia

Next Sunday 31st: 4th of the Year

6.15 (Sat eve) Fr James Carolin (Hymns)
8.30 Ellen Cranswick
10.00 Welfare of Fr Anthony Charlton (Family Choir)
11.30 Carmelo D'Emanuele (Hymns)
5.00 All Parishioners

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11.00am; 5.00-6.00pm

Morning Prayer of the Church:

Monday - Saturday 9.30am

Sick: John Armstrong, Monica Casey, John Douglas, Brian d'Souza, Len Dunne, Antonio Fernandes, Christina Joel, Ajitha Mahatantila, Karl Maxwell, Pat & Jess Power, Albert Rego, Albert Steiert, Josef Szumilas, Magdalen Sunich, Chris Sweeney, Liz Tivey, Esmlin Williams.

Thank You:

Last week's collection was £1392 and £603 by Standing Order. The collection for Pax Christi was £397.

Recently Deceased - Please pray for the repose of the soul Alexandra D'Costa of Hepworth Road who died on Tuesday. Funeral details to follow. Our sympathy to her sister and family. The Funeral for Leonard Phillips will be on Wednesday 3rd February at 10am.

Church Cleaning This Week: Group 1

Kathleen O'Toole, Eileen McCarthy, Ena Holland, Mary Icheke, Sharon Leonidas, Aine Rodrigues

This Sunday

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Life Coffee Morning in the Hall after 10am and 11.30am Masses.

Unity Service 6.30pm at Norbury Baptist Church, Semley Road.

CAFOD Second Collection for the victims of the Haiti Earthquake, please be as generous as you can.

Welcome

We welcome into the Church through baptism Nicole Wemambu.

Next Sunday

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Education Sunday

Education Sunday is a national day of prayer and celebration for all those involved in offering a fuller life to our children and young adults by helping them to learn and grow. It is also a day to celebrate our teachers, support staff and governors and to thank them for their contribution to Catholic Education.

Second Collection for the Catholic Education Service.

Polyphony Choir Coffee Morning after all morning Masses. Super Sausage Sunday!

This Week

Wednesday 27th

Journey in Faith meet at 8pm in the Priest's House. Theme: Sign and Sacrament.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Please remember to collect your Rota available at the back of the Church.

Thursday 28th

UCM - Attend 10am Mass followed by coffee in the Meeting Room. Please note change of day.

Saturday 30th

First Communion Programme - for Children 10am in the St Charles Room.

Baptism Course 3 - 4pm in the Church.

Guild of St Stephen Medal Ceremony

We will be enrolling new members into the Guild of St Stephen at 10am Mass on Saturday February 6th 2009

If you think you should be receiving a medal, and have been serving Mass for at least a year, please write your name on the list in the Sacristy.

A final list of those servers selected to receive their medal will be shown on the notice board at the end of January.

Dates for your Diary

Multicultural Evening Saturday 6th February from after the 6.15pm Mass to 10.30pm. Parishioners are invited to bring a national dish from their country to share. Please bring your own drinks, soft drinks will be available.

Thank you to those people who have offered to help setting up and clearing up. Setting up will take place from 4pm on Saturday. Offers of help are still welcome.

Senior Citizens Social - Sunday 16th May 5.30pm - 9pm More details later.

Parish Dinner Dance. Saturday 16th October at Bishop Thomas Grant School. More details nearer to the date.

We had St Agnes's feast on Thursday

According to tradition, Saint Agnes was a member of the Roman nobility born c. 291 and raised in a Christian family. She suffered martyrdom at the age of twelve or thirteen on 21st January 304.

The Prefect Sempronius wished Agnes to marry his son and, on Agnes' refusal, he condemned her to death. As Roman law did not permit the execution of virgins, Sempronius had a naked Agnes dragged through the streets to a brothel. As she prayed, her hair grew and covered her body. When led out to die, she was tied to a stake but the bundle of wood would not burn, whereupon the officer in charge of the troops drew his sword and beheaded her or, in some other texts, stabbed her in the throat. She did not want to marry but wanted to have God in her life.

An interesting custom is observed on her feast day. Two lambs are brought from the Trappist abbey of Tre Fontane in Rome to the Pope to be blessed. On Holy Thursday they are shorn, and from the wool is woven the pallium which the pope gives to a newly consecrated metropolitan archbishop as a sign of his jurisdiction and his union with the Pope.

. . . . Just thought you'd like to hear an ancient tale of fortitude

It's ending might prompt prayers for a new Archbishop.

Parish Diary

Parish Catholic Diary (FREE) - Since it is the end of January please help yourself to a copy.

Do go and take a look in the Repository it has a number of Catholic items.