



# SAINT JOHN FISHER KIDBROOKE

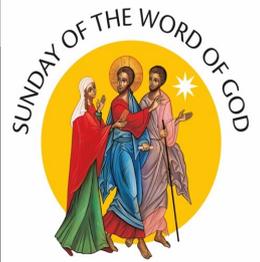
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Daily Mass will continue to be live streamed at 9.30am Monday-Saturday and at 10am on Sunday until further notice.

## THIRD SUNDAY: YEAR B: Sunday of the Word of God: 24 JANUARY 2021

<b>Sunday, 24 Jan</b>	6.00pm	<b>Sean Burns RIP</b>	(Ciarán and Barbara Burns)
	10.00am	<b>Stephen Monkcom RIP</b>	(Rev David Daly)
	5.00pm	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
<b>Monday, 25 Jan</b>	9.30am	<b>Sr Francis's intentions - birthday</b>	(Mary Greenfield and family)
		<b>Ollie Gilmour RIP - birthday</b>	(Mary Greenfield and family)
		<b>Roddy Feeney RIP - birthday</b>	(Kitty Lehane)
		<i>Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle</i>	
<b>Tuesday, 26 Jan</b>	9.30am	<b>Monty Bakelmun RIP - birthday</b>	(Bakelmuns)
		<i>Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops, Memorial</i>	
<b>Wednesday, 27 Jan</b>	9.30am	<b>Mary Griffiths RIP - 14th anniversary</b>	(Anne Romano & family) <i>Feria</i>
<b>Thursday, 28 Jan</b>	9.15am	<b>Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</b>	
	9.30am	<b>James &amp; Caroline Cott's well being</b>	(Tim & Ellen Cott) <i>Feria</i>
		<i>St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Memorial</i>	
<b>Friday, 29 Jan</b>	9.30am	<b>Connie Sta Maria De Silva RIP</b>	(Keith & Lettie Phillips) <i>Feria</i>
<b>Saturday, 30 Jan</b>	9.00am	<b>Rosary and Benediction</b>	
	9.30am	<b>James &amp; Mary Gallagher RIP</b>	(Mary Savage & family) <i>Feria</i>

## FOURTH SUNDAY: YEAR B: Racial Justice Sunday : 31 JANUARY 2021

*Second collection for the Catholic Association for Racial Justice : taken to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society*

<b>Sunday, 31 Jan</b>	6.00pm	<b>Sr Francis's intentions</b>	(Tim & Ellen Cott)
	10.00am	<b>For Ian, who is very unwell, and his family</b>	(Richard Honeywill)
	5.00pm	<b>People of the Parish</b>	

**Please Remember to Pray for the Sick and the Housebound:** Karon Phillips-Allen, Monica Whitaker, Rachel Camozzi-Jones, Jackie Rennie, Joe Grandy, Agnes Parker, Alan Fitzsimons, Trixie Durey, Sandra Newman, Margaret Bondareko, Lucas Lekule, Mike Harris, Catherine Leeper, Joanna Connors, Annette Bain, Angelita (Lili) Mendoza, Camillo Atampugre, Joseph Many, Doreen Grandon, Anthony O'Doherty, Thelma Harnett, Anna Mellon, Maria Mottau, Danielle Papie, Mary Grace Cruz, Tina Borland, Sadie Felton, Barbara Hills, Sean Needham, Olympia Balugay, Lewis Usher, Luigi Rispoli, Sr Francis, Celia Hayward, Andrew Ronayne, Javier Carpentier, Colman Joyce, Kate, Iris Chase, Brian Kieran, Andrew Nkunika, Bejaxin Noble Mesmin, Danny Connelly, Poppy Beck, Michelina Scialo (Luigi's Mum), Josephine Azzopardi, Therese Rodrigo and all those not listed here.

**We remember** all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time. May their souls rest in peace.

**Coronavirus Prayer**—to be recited at all Masses

“Dear Lord, at this time of pandemic we ask you to protect our families, our country and our brothers and sisters around the world. We ask you to be with us when we feel vulnerable, frightened or ill. We pray especially for those who are suffering with the virus, for those who care for them and for those whom you have called to their heavenly home. Help us to remember that we are all created by you and to reach out to those in need, especially the sick, the lonely and the bereaved. We especially thank you for enabling a vaccine to be found and pray that it will be safe and effective and that it will be shared equally. Send your Spirit on us, and give us hope, strength and courage to look to a future of justice and equality. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord, Amen.”

**Pope Francis Twitter message:** “Each one of us Christians is a branch of the one vine which is Jesus; and all of us together are called to bear the fruits of this common membership in Christ.”

**Message from Fr Anton.** I pray that you and your families are well and keeping safe. Please continue to keep all those suffering with the virus in our prayers as well as those who have lost their lives and their families who mourn their loss. We also continue to pray that the vaccination programme will be successful in reducing the level of infection. So please, continue to **maintain a distance of at least one metre and ensure that face coverings are worn** inside the church. Please support the Stewards by following their advice. I am continuing to live stream one mass each day to enable those of you who are not able to attend mass, for whatever reason, to join in through Zoom. If you would like to do so, please contact me for details.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** - We hope to finalise details for this programme shortly and will keep you informed. But, in the meantime, if you, or anyone you know, are interested in finding out more, please do not hesitate to contact Fr Anton.

**First Communion and Confirmation Programme 2021** - watch this space.

#### **Parish Finances:**

**Parish Collection w/e 17 January 2021 = £497.35**

**Thank you for your generosity and thank you also** to everyone who has been donating their weekly offering by standing order and also to those who have been donating on the JustGiving page. If you haven't already done so please consider setting up a standing order (bank details below) as it is the easiest way to make your weekly donation and again if you are a UK taxpayer, please remember to **gift aid it**. The Parish bank details are below:

**Bank details:** Stipends (donations for mass intentions) weekly offerings or donations towards the Church refurbishment Project, may also be made via bank transfer or standing order. Please specify on the transfer the nature of your donation.

**Bank : NatWest. Branch: Blackheath and Westcombe Park**

**Account name: RCAS Re: Kidbrooke Catholic Church**

**Account number: 34 19 58 58                      Sort Code: 60-23-27**

**Church Building and Refurbishment Fund:** The fund stands at **£17,778.75**. Keep up the good work and help us reach our target. And if you gift aid your donation, HMRC will give us 25p for every £1 you donate.

#### **Some of the Frequently asked Questions about the Mass structure and meaning - this week we will deal with the Introductory rites and Liturgy of the Word**

##### **Introductory Rites**

The Mass begins with the entrance song. The celebrant and other ministers enter in procession and reverence the altar with a bow and/or a kiss. **The altar is a symbol of Christ** at the heart of the assembly and so deserves this special reverence.

All make the **Sign of the Cross** and the celebrant extends a greeting to the gathered people in words taken from Scripture.

**The Act of Penitence** follows the greeting. At the very beginning of the Mass, the faithful recall their sins and place their trust in God's abiding mercy. The Act of Penitence includes the *Kyrie Eleison*, a Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy." This litany recalls God's merciful actions throughout history. On Sundays, especially in the Season of Easter, in place of the customary Act of Penitence, from time to time the blessing and sprinkling of water to recall Baptism may take place.

On Sundays and solemnities, **the Gloria follows the Act of Penitence**. The *Gloria* begins by echoing the song of the angels at the birth of Christ: "Glory to God in the highest!" In this ancient hymn, the gathered assembly joins the heavenly choirs in offering praise and adoration to the Father and Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

**The Introductory Rites conclude with the Opening Prayer, also called the Collect.** The celebrant invites the gathered assembly to pray and, after a brief silence, proclaims the prayer of the day. The Opening Prayer gives a context for the celebration.

##### **Liturgy of the Word**

Most of the Liturgy of the Word is made up of readings from Scripture. On Sundays and solemnities, there are three Scripture readings. During most of the year, the first reading is from the Old Testament and the second reading is from one of the New Testament letters. During the Easter season, the first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles which tells the story of the Church in its earliest days. The last reading is always taken from one of the four Gospels.

In the **Liturgy of the Word, the Church feeds the people of God from the table of his Word** (cf. *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, no. 51). The Scriptures are the word of God, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. In the Scriptures, God speaks to us, leading us along the path to salvation.

The **Responsorial Psalm** is sung between the readings. The psalm helps us to meditate on the word of God. **The high point of the Liturgy of the Word is the reading of the Gospel.** Because the Gospels tell of the life, ministry, and preaching of Christ, it receives several special signs of honour and reverence. The gathered assembly stands to hear the Gospel and it is introduced by an acclamation of praise. During most of the year, that acclamation is "**Alleluia!**" derived from a Hebrew phrase meaning "**Praise the Lord!**" A deacon (or, if no deacon is present, a priest) reads the Gospel.

After the Scripture readings, the celebrant preaches the homily. In the homily, the preacher focuses on the Scripture texts or some other texts from the liturgy, drawing from them lessons that may help us to live better lives, more faithful to Christ's call to grow in holiness. In many Masses, the **Nicene Creed follows the homily**. The Nicene Creed is **a statement of faith** dating from the fourth century. In certain instances, the Nicene Creed may be replaced by the Apostles' Creed (the ancient baptismal creed of the Church in Rome) or by a renewal of baptismal promises, based on the Apostles' Creed.

The **Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Prayer of the Faithful** or the General Intercessions. The gathered assembly intercedes with God on behalf of the Church, the world, and themselves, entrusting their needs to the faithful and loving God.