



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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE: YEAR A: 26 NOVEMBER 2023: YOUTH DAY
 Second collection: for the Catholic Youth Services - which supports youth work in the Diocese and beyond especially the Catholic Youth Service

Sunday, 26 Nov	6.00pm	Ted and Margaret Riley RIP (John Riley and family)	
	10.00am	Deceased parents, family and friends of the Gallagher & Greenfield families (Mary Greenfield and family)	
	5.00pm	Martin O'Brien RIP (Celine Conaghan) People of the Parish	
Monday, 27 Nov	9.30am	Peter Allen RIP (Mary Greenfield and family)	<i>Feria</i>
Tuesday, 28 Nov	9.30am	Deceased relatives and friends of the Barlow and Romano families (Anne Romano and family)	<i>Feria</i>
Wed., 29 Nov	9.30am	Deceased members, family and friends of the Sebastian family (Jacinta and family)	<i>Feria</i>
Thursday, 30 Nov	9.30am	Eternal rest on all the deceased members of the Adeniran, Kirui, Matondo and Egboosiuba families (Eugenia Ogbah) <i>Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland</i>	
Friday, 1 Dec	9.30am	Sheila Gilmour RIP - birthday (Mary Greenfield and family)	<i>Feria</i>
Saturday, 2 Dec	7.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction	
	9.00am	Rosary and Benediction	
	9.30am	John Jones RIP & Teresa Thomas RIP (Clare Thomas) Nicola Ghiani RIP (Sylvia Kolu)	<i>Feria</i>

THE SEASON OF ADVENT
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: YEAR B: 3 DECEMBER 2023
(The new Lectionary cycle begins, that is (B), the year of Mark)

Sunday, 3 Dec	6.00pm	Peter Allen RIP (Tom & Kath Smith)	
	10.00am	Maria Mottau's intentions (Mary Greenfield and family) God's guidance, love, protection and special intention on Jay-Jay Alex Achebe (His Mum and Catherine Azuka and family)	
	5.00pm	People of the Parish	

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick and the Housebound: Karon Phillips-Allen, Monica Whitaker, Rachel Camozzi-Jones, Jackie Rennie, Agnes Parker, Alan Fitzsimons, Sandra Newman, Margaret Bondareko, Catherine Leeper, Joanna Connors, Annette Bain, Angelita (Lili) Mendoza, Camillo Atampugre, Joseph Many, Anthony O'Doherty, Thelma Harnett, Anna Mellon, Maria Mottau, Mary Grace Cruz, Sadie Felton, Olympia Balugay, Lewis Usher, Luigi Rispoli, Sr Francis, Celia Hayward, Andrew Ronayne, Colman Joyce, Kate, Iris Chase, Brian Kieran, Andrew Nkunika, Bejaxin Noble Mesmin, Danny Connelly, Shane Kelly, Michael De Lima, Mechelle Urgate Jayawickrema, James Cabatu, Erlinda Vecino, Marian McGowan, Anne Kieran, Agnes Forde, Therese Rodrigo, Margaret Queen, Judy Fernando, Margaret Lucking, Eddy Holsgrove, Carole Hayward and all those not listed here.

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

Holy Father's intentions for December : We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Words of wisdom from Pope Francis: "Let us pray for peace: peace in the world and in each of our hearts."

Message from Fr Anton: I wish you all a blessed week. Please continue to pray for peace in our world and especially at this time in the Holy Lands. Next Sunday, marks the beginning of the Season of Advent. It is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, not just Christmas presents and parties. Let us spend some time this week, reflecting on what we each can do, spiritually, to make it the best Christmas and to remember the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

RCIA 2023/24 programme (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), is a **process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church**. The RCIA programme is also open to those who have been baptised but who have not entered into full communion. **The programme in our Parish is now underway but if you know someone** who might be interested, it is not too late to join in the 2023/24 programme. Please ask them to complete a form which can be found in the porch and post it through the presbytery or have a word with Fr Anton.

First Holy Communion Programme 2024 - if your child is in Year 3 and above and has never received First Holy Communion and wishes to do so, please collect a form from the church porch and post it through the Presbytery letterbox by **no later than Sunday, 31 December 2023**. Please ensure the forms are completed clearly. The programme is likely to begin in January. Watch this space for more details.

Confirmation Programme 2024 - application forms for the 2024 programme are now in the porch. If you are in Year 8 and above, have already received Communion and are interested in joining our Confirmation programme, please complete an application form and post it through the Presbytery letterbox by **no later than Sunday, 31 December 2023**. **Parents, please ensure that you discuss this application with your child and that it is their wish to be confirmed**. We hope to begin this programme in the first week of January. Watch this space for more information.

Date for your diary: 17 December 2023 immediately after the 10am Mass - Children's Nativity Play and carols.

Remembrance Tree - there will be a blessing of the tree and prayers for all those whose names are attached to it after this Sunday's 10am Mass.

Book of Remembrance - the Book remains open throughout the year and names may be added at any time. If you wish to include the name of a deceased loved one or friend, please send their name and the relevant day (birthday or anniversary of death) printed in BLOCK CAPITALS, to the office together with a donation of around £5 for each entry. All funds raised will go towards the refurbishment fund.

Social Committee - there will be tea and coffee in the Hall after this Sunday's, 10am Mass. Do come along and meet your fellow parishioners over a hot tea or coffee.

Pies - will again be on sale after the 10am Sunday Mass. All money raised will go towards our Church refurbishment works.

Christmas Raffle - tickets for the Christmas Raffle are on sale now. However, the Social Committee still need your donations. **You will find a box in the porch for all donations e.g. new and unwanted gifts, chocolates, wine, spirits etc.** Cash donations are also welcome. Please make sure your donation is clearly marked "Christmas Raffle."

Repository - it has been restocked for Christmas with cards and other religious items and small gifts. Please take a look and support the Church by buying your Christmas cards from here.

Parish Finances: w/e 19 November 2023: £716.74. Thank you for your generosity. 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**. Since our last appeal, a number of parishioners have signed up. The Parish bank details are as follows:

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: We are hoping to start work on the toilets in the Church shortly. Remember no matter how big or small, every contribution helps. Why not donate any loose change into the refurbishment fund basket or go to the Justgiving Page at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stjohnfisherkidbrooke>, or **pick up a 5p Pot (lots of pots in the porch) and collect your 5ps or other coins. All donations gratefully received.**

Greg Dunne - An Encounter with God

Greg Dunne is from Dublin, Ireland. In 1998, after an incredible act of forgiveness, Greg had an encounter with the Lord. God healed and infused him with knowledge of the Holy Trinity, Salvation History and Divine Will. In 2019, the Lord asked Greg to share his testimony with the world. To date he has spoken in Ireland, Scotland, Florida and has invited to Australia in 2024. His story is one of profound encounters with God, of forgiveness and of living the fulfilment of the Our Father Prayer-Living God's Will on Earth as they do in Heaven! Greg shares his story with a beautiful authenticity. His sincerity, warmth and gentle humour will leave you wanting to hear more. **On Saturday, 9th December 2023, Greg will share his story in our parish church. He will join us for 9.30am Mass and will begin his talk shortly after. The talk will finish at 4pm.** Please bring a packed lunch. Tea/Coffee will be available.