



ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK
ST FRANCIS DE SALES & ST GERTRUDE CHURCH

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23rd November 2025: Christ the King of the Universe Sunday (Year C)

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3. Psalm 122:1-2. 4-5. 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:12-20. Gospel: Luke 23:35-43.

2nd Collection: **Catholic Youth Services**

NEXT:

DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS
Sat-22 nd	18.30	Eileen Kearns-RIP
Sun-23 rd	09.00	Rev'd Samuel Holman Biney-RIP Family Dooknah, Iron Family, Dansant Family, Sanyade Family & Friends-Family Intention
	11.00	People of the Parish
Mon-24 th	09:30	
Tues-25 th	09.30	Deceased members of Utomi's Family-RIP
Wed-26 th	09.30	
Thur-27 th	09.30	
Fri-28 th	09.30	
Sat-29 th	18.30	
Sun-30 th	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Rita Nwanze & Family-Thanksgiving
PARISHIONERS' BIRTHDAYS		
22 nd -28 th	Rita Nwanze/24 th , Alice Nkosana/25 th , Marie-Chantale Bemianh/25 th , Catherine Biney/28 th , Naiomi Tamakloe/29 th	
PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS		
Sarah Madden, Crystal L, Andrew O'Neill, Patrick Idama, Marie Kallon, Michael McGrath and all our housebound.		
OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 16/11/2025		
Gift Aid	Loose	Total
£174.80	£193.05	£ 367.85

STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBIT

Offerings can be made by envelope, contactless machine, direct debit or standing order.

NATWEST ACCOUNT: RCAS STOCKWELL.
NO: 28975553; SORT CODE 60-20-31

ARCHBISHOP JOHN'S ADVENT 2025

REFLECTION: This Advent, Archbishop John is calling us on to reflect on the "astounding truth" that the "Lord Jesus is, and always will be, Emmanuel: God with us, God beside us, God within us". In a video reflection, Archbishop John said that: "to say God is with us is not poetry but power. It means that the Lord Jesus stepped into our humanity so that we might step into his divinity. It means that God is no distant deity, but one who draws near; who shares our joys and carries our sorrows; who opens heaven to earth, and earth to heaven". You can watch his full reflection at rcaos.org.uk/advent2025.

ROOTED IN LOVE: Rooted in Love is a programme for married and engaged couples to meet online monthly. Want to grow closer as a couple while deepening your faith and meeting new people? All engaged and married couples are invited to a **monthly online meeting** where we share friendship, reflect on real-life topics, and pray together as we grow in love rooted in Christ. **Dates:** 27 November at 8.30pm, 11 December at 8.30pm. Further dates will be available in January 2026. Email mfikent@rcaos.org.uk to sign up or receive more information.

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE: The Southwark Catholic Youth Service has a number of upcoming activities for youth and young adults. For regular updates on forthcoming events, sign up to its network at www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork. For queries on youth activities email youth@rcaos.org.uk

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr Michael Faneye, MSP: Parish Priest
 Mr Charles Madden: PPC Chair
 Mrs Catherine Biney: Finance
 Mrs Sade Onile-Ere: Safeguarding, Catechist
 Mr Patrick Sanniez: Sacristan

Office Hours:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30am– 1:30pm

ORDER OF MASS

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Resp. Psalm	p.167
2 nd Reading	p. 168
Gospel	p.168
I believe in	p.11
Our Father	p.56

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY 2025: The second collection on this Sunday of Christ the King will support youth pastoral work in the Archdiocese and beyond, especially the work of the Southwark Catholic Youth Service, which provides a variety of activities for youth and young adults.

REFLECTING TOGETHER

ADVENT 2025- FROM NAZARETH TO BETHLEHEM: Bible Reflection will begin again in the Convent during Advent. This year the format will be slightly different and the various characters in the Biblical Story will be presented to us by our lay Holy Family Members. Each session will begin with tea at 3.30pm and end with a short time of silence and prayer and a celebration together.

Sunday 30th November: The Village of Nazareth

Sunday 14th December: The City of Bethlehem

Venue: Holy Family Convent, 36 Albert Square, SW8 1BZ. Email: lrena.hfe@gmail.com 02077354751

RETURN OF RED BOXES: The deadline for the return of FULL MISSIO red boxes is 1st December 2025. Please return these boxes and complete the white counterfoil at the bottom of each box. If this is not completed then a receipt for your donation cannot be sent to the Parishioner. Thank you all for your continued support.

RCIA PROGRAMME: The programme Registration is open at the Parish office for those who wish to become Catholics or speak with the Parish Priest.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES: Forms are available on the rack at the Atrium and also online for download, to be completed and returned to the Parish office or given to the Parish Priest.

GUILD OF ALTAR SERVERS RALLY 2026: The annual rally for Southwark Altar Servers is taking place at Aylesford on 4 May 2026.

GRIEF IN LOSS RETREAT 2026: 20-22 March 2026. For anyone who has experienced bereavement, either recently or some time ago. Grieve, remember, hope and give thanks for your loved ones in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus. Call 01622 717272 or email reception@thefriars.org.uk to book and find out more.