



ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

ST FRANCIS DE SALES & ST GERTRUDE CHURCH

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The Weekly Newsletter is available in our Parish Website

28th December 2025: Holy Family Sunday (Year A)1st Reading: Sirach 3:3-6, 12-14. Psalm 128:1-2. 3. 4-5. 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:12-21. Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23.2nd Collection:

DAY	TIME	INTENTIONS
Sat-27 th	18.30	Bridget Kelly-RIP
Sun-28 th	09.00	Fatima Balogun Ndukwu-RIP
	11.00	Catherine Biney and Family-Thanksgiving
Mon-29 th	09:30	People of the Parish
Tues-30 th	09.30	
Wed-31 st	23:00	
Thur-1 st	10:00	
Fri-2 nd	09.30	
Sat-3 rd	18.30	Jamesy & Teresa Kearney-RIP
Sun-4 th	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	

PARISHIONERS' BIRTHDAYS

27 th -2 nd	Feven Woldemariam/30 th , Kenechi Nwokoro/31 st , George Manu/31 st , Femi E. Adekpo/e/2 nd .
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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sarah Madden, Crystal L, Andrew O'Neill, Patrick Idama, Marie Kallon, Michael McGrath and all our housebound.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – 21/12/2025

Gift Aid	Loose	Total
£182.00	£180.92	£ 362.92

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

DONA- Please use DONA Contactless device in the Atrium, or scan this QR Code



2025 CHRISTMAS LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Mass
Wednesday, 31 st December	11pm	Midnight Mass
Thursday, 1 st January 2026	10 am	New Year's Day Mass

UPCOMING FEASTS

DATE	FEAST
28/12/25	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Feast)
29/12/25	St. Thomas of Canterbury (Feast)
1/01/26	Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Solemnity)
6/01/26	The Epiphany of the Lord (Solemnity)
11/01/26	The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026
SOUTHWARK DIOCESE: Join our pilgrimage to Lourdes travelling overnight by luxury coach from 9th to 14th February 2026. Leaving Slough and Ealing Broadway on 9th February 2026 and departing Lourdes on 13th February for a visit to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Rue de Bac, Paris on 14th February morning and arriving in London later on 14th February 2026. Travel, full board and program cost £590. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more info.

NEXT: Maintenance of St. George's Cathedral (25/1/26)

PASTORAL TEAM	ORDER OF MASS
Fr Michael Faneye, MSP: Parish Priest	I Confess p.8
Mr Charles Madden: PPC Chair	1 st Reading p.106
Mrs Catherine Biney: Finance	Resp. Psalm p.107
Mrs Sade Onile-Ere: Safeguarding, Catechist	2 nd Reading p. 107
Mr Patrick Sanniez: Sacristan	Gospel p.108
Office Hours:	I believe in p.11
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30am– 1:30pm	Our Father p.56

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENCE IN CHURCH: This is a **SPECIAL APPEAL** to all: Out of **REVERENCE** for the presence of the Holy Eucharist in the Tabernacle and for the sake of those who want to pray and/or are praying, we gently appeal that all conversation/chatting, etc. after mass should take place at the **Atrium** not inside the **Church or in front of the Altar/Tabernacle**. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

WORLD DAY OF PEACE MESSAGE 1 JANUARY 2026 FROM POPE LEO XIV

2026 FROM POPE LEO XIV: The World Day of Peace is observed each year on January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Since its establishment in 1967 by Pope St Paul VI, the Popes have taken the occasion to offer magisterial reflections in Messages for the day, dealing with topics such as the United Nations, human rights, diplomacy, and economic development. Please scan the QR Code below to read the full message.



NEW YEAR GREETINGS: Happy New Year to each one of you our beloved Parishioners. We wish you joy, prosperity, fresh starts, and good health in this coming year 2026.

CATHOLIC EVENTS: Please find and stay connected to your Catholic community. Discover retreats, talks and events near you, all in one place! Scan the QR Code to get more details.



ATTENTION: The piano in the Church is not in good condition. We appeal that the door to access it be kept closed. Please do not force to open it. Thanks for your understanding.

NOTICE TO ALL READERS: Readers are kindly encouraged to **announce** the Response to the Psalm **two/three** times to the congregation for them to be able to follow.

ORBITUARY: We regret to announce the passing away of Bridget Kelly on 21st December 2025 at the hospital. Let us pray for the repose of her soul.