

S.SILAS THE MARTYR AND THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, KENTISH TOWNPresbytery: Tel and Fax 020 7485 3727. Website: www.saintsilas.org.uk E mail: ssmktw@gmail.comNews sheet for the week beginning 3rd December 2017

Sunday 3rd ADVENT I	9.30am PARISH MASS (with Crèche/Sunday School) (H.T) 11.00am PARISH MASS (with Sunday School) (S.S) 6.00pm Said Mass and Benediction (S.S) R. & L. 8.45am; V. 5.30pm	Pro populo Pro populo Harold Rabson R.I.P.
Monday 4 th S John Damascene	12 noon Mass (S.S) R. & L. 7.30am; V. 5.30pm	Norman Higginson R.I.P.
Tuesday 5 th Feria	12 noon Mass (S.S) 3.00pm Mass at Maitland Park R. & L. 7.30am;	Alice Mary Hunt R.I.P. The Residents
Wednesday 6 th S. Nicholas	8.00am Mass (S.S) R. & L. 7.30am;	Children in this Parish
Thursday 7 th S Ambrose	10.00am Mass (S.S) R. & L. 7.30am	Ethan Evan Jones R.I.P.
Friday 8th THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY	9.30am Mass (School: H.T) 12 noon Mass (S,S) 7.30pm SOLEMN MASS (S.S) R. & L. 7.30am; V. 7.00pm	Our school Osondu and Sandra Pro populo
Saturday 9 th S. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin	10.00am Mass (Latin) (S.S) R. & L. 9.30am; V. 6.00pm	Walsingham
Next Sunday 10th ADVENT II	9.30am PARISH MASS (with Crèche/Sunday School) (H.T) 11.00am PARISH MASS (with Sunday School) (S.S) 6.00pm Said Mass and Benediction (S.S) R. & L. 8.45am; V. 5.30pm	

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Confessions: Friday 6.15pm, Saturday 10.30am or by appointment.

TODAY we begin a new year in the Church. There is an opportunity to venerate a Relic of S. Francis Xavier after the 11.00am Mass, whose Feast normally occurs today. There will be a retiring collection towards the cost of flowers for Christmas. After Mass, there will be refreshments in the Church Hall and we hope you will be able to stay. Marlene will be selling tickets for the Christmas Cake Raffle, to be drawn at Holy Trinity after the Carol Service there: all proceeds to Holy Trinity Building Fund. Also during coffee there will be the next of our Study Groups. Following on from the last session, we shall consider how Jesus becomes present during the Mass in the gifts we place on the Altar, and how this helps us to understand the meaning of Remembrance.

THIS FRIDAY we celebrate how God prepared the way for the birth of his Son through Mary. I hope that many of our regulars will make the effort to get to Mass on that day. The preacher at the Solemn Mass will be Fr Guy Willis, the Assistant Priest at S. Alban's, Holborn and that mass will be followed by some refreshments.

OUR NEXT SALE is on Saturday 3rd March, 12.30 – 2.00pm: please make a note of the date now so that you can be there to help! It sounds a long way off but will soon come round.

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS Christmas Day this year falls on a Monday. The masses will therefore be as follows:

Sunday 24 th	Advent IV	9.30am PARISH MASS at Holy Trinity 11.00am PARISH MASS at S. Silas 4.00pm Carol Service at S. Silas 6.00pm Mass of the Vigil at S. Silas
Monday 25 th	The Nativity of Our Lord	12 midnight SOLEMN MASS OF MIDNIGHT at S. Silas 9.30am SOLEMN MASS OF THE DAWN at Holy Trinity 11.00am SOLEMN MASS OF THE DAY AND BENEDICTION at S. Silas No evening Mass

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2018 Booking forms ARE NOW available at the back of Church for the Lourdes Pilgrimage, which is from 6th – 10th August 2018. We shall be flying from Stansted mid-morning on the Monday and returning by early evening on the Friday. Places will be on a first come, first served basis. How good it is that a number of our people are thinking of coming on it.

PLEASE PRAY FOR all who are sick especially Doreen Williams, Rosaline Arthur, Lorraine McQueen, Leslie Burrows, Pauline Smith, Peter Lister, Doreen Moodie, Janet Gillam, Marquis Coker and Gill Bell; for Holy Trinity and S. Silas School; for peace in the world; for those who mourn and for the departed especially Diane Moore, Graham Walden (Bp) (recently departed) and William Johnson, Frank Hughes, Harold Rabson, Horace Eldon, Norman Higginson, Julia Osborne, Walter Cole (Pr), Ethan Evan-Jones, Wolfgang Hepner, Ernest Draper, Irene Brooker, Juliette Gallard, Marjorie Lumley, Alice Hunt George Beattie, Denis Taylor, Edmund Carter, H.H. Princess Marie Louise and Laurence King.