



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Deptford.
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Thirtieth Sunday 29th October to 4th November 2023

9.00am Intentions: Valentine Ozurumba (RIP), John Crammond (RIP).

11.00 am Intentions: All parishioners.

6.30pm Intentions: All parishioners.

Weekday Adoration and Masses

Weekdays Adoration: Tuesday - Friday 8.00 – 8.50 am

Weekday Masses: 9.00am

**For this Saturday only Adoration and Benediction:
8.00am - 8.50am**

Saturday Mass: 9.00am

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday 30th: Father's Day off—No Mass.

Tuesday 31st: For the people of God.

Wednesday 1st: All Saints Day: Holy Day of Obligation.

There will be two masses: 9.00am and 7.00pm

Thursday 2nd: All Souls Day

There will be two masses: 9.00am and 7.00pm

Friday 3rd: For the people of God.

Saturday 4th: Adoration is at 8.00am & Mass at 9.00am

Deceased members of Midagbodji (Special intentions).

Confession: Saturdays No Confession on this Saturday.

Parish Office Hours:

9:30am - 1:30pm Tuesdays to Fridays.

Parish Bookshop: Opens every Sunday after the 9.00am & 11.00am Masses.

Coffee Morning: There is Coffee Morning every Sunday after the 9.00am Mass. You are all welcome.

CAFOD *Emergency Appeal*

Donate to the Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

The terrible situation in Israel and occupied Palestinian territory is tearing lives apart. Your donation today will allow CAFOD to provide urgent, practical help to the families who need it, as soon as it's safe to do so. You can donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/?form=israelipalestiniancrisis

Weekly Offertory 15th - 21st October (Cash & DONA)

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £721.22

Thank you

2nd Collection & Gift Aid: £820.52

Thank you

(For Missionary of St. Paul)

Mass stipend: £30.00

Thank you

Building Fund: £19.66

Thank you

Total: £1,591.40

Contribution/Donation to the Parish

Parishioners who wish to contribute to support the church can choose the different ways to donate. More information can be found on parish website under Donate https://ola-rcdeptford.org.uk/?page_id=24

Bank Transfer

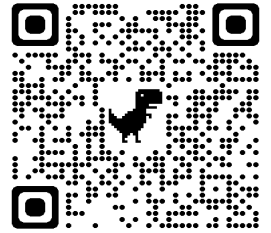
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Sort Code: **60-13-10**

Account number: **42-11-11-53**

DONA

Please use DONA Contactless device in the church and Narthex, or scan the QR code above:



Easy Fund Raising

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www.easyfundraising.org.uk



On-line Mass Bookings

We would like to remind parishioners to use the online mass booking form when you are paying mass via DONA or bank transfer. **Please enter the name of the person in DONA and in the bank reference.** You can find the **Mass Bookings** form on the top menu on our website https://ola-rcdeptford.org.uk/?page_id=157

References For Bank Transfer

Please state collection name in the reference: 1st Collection (Gift Aid or not), 2nd Col (Gift Aid or not), Mass Stipend, Holy Souls, Building Fund, Presbytery, Poor Souls etc.

Teenagers Confirmation Preparation Has Started

Teenagers and Youths confirmation preparation will resume on Saturday 4th November at 1.00pm. We are still receiving new candidates to join.

St. Michael the Archangel Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, oh Prince of the Heavenly hosts. By the Power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wonder through the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

Deadline for Newsletter

Parishioners are requested to submit items for the newsletter by **Thursday afternoon at 2pm**. We will be publishing the following week's newsletter on Saturday afternoon at 4.00pm on the parish website where it will be available for download. Please ensure you submit your request on time.

Dates for your Diary

5th November: SMA Mission Appeal Day.

25th November: Baptism in Church at 2.00pm

16th December: Baptism in Church at 2.00pm

All baptism forms should be completed and returned two weeks before your chosen date. Baptism preparation is mandatory for parents of all candidates for baptism. Please if you cannot attend this mandatory baptism preparation session, try consider moving your chosen baptism date to the following month.

All Saints 1st November

Would we really want to be a saint? Would we really want to be one of those 'impossible to believe' 'too good to be true' sort of people? When something seems too difficult, we have a tendency to 'switch off'. If something is seemingly beyond our reach, we don't even try. Following in the footsteps of the saints, for most of us is like attempting rocket science or brain surgery it's just simply not for us. But following in the footsteps of the saints is not about becoming a saint overnight. Saints are just real people who have struggled through crisis and frustration to live their faith. Like the concert pianist who began his career with simple scales, so following God's blueprint for discipleship is about starting out with small steps. Take one element from the Beatitudes and practice it. You might choose to be more patient with your relatives, gossip less at work, or heal a family rift. Today, take one small step towards making the Beatitudes your way of life.

Catholic Youth Ministry Internships

Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Retreat Centre) is looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their Youth Ministry Internship Programme. The scheme gives participants wide ranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the English Lake District. For more information contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

November Prayers and Masses For the Dead

Please take one the special envelopes for booking masses for your departed loved ones and let us remember them in this month of November .

'O God, Who hast commanded us to honour our parents, and pray for all our deceased dear ones, look in the tenderness of Thy mercy upon the souls of parents and relatives and forgive them their sins, and grant unto us the joy of seeing them again in the glorious light of everlasting life. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.'

Parish Christmas Party on 3rd December 2023

This year parish Christmas Party will be on Sunday 3rd December after the 11.00am Mass. All are welcome. We are appealing to all to support this event as we have done in previous years. Someone will speak more about this event at each of the masses.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult (RCIA).

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults preparatory sessions have started and it is on every Tuesday at 11.00am and Friday at 7.00pm. RCIA - JOURNEY IN FAITH—is for those interested in becoming a Catholic or those who just want to know a bit more about the Catholic Faith. Anyone interested should talk to Fr. Cosmas Ikirodah MSP. Please join us at the weekly sessions.

Preparation for the 2024 First Holy Communion

The 2024 First Holy Communion preparation has started. The next session is on Saturday 4th November 2023 at 2.00pm. We look forward to welcoming all candidates.

Adults Confirmation Preparation Started Last Week.

All adults who have made their First Holy Communion are welcome to this special confirmation programme. Our next session is on Wednesday 8th November at 6.30pm. The sessions will hold on every other Wednesday at 6.30pm in the Church.

All Souls Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed 2nd November

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "**Father, those whom you gave me are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me.**" We remember this proclamation particularly on the Feast of All Souls. On this day we remember all those who have died. We remember their kind deeds, the things they did for us and for other people; we remember how we loved them and how they loved us, and we pray we will be united with them again on the last day. We also pray for those who have died that we never knew. We pray for those who have died for our freedom, and we pray for all those who have died alone with no one to remember or pray for them. By remembering those who were loved, they are never really gone from us.