



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Deptford.  
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### Thirty-first Sunday 5th to 11th November 2023

**9.00am** Intentions: Valentine Chima Ozurumba (RIP), Noah Midagbodji (Thanksgiving).

**11.00 am** Intentions: Amarachi Sobiere (B'day), Chinwendu Eluchie-Duru (B'day).

**6.30pm** Intentions: Joseph Wang, Maria Lin, Boocai Chen, Maria Lin RIP.

### 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 6th:** Father's Day off—No Mass.

**Tuesday 7th:** Diseased members of Ayanou (RIP).

**Wednesday 8th:** Stanley Sobiere (B'day).

**Thursday 9th:** Rocco Wang, Paul Chen, Huanghu Zhang, Maria Yang (RIP).

**Friday 10th:** Joseph Chen, Maria Wang, Joseph Zhuang and Joseph Yang (RIP).

**Saturday 11th:** Ifranyi Odogwu (B'day), Brendan Charles Agbawedikeizu (B'day). Mr & Mrs Robinson and deceased relatives.

**Confession:** Saturdays at 10.40am - 11.30am and by appointment.

### 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](http://www.cafod.org.uk/?form=israelipalestiniancrisis)

### Weekly Offertory 22nd to 28th October (Cash & DONA)

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £950.75

Thank you

2nd Collection & Gift Aid: £248.80

Thank you

(MISSIO)

Missionary of St. Paul: £25.00

Thank you

Books & newspaper: £675.00

Thank you

Mass stipend: £125.00

Thank you

Stole fees: £249.00

Thank you

Building Fund: £66.86

Thank you

Seminarians in Africa: £20

Thank you

Tithe: £239.27

Thank you

**Total: £2,599.68**

### 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-rdeptford.org.uk/?page\\_id=24](https://ola-rdeptford.org.uk/?page_id=24)

### Bank Transfer

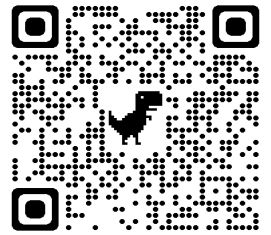
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Sort Code: **60-13-10**

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

Sign up to Easy Fund Raising

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://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-rdeptford.org.uk/?page\\_id=157](https://ola-rdeptford.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.

## 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.**

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### 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.

### **Dates for your Diary**

5th November: SMA Mission Appeal Day.

16th November Baptism Preparation Programme for those who wish to baptised their children in November and December.

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.

### **Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for November 2023**

This month Pope Francis tells us, "Your prayer gives me strength and helps me to discern and to accompany the Church, listening to the Holy Spirit." Knowing that popes are often "judged harshly" and will have to render "a serious account" of their ministry to God, Pope Francis asks his listeners "to judge benevolently" and "pray that the Pope, whoever he might be may receive the help of the Holy Spirit, that he may be docile to that help."

We are asked to join in prayer, **"...We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit."**

### **A Day with Mary**

**Date: 11th November @ 9:30am to 3:30pm**

Place: Our Lady & St. Peter, Victoria Drive, Wimbledon Common, SW19 6AD

### **Catholic Youth Ministry Internships**

Castlerig 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](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

## **November List of Departed Loved Ones**

Each Roman Catholic parish compiles a 'November List' of departed loved ones submitted by parishioners. This is the month we commemorate those who have died. Praying for those who have died ensures that the bond we enjoyed in life is never broken. Please book masses for them.

### **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.

### **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 18th 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.

### **Teenagers Confirmation Preparation Has Started**

Teenagers and Youths confirmation preparation will resume on Saturday 18th November at 1.00pm. We are still receiving new candidates to join.

### **Archbishop's Appeal Collection Next Sunday 12th Nov.**

The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support innovative projects taking place within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve. Please be generous to the Archbishop's Appeal 2023. Every gift is welcome.

### **Bitesize**

Don't try to be different. Just be good. To be good is different enough.

*Arthur Freed*