



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Deptford.
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Thirty-third Sunday 19th—25th November 2023

9.00am Intentions: UCM (Departed members), Chukwa Odogwu B'day), Robert Komi Gaglo (RIP), Agnes Mensah (Special intentions—healing).

11.00 am Intentions: Elizabeth Ogbeta Imienwanrin (RIP).

6.30pm Intentions: All parishioners.

Weekday Adoration and Masses

Weekdays Adoration: Tuesday - Friday 9.00 – 9.50 am

Weekday Masses: 9.00am

Saturday Mass: 10.00am

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday 20th: Father's Day off—No Mass.

Tuesday 21st: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Francis Solemo (Holy Souls).

Wednesday 22nd: Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr.

Thursday 23rd: For Fr. Jacob Obiukwu, Josephine & Jacob Obiukwu and other deceased family and relatives.

Friday 24th: Saint Andrew Dung-Lac (Priest), Prince Ikechukwu Odogwu (B'day), Gladys Odogwu (B'day).

Saturday 25th: For Paul Prentice and other deceased family.

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=israelipalestiniacrisis

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.

Weekly Offertory 5th—11th November (Cash & DONA)

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £815.87

2nd Collection: £561.11

(SMA)

Mass stipend: £224.85

Stole fees: £249.00

Building Fund: £19.66

CCTV: £4.92

Total: £1,626.41 (Thank you)

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

Bank Transfer

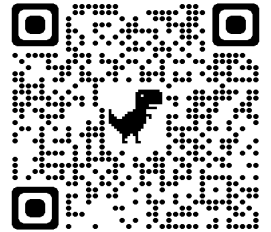
Account name: **RCAS Deptford**

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.easysfundraising.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

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.

Dates for your Diary

25th November: Baptism in Church at 2.00pm

16th December: Baptism in Church at 2.00pm

18th January 2024 Baptism Preparation in Church at 2.00pm.

27th January 2024 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.

Call for a ceasefire in the Holy Land CAFOD Online Petition

Thousands of people have been killed across Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory as the region witnesses the deadliest days in recent history. We know more violence cannot be the answer.

CAFOD is urging us to email the UK Foreign Secretary to urge the UK to play its part in upholding international law, ensuring humanitarian aid can reach people in need, and works with other world leaders to secure a lasting peace for the region.

You can find the online petition at www.cafod.org.uk

Parish Secretary for Saint Francis Of Sales And Saint Gertrude, Stockwell

Fr Michael is looking for a part-time Secretary. You will work 8 hours a week on Tuesdays & Thursdays. The Secretary should have IT skills and knowledge of finance. Please contact Fr. Michael on 0207-622-1621.

Donate while you shop with Easyfundraising

With the approach of the Christmas festivities when families spend on presents and Christmas food shopping we would like to remind parishioners to sign on to www.easyfundraising.org.uk to help the parish. Easy fundraising will cost you nothing! Money is donated by the retailers every time you shop. You can download the easy fundraising app to your phone and shop on your mobile. It's very easy to use. You can buy anything from household goods, presents, holidays, fashion, etc. and money will be donated to the church.

Saint Cecilia Patron Saint of Music November 22nd

The power of music in Christian worship is obvious. Music can have many qualities - spiritual, emotional, theological, intellectual. We may respond in a variety of ways. Militant songs stir our spirits; quiet songs make us reflective; bright songs set out toes a-tapping; joyful songs cheer us up and so on. Our hymns are designed to elevate our prayers. Our hymns are an integral part of the liturgy. *What God given talent do you possess that could inspire others around you?*

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 that we traditionally pray for the dead .

A Prayer for the Dead 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 our 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 before.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult (RCIA).

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults preparatory sessions continue to hold 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 or join us at the weekly sessions. Please note you only have to attend one of the two weekly sessions.

Preparation for the 2024 First Holy Communion

The 2024 First Holy Communion preparation will continue on. The next session in on Saturday 2nd December 2023 at 2.00pm. We look forward to welcoming all candidates.

Adults Confirmation Preparation Has Started.

All adults who have made their First Holy Communion are welcome to this special confirmation programme. Our next session is on Wednesday 22nd 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 continue on Saturday 2nd December at 1.00pm. We have now closed entry to would be candidates. Any of our youths who wish to be confirmed and has not joined the current programme should wait for the 2024/2025 session.

October Offertory (Bank Transfer)

1st Collection & Gift Aid: £248.00

2nd Collection & Gift Aid: £9.00 (MSP, CAFOD)

Building Fund: £18.00

Hall Hire: £2,456.80

Holy Souls: £200.00

Lectern: £810.00

Other: £37.00

Total: £3,778.80 (Thank you)