

## **PARISH TEAM**

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**Mass Intentions:** please write the intention on the front of an envelope with your own name and preferred date and give to Fr Paul.

- **Infant Baptism:** If you wish to have your child baptised, please see and speak to Fr Paul after Mass
- **Confessions:** Saturday 10.30 -11am or by appointment
- **Items for the newsletter** should reach the presbytery **by Thursday 4pm**, either by post or by email [goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk)
- **Want to receive the newsletter by email?** Give us your email address
- **Parish Office hours:** The Parish Office is open 10 am to 3 pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays (except Bank holidays)
- **Hire of the hall: currently suspended**, Sorry but the hall is not available for further hire
- **New to the parish?** please complete one of the blue registration cards and return to Fr Paul
- **In case you are admitted to hospital:** In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.
- **School forms:** For parents who wish Fr Paul to sign their priest's reference form: please telephone or email to arrange an appointment.
- **Getting Married:** couples are reminded that six months' notice is required for a wedding, either in this country or abroad.
- **Visiting the housebound:** if you know of any elderly or housebound person who would like to be visited at home, please let Fr Paul know.



### **Parish Diary**

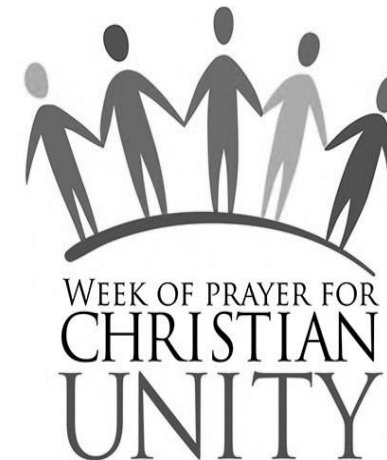
- **Pray the rosary weekly on Tuesday at 7.30 pm.** Contact Alvaro if you would like to join: [alvano@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:alvano@rcdow.org.uk)  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75311892635?pwd=OC8xaFZZZUx2am>  
t3OFhCd09QWC80dz09 Meeting ID: 711 3775 6138P passcode: Wx48sB
- **Come and find your voice with our choir.** If you are interested, please talk to Mary, preferably after the 10:30 Mass
- **Visit the Repository** for your religious items after the 10:30 am Mass



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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**



We pray for our brothers and sisters in the Christian  
communities of Golders Green and beyond.  
May we all be One.

<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	9 am: <i>Parishioners</i>
	10:30 am: <i>Anthony Clark RIP &amp; Martin How RIP</i>
	6 pm: <i>Ann Gorman RIP</i>
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	10 am:
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	10 am:
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10 am: <i>Charles Sagayam RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10 am:
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10 am: <b>No Mass</b>
	11 am: <i>Funeral Mass for Lloyd Vongyer RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	9 am: <i>Parishioners</i>
	10:30 am: <i>Parishioners</i>
	6 pm: <i>Parishioners</i>



### Word for Today

“God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented; he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.” (Jonah 1:10) Repentance is fundamental to the

daily life of a Christian. It means being aware of the ways in which we can and must alter our behaviour patterns, our ways of thinking and acting, our outlook on God and others. And repentance is not a once and for all thing; it is something that we have to check on each night and agree to every morning.



### Texts for this Sunday's Mass

- Jon 3:1-5, 10** *The people of Nineveh renounce their evil behaviour*  
**Psalm response** *Lord, make me know your ways*  
**1 Cor 7:29-31** *The world as we know it is passing away*  
**Mark 1:14-20** *Repent and believe the Good News*

**Foodbank:** 🛒 This week's much needed items are: salt, crackers, UHT milk, deodorant, empty egg boxes for 12 eggs in particular Thank you

**Lloyd Vongyer RIP:** Lloyd was a long-standing parishioner at St Edwards. Although his cremation has happened his family would like to invite those who knew Lloyd to attend a **funeral Mass** with his ashes on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 11 am**. It would be good for as many as can come, to join his family in prayer. There will be a small reception in the hall afterwards. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**Alleyway beside the Church:** Due to the risk of falling masonry from the boundary wall we have closed the side alley of the church to pedestrians. Please do not use this way for access. Access from the hall to Hoop Lane remains possible.

**Lost and Found!** We plan to do a parish office clear-out in the new year. This will include disposing of any unclaimed lost property. So, if you have recently misplaced something or think you left it behind at church, please check with the parish office during office hours in person, by phone (0208 455 1300) or email (goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk)

**Christian Unity Prayer Service 3 pm - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024** You are invited to join Christians from local churches at to come together in prayer this Sunday afternoon. **Trinity Church in Hodford Road** Revd Emily Kolltveit will be leading this year's annual prayer service.

**Thank you for your support from Friends of the Holy Land** . Thanks to your generosity, our parish gifted **£1,500**. In total, they received almost £200,000 in donations to their Christmas Campaign. £100,000 has already gone directly into Gaza to help those sheltering from the war. They are most grateful for the support as the conflict deepens and shows little sign of a ceasefire being close. It helps them continue to stand by our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land

Fr Paul will be away from **1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> February**. We are grateful to Fr Tony who will cover the Sunday Mass schedule on 4<sup>th</sup> February. Please note that the weekday Mass schedule will be reduced to **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February only**. Weekday Mass goers will be welcome at our neighbouring parishes.