

**Flowers for Christmas:** This is a gentle appeal that as Christmas is approaching, we will need some funds towards the flowers for the altar. Please generously donate in the appropriate Flower Donation boxes at the front and back of the church. Thank you.

### The Christmas Novena

The Christmas novena began as a means of communicating the riches of the Liturgy to the faithful who were unable easily to grasp it. It has played a very effective role and can continue to play such a role. At the same time, in current conditions where the faithful have easier access to the Liturgy, it would seem desirable that vespers from the 17-23 of December should be more solemn by adopting the use of the "major antiphons", and by inviting the faithful to participate at the celebration. Such a celebration, held either before or after which the popular devotions to which the faithful are particularly attached, would be an ideal "Christmas novena", in full conformity with the Liturgy and mindful of the needs of the faithful. Some elements, such as the homily, the use of incense, and the intercessions, could also be expanded within the celebration of Vespers.

CULLED FROM: <https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Seasons/Documents/AdventPP.shtml>.

For those who cannot join in our prayers from the Divine Office every morning at 9AM (Before Morning Mass) or in our evening Novena Masses at 7:30PM, please consider praying the Rosary (as a family). Let's make this Christmas special by preparing spiritually.

### Sacrament of Confirmation 2023: SUBMISSION OF FORMS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUBMIT THE CONFIRMATION FORMS TODAY IN THE GUILD ROOM AFTER THE 10:30AM, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.



### New Years Eve Dance

SATURDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022

8PM TO 12:30AM

@ ST CHAD'S HALL, BURGoyNE ROAD, SOUTH NORWOOD

MUSIC BY THE SHADES

TICKET £25. BYO food and drink

**VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ALL OUR MASSES. PLEASE ASK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO REGISTER.**

**ST CHAD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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**Parish Priest: Fr Ambrose Ohene C.S.Sp.**

**Assistant Parish Priest: Fr Terkura Igbe C.S.Sp.**

**Parish Secretary: Karen Maria Dadson Office Hours: Mon—Fri, 9:30am—12:30pm**

**Hall enquiries: [stchadshallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:stchadshallbookings@gmail.com)**



### WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (18/12/22)

**SUNDAY MASSES: VIGIL—6:30PM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6PM**

**DAILY MASSES: 9:30AM (MONDAY TO FRIDAY); 10AM (SATURDAY)**

**WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS FOR THE SICK: 7:30PM**

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: TUESDAY: 10—12NOON**

**WEDNESDAY: AFTER EVENING MASS: SUNDAY 4:30PM— 6:00PM**

**CONFESSIONS: DAILY—BEFORE OR AFTER DAILY MASSES;  
6PM-6:25PM (SATURDAYS)**

**ROSARY: EVERYDAY AFTER MORNING MASS (EXCEPT TUESDAY & SATURDAY)**

**BIBLE STUDIES: THURSDAY 7:30PM (GUILD ROOM)**

### DEVOTIONAL GROUPS

**MONDAY—CHARISMATICS (7:30 PM); WEDNESDAY—LEGION OF MARY (6:30 PM);**

**\* TUESDAY—DIVINE MERCY (6:30PM); SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY)—SVP (7:30PM ON ZOOM).**

**Contact: [presidentA190305@svp.org.uk](mailto:presidentA190305@svp.org.uk) 07305119836.**

**PLEASE SEE NOTICE BOARD .**



**Sick and Housebound:** Cherlez Philip; Lucy Martin; Henry Aboagye-Brobbey; Beautilyn Awe; Alice Berkoh; Paddy O'Shea; William Curran, Roy Alleyne.

**Recently Deceased:** Bernard Onajite Bakpa, Fr Patrick Haran, Michael Hayland, Fr Geoffrey Baka, Jairo Antonio Zapata Cardona, Fr Michael Murphy CSSp, Canon Acton.

*This is a gentle reminder that cheques to the parish are no longer made out to St Chad's Church but to RCAS Norwood South.  
Thank you for your generosity and God Bless You.*

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A (18/12/22)**

<b>VIGIL MASS ON SATURDAY</b> <b>SUNDAY, 18TH</b> <b>DECEMBER</b>	6:30PM 8:30AM 10:30AM 4:30PM 6:00PM	Thanksgiving: June & Andrew Lloyd Birthday: Kelvin Asare People of the Parish 90 Minutes with Jesus Fr Geoffrey Baka CSSp (RIP) & Fr Michael Murphy CSSp (RIP)
<b>MONDAY, 19TH DECEMBER</b> <i>CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS</i>	9:30AM 7:30PM	Gladys Netto (RIP)
<b>TUESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER</b> <i>ADORATION &amp; BENEDICTION</i> <i>CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS</i>	9:30AM 10-12PM 7:30PM	Holy Souls, Patricia Nwaugo Ezech (RIP)  Craddock family
<b>WEDNESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER</b> <i>CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS</i>	9:30AM 7:30PM	Birthday: Veronica Addo God's blessings on all parishioners
<b>THURSDAY, 22ND DECEMBER</b> <i>CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS</i>	9:30AM	Holy Souls God's blessings on all parishioners
<b>FRIDAY, 23RD DECEMBER</b> <i>CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASS</i>	9:30AM	Anne Lucy Plummer God's blessings on all parishioners
<b>SATURDAY, 24TH DECEMBER</b> CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICES CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS	10:00AM 6:30PM 11:30PM 12AM	Mary's protection over the Parish God's blessings on all parishioners  God's blessings on all parishioners
<b><i>CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES</i></b> <b><i>PLEASE NOTE: NO 6PM MASS</i></b>	8:30AM 10:30AM	Joao and Filipina Leitao Thanksgiving: Avril Carver & family Thanksgiving for the Nativity: Luu family Birthday: Margaret Atindaley
<b><i>MONDAY 26TH DECEMBER</i></b> <b><i>FEAST OF ST STEPHEN</i></b>	10:00AM	<b><i>ALTAR SERVERS' DAY</i></b>
<b><u><i>DAYS WITHIN OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS</i></u></b>	9:30AM	
<b>FRIDAY 30TH DECEMBER</b> <b>FEAST OF HOLY FAMILY</b>	9:30AM	For all the families of the parish
<b><u><i>NEW YEAR'S EVE SATURDAY</i></u></b>	10AM 6:30PM 11PM	Holy Souls Patricia Church People of the Parish
<b><u><i>1ST JANUARY 2023</i></u></b> <b><u><i>MARY MOTHER OF GOD</i></u></b>	8:30AM 10:30AM	Joao & Filipina Leitao (RIP) Luu family: Thanksgiving for the Solemnity; Birthday: Keith Asare

**Donations of Food stuff and other items for the less privileged this Christmas**

All those who would like to donate food stuff and any other item for less privileged people this Christmas please place your donation beside the Christmas tree next Sunday/Weekend. If you would love also to get sleeping bags for people sleeping rough this winter or get a little radiator/heater for families without adequate heating or even new clothing or toys for children, please know that your gifts will be well appreciated by those getting it. Please grade clothing according to sex and age—like 'girl 3-4 years' old' etc

**1ST COLLECTION: £227.90    GAD: £272.22    DONA /ONLINE DONATIONS: £ 415**  
***TOTAL: £ 915.12***

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: WORLD YOUTH DAY    £162.42**  
**2ND COLLECTION TODAY: WORLD YOUTH DAY**

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Our 2nd Collections towards raising money for sending 2 young parishioners to represent us at the WYD Lisbon 2023 with the Archdiocesan Team so far has yielded £811.08. I thank you so much for all your sacrifices and patience. However the cost per person is £1295. If anybody would like to donate towards the cost you are more than welcome. We are counting on your generosity and thanking you immensely.

**STANDING ORDERS AND ONLINE DONATIONS**

We wish to encourage more people to make their donations via Standing Order. If you need help using Dona Machines, please ask. Society is becoming more cashless and it's our desire not to over labour the money counters especially as the nearest branch of the Parish bank—Addiscombe—will be closing down in January. Please would you seriously consider this option? If you need help in setting this up please consult the Parish Office or your bank. Thanks so much for your understanding.



**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR DONATING TO ST CHAD'S PARISH. GOD BLESS YOU**

**New Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Southwark**

On Monday 28 November 2022, it was announced that His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Monsignor Philip Moger as an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Southwark.

A priest of the Diocese of Leeds for 40 years, Bishop-elect Moger has, until now, been the Rector of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk.

The date for his Episcopal Ordination is Tuesday 21 February 2023 in St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

**FLAME 2023**: Are your children going to ***FLAME*** on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March at Wembley Arena? Please submit your completed form with your full payment of £24 or deposit of £10 to the presbytery. Please address the envelope to: "FAO Tom Caluori Flame coordinator"