

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025



Our Lady Of Peace Catholic  
Primary and Nursery School

***“With Christ in our hearts, together we grow”***

Dear Parents,

I can't quite believe that we have come to the end of another Church calendar year. In Monday's assembly, the children heard about the feast of Christ the King. This feast reminds us that Jesus is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and in the Gospel we heard that the good thief knew this and his faith saved him. Through the gift of faith, one day we too can be with Jesus in paradise.

This Sunday marks the first Sunday of Advent and we are already celebrating this in school. The school is looking festive with the work that the children have completed to decorate the school hall. Staff have been working hard to decorate the front entrance and get the pupils and staff into the festive spirit. I've also heard that a special reindeer paid a visit at the gates this morning! This weekend we also have our annual school Christmas fair which the Friends of OLOP have been working hard on to prepare. Please do come and join us for a day of fun and to mark the start of the Advent Season.

It has also been a pleasure to see our Catholic Social Teaching in action again this week. The Mission Team have been collecting donations for the Northampton Caritas Love Christmas Campaign. Through these collections, we will be able to make up gift bags which will go to members of the community who are in need this Christmas. It strongly supports the Catholic Social Teaching principles of 'Solidarity', where we work together as one global family and 'Preferential Option of the Poor', recognising those in need and supporting them where we can. Thank you for your kind donations and to Mrs Arampatzi and the Mission Team for organising.

Hoping to see many of you at the fair tomorrow 11am - 2pm.

Mr Stopps

## Important Dates

29<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Fair

10<sup>th</sup> December-Christmas Lunch

10<sup>th</sup> December-Christmas Jumper Day

18<sup>th</sup> December-Nursery Finishes

19<sup>th</sup> December-Last day of term



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# Catholic Life and Religious Education



On Tuesday the Year 5 attended Mass at OLOP Church. It was a wonderful occasion and all the children were beautifully behaved, as always! Thank you to Father Anthony and all the parishioners for making us so welcome!



## Travelling Nativity Kits

This year we are excited to have our new Travelling Nativity Kits. These kits will travel home with pupils chosen by the teachers in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 so that we can hear the story of Christmas at home. Inside the kits are knitted dolls of Mary, Joseph and the Donkey. It allows us to focus our minds on these key figures of the Christmas story, thinking about the journey they took to prepare for the arrival of Jesus.



## Poppy Appeal

A huge thank you to the school community for supporting the Poppy Appeal this year. We raised £498.10! We were presented yesterday with the certificate below. More Catholic Social Teaching in action!





# Advent Calendar






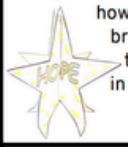























As we enter into this special time of preparation in school and at home. We would like to share our Advent Calendar that we will be following in school. There is a digital and printable version for you to share as a family.

Please do share with us any way in which you celebrate Advent at home or how you are preparing.

<https://missiontogether.org.uk/digital-advent-calendar/>

## Mission Together Advent Calendar 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> Today's reading from the Prophet Isaiah speaks of a time when people will hammer swords and spears into what? + Isaiah 2:1-5  <b>30</b>	An Advent wreath's circular shape and evergreen leaves are signs of God's unending love. What might the candles be a sign of?  <b>1</b>	Advent is a waiting time. Waiting for good things isn't easy, but prayer helps. Today, ask God to help you wait patiently for Christmas Day.  <b>2</b>	Listen to our Advent carol <i>We are Waiting</i> .* Try learning the carol, as a way to help you get ready for Jesus!  <b>3</b>	<b>GLOBAL FAMILY FACT:</b> During Advent in the Philippines, homes are decorated with paper lanterns called Paroles. They are to light the way for Jesus.*  <b>4</b>	Make a Mission Together <i>Star of Hope</i> today, and think about how you can bring hope to others in Advent.*  <b>5</b>	Write an Advent prayer or poem. Try to include the words: <i>Advent, hope, wait, light, God, Jesus, love.</i>  <b>6</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> Today's reading from the Prophet Isaiah speaks of God's kingdom. How does the prophet describe God's peaceful kingdom? + Isaiah 11:1-10  <b>7</b>	In this 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of Advent we think about peace. Today spend a moment remembering children who live in war zones. Ask God to keep them in His care.  <b>8</b>	One way we prepare for Jesus is by being peacemakers. Make a Mission Together <i>Peace Paper-chain</i> . On each link write ways you can build peace.*  <b>9</b>	Listen carefully to the carol <i>Silent Night</i> . This peaceful carol once stopped soldiers fighting. Try singing along, too.*  <b>10</b>	Make peace today. Say sorry to someone you may have upset this week; or forgive someone who has upset you.  <b>11</b>	<b>GLOBAL FAMILY FACT:</b> Tomorrow is the feast of St Lucy. In Denmark, children join candle-lit processions to honour St Lucy, and as a sign of the light that Jesus brings.*  <b>12</b>	Today, find somewhere peaceful to sit and thank God for the people who love and care for you.  <b>13</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> Today's reading from Isaiah speaks of the joy that God's love brings. How can you share that joy today? + Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10  <b>14</b>	Yesterday was <i>Gaudete</i> Sunday. <i>Gaudete</i> means <i>rejoice</i> ! The pink candle lit on the Advent wreath is also a sign of joy. Why is there a growing sense of joy?  <b>15</b>	<b>GLOBAL FAMILY FACT:</b> Mauke is an island in Oceania. As Christmas nears, Christians there share the joy of Jesus' birth by giving food hampers to strangers.*  <b>16</b>	Today, make a Mission Together <i>Joyful Paper Angel</i> and think about how you can share the joy of Jesus' birth with others.*  <b>17</b>	Joy is easy to pass on! Look out for people who are lonely today and invite them to play.  <b>18</b>	Singing helps us to feel joyful – especially when we sing with others. Try singing the carol <i>Joy to the World</i> today.*  <b>19</b>	Today, say a prayer for children who are sad or lonely. Ask God to help you share His joy with them.  <b>20</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> In today's reading from the Gospel of St Matthew, what does God's angel say to Joseph? + Matthew 1:18-24  <b>21</b>	Christmas is a time for welcoming visitors – Jesus himself is coming! Today, ask your parents if you can help them get things ready for Christmas Day.  <b>22</b>	Around the world, billions of people are preparing for the birth of Jesus. Today, say the <i>Our Father</i> for those in our global family who need God's help today.  <b>23</b>	<b>GLOBAL FAMILY FACT:</b> In DR Congo (Africa), people of all ages will take part in big nativity plays this evening. Can you share the Christmas story with someone today, too?*  <b>24</b>	Rejoice! Jesus is born! Remember to thank God, and your family, for all the gifts their love brings.  <b>25</b>	Cross symbol + refers to scriptures found in our <i>Advent Celebrations of the Word</i> . Asterisks * refer to assemblies, craft activities, and sing-along carols. Download all for free at <a href="https://MissionTogether.org.uk">MissionTogether.org.uk</a>  Mission Together is the children's branch of Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission Registered Charity No. 1056651 <b>missio</b>	



# ATTENDANCE



We have noticed an increase in the requests for absence during term time. This is a reminder that the Headteacher is not allowed to authorise any absence from school during term time. Holidays particularly must be booked during the school holidays. Thank you for your support.

RHA St Valentine-91.3%

RRP St Joseph 91.7%

IEH St Bernadette 97.4%

IRS St Faustina Kowalska 98%

2SS St Mary Magdalene 99.1%

2SK St Teresa of Calcutta 99.1%

3CK St Martin de Porres 99.1%

3MB St Paul 98.3%

4SS St Peter 95.3%

4RB St John Bosco 91%

5TH St Thomas Moore 97.3%

5HH St Assisi 99%

6JOK St Maximillian 93.3%

6SP St Josephine Bakhita 97.5%





# Pupil Achievements



## Pupil of the Week

Nursery: Isaac

RRP: Ameela

RHA: Garvey

IEH: Kasen

IRS: Timizo

2SK: Whole Class

2SS: Haniya

3CK: Henley

3MB: Selina

4SS: Ashlyn

4RB: Oscar

5TH: Alodie

5HH: Caleb

6JOK: Lucas

6SP: Sienna

## Love in Action

Nursery: Frank

RRP: Raisa

RHA: Ryan

IEH: Cataleya

IRS: Max

2SK: Whole Class

2SS: Harleen

3CK: Delight

3MB: Jaelyn

4SS: James

4RB: Buddy

5TH: Robyn

5HH: Oscar

6JOK: Yousuf

6SP: Gracie





# Friends of OLOP



## Dates for your diary

- Friends of OLOP Christmas Fair - Saturday 29th November
- Coffee Morning & Preloved Uniform Sale - Friday 5th December



Please email us on:  
[friends@olopprimary.co.uk](mailto:friends@olopprimary.co.uk)



# Friends of OLOP



## Christmas Fair

Join us for a day of festive fun, holiday shopping, and community spirit at the Friends of OLOP Christmas Fair and Market, tomorrow, Saturday 29th November from 11am to 2pm.

We'll have a variety of exciting vendors, games, our very popular raffle, lots of delicious food options and plenty of seasonal cheer as the school choir will be performing at 12pm. It's a great opportunity to get into the Christmas spirit and support our school community. Plus, don't forget your grotto tickets if you are visiting Santa.

We'll see you all on Saturday.

## Coffee morning

On Friday 5th December we will be hosting our next coffee morning and pre-loved uniform sale.

There is free coffee, tea and pastries on offer and we have lots of good quality pre-loved uniform available so come and bag yourself a bargain. We will be in the Hall from drop-off time so we look forward to seeing you then.





# OLOP News



## Walk to School Ambassador - Applications Now Open!



As part of our work towards the Slough Healthy School Award, we are delighted to invite children from Reception through to Year 6 to apply for the role of Walk to School Ambassador.

Our ambassadors will help promote healthier, more active ways of travelling to school — such as walking, scooting, or cycling. They will play an important part in encouraging their classmates to make small changes that can lead to a healthier lifestyle and a safer, cleaner environment around our school.

If you would like to apply, it's easy! Simply write your name and class on a piece of paper and "post" it into the box located outside **Mrs Saab's classroom**.



The deadline for entries is **Friday 28th November 2025**, so make sure you get your application in on time.

We look forward to hearing from lots of enthusiastic pupils.  
Good luck to everyone who applies!





# OLOP News



## Congratulations to all our Reading Champion applicants!

We are so proud of each one of you for showing such enthusiasm, courage, and love for reading. By putting yourselves forward, you've already shown what it means to be a leader and a role model in our school. Thank you for sharing your passion for books and for inspiring others to enjoy reading too. Well done, everyone!



## Our Reading Champions



Caleb N, Gabriella, Precious, Zyra, Martha, Helena, Keshon, Vimbai, Shanaya, Shai, Alec, Karolina, Gracie, Marcel, Georgina, Rameen and Leon

Please note not all of our champions were available for this photo



# OLOP News



Congratulations to George and Albie Torr who have both recently won Fujau competitions  
George has also now won title belt after winning four consecutive fights.

Well done boys!



# OLOP News



Congratulations to Oscar Marshall on his recent achievements in dance including second place for his ballet solo at the Spirit of Dance Festival, a trophy for Most Promising Male Dancer and an award for Outstanding Achievement:

Congratulations Oscar!



# What is happening?



Information for  
parents and carers



Berkshire Healthcare  
NHS Foundation Trust

## Drop-in flu clinics

**At Foundation House, Windsor SL4 4LE**

We are holding drop-in clinics  
for your child's flu vaccination  
on the following dates:

- 18.11.25 14:30-16:30
- 27.11.25 14:30-16:00
- 5.12.25 12:00-16:00

**If you haven't completed a  
consent form yet, you can  
complete one using the  
information sent by your child's  
school or complete one at the  
clinic with one of the team**



Goto the address below to share your  
views and ideas



[cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/feedback](https://cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/feedback)

# What is happening?



CHANCE TO SHINE  
STREET

## FREE WEEKLY CRICKET SESSIONS IN SLOUGH!

**MONDAYS (AGES 8-15)**  
SINGH SABHA SPORTS  
CENTRE  
5PM - 6PM

**MONDAYS (GIRLS ONLY)**  
THE CENTRE, SLOUGH  
5PM - 6PM

**WEDNESDAYS (GIRLS ONLY)**  
SLOUGH & ETON SCHOOL  
5PM - 6PM

**WEDNESDAYS (AGES 8+)**  
SLOUGH & ETON SCHOOL  
6PM - 8PM

**SUNDAYS (AGES 8-15)**  
THE LANGLEY ACADEMY  
8:30AM - 10:00AM

**SCAN TO SIGN UP OR VISIT:**  
**[WWW.BERKSHIRECRICKET.ORG/](http://WWW.BERKSHIRECRICKET.ORG/)**  
**STREET-CRICKET**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

**MUNIR.UMER@BERKSHIRECRICKET.ORG**  
**07312109561**



Munir runs cricket sessions throughout the week which are FREE so please see the poster in the newsletter or contact Munir at Berkshire Cricket Foundation or scan the QR code on the poster at reception for more information.





# GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service  
East Berkshire

## Virtual Coffee Morning - Parental burnout and balance

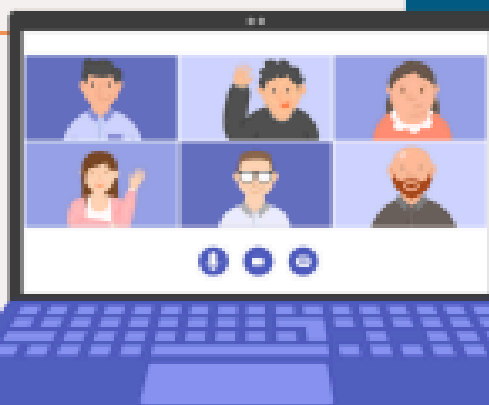
**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10:00 - 11:15am**

**25 spaces  
available!**

Join our online informal discussion to cover the following areas:

- Parental/caregiver burnout
- Navigating family disagreements and finding common ground
- Practical ways to “fill your cup” and recharge
- Open discussion to prepare for the holiday season

Please note this is not a workshop but support group for parent/carers and any medical advice should be sought from your medical practitioner.



### Sign Up Today!

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

To book your place contact GEMS:



**Gems.4Health@nhs.net**



**0800 999 1342**



**SIGN UP TODAY  
EARLY BIRD OFFER**

**ENDS MIDNIGHT  
7TH DECEMBER 2025**

# **IPRO FOOTBALL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS**



**2 DAY CAMP  
22ND & 23RD DECEMBER**

**1 DAY CAMP  
2ND JANUARY**

**FURZE PLATT SENIOR SCHOOL 3G**

**GREAT  
NEWS!**

**CAMP DAYS ARE NOW  
RUNNING FROM  
8:30AM - 5:00PM**

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TO BOOK**



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# GREAT NEWS

**WE WILL NOW BE EXTENDING  
OUR CAMP DAYS UNTIL 5PM!**

**EARLY DROP OFF! - 8.30-9.30AM**

**Introducing: iPro Tekkers Zone**

**Our brand-new early-drop off experience!**

Inspired by YouTube challenge culture, players get exclusive access to one hour of high-energy football games including crossbar challenges, top-bin shootouts, free kicks, freestyle tasks and more.

**STANDARD DAY - 9.30-3.00PM**

**Fun packed day of football.**

Different theme days - passing day, shooting day, competition day, Champions League, Ballon d'or awards plus lots more!

**EXTENDED DAY - 9.30-5.00PM**

From 3pm to 5pm, children can enjoy indoor fun games, arts & crafts, and festive films after a brilliant day of football.

- BEGINNERS
- ADVANCED
- GOALKEEPERS
- EVERYONE!

**BOYS & GIRLS  
AGED 4-13**

**ALL WELCOME**

**STANDARD  
9:30AM TO 3PM**

**EARLY DROP-OFF  
FROM 8:30AM**



**EB  
£4.50**  
NORMALLY  
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**Wednesdays  
AT BEECHWOOD  
SCHOOL, SL2 1QE**

# SWIMMING CLASSES



Dive into confidence and fun with Let's Dive In! Swimming lessons at Beechwood School from 5pm on Wednesdays. Perfect for kids aged 5–16 from learn to swim to swim for fitness in our Squad programme!

Private and small group sessions available for adults too.



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[info@letsdivein.co.uk](mailto:info@letsdivein.co.uk)

Contact us today, to book your space  
Running term time only.





National  
Trust

# Christmas at Cliveden: The Nutcracker

15 Nov - 4 Jan\*

Enter an enchanting Christmas experience at Cliveden as scenes from The Nutcracker come to life across the estate. Head to the Information Centre to find out more.



\*Cliveden is closed 24 & 25 December. Normal admission applies, find out more at

[nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden)



# Our Lady of Peace & St. Andrew's Church

## Parish Newsletter



### First Sunday of Advent (A)

Missal  
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**LIGHT THE ADVENT CANDLE:** Each weekend of Advent we will be singing one verse and refrain from a Hymn at the beginning of Mass as the Advent Candle is lit. Each week the verse and lyrics are dedicated to the candle being lit and will be advised in the Bulletin.

#### First Sunday of Advent:

Light the Advent candle, one:  
Now the waiting has begun;  
we have started on our way,  
time to think of Christmas day.



#### Refrain

Candle, candle, burning bright,  
shining in the cold winter night;  
candle, candle, burning bright,  
fill our hearts with Christmas light.

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Sat	29 Nov	OLOP	6 pm	Teresa O'Connor RIP (Patricia O'Connor & Family) Fr. Amal INT (Maria Rawling)
Sun	30 Nov	OLOP	9.30	Thanksgiving for Andrew Francis INT (Francis Family) Simplicio Antonio Rodrigues RIP Remembrance (Christina Rodrigues) Deceased Members of Sugrue Family (Sugrue) Cornelius Rosario INT (Holwell Family)
		St. A	11.30	Hortensia Fernandes RIP (Zina & Family) Danny Shaw & Family INT (R. Group)
Mon	1 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Barbara Gallagher INT (Christina) Thomas Glynn INT (Siby Santos)
		St. A	7 pm	St Andrew's Day Joint Service
Tue	2 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Thanksgiving for Gregory & Esther Godinho INT Wedding Anniversary (Borges Family)
Wed	3 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Sr. Solange Lacroix RIP (John Basey) George Brooker RIP 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Brooker Family)
Thur	4 Dec	St. A	9.30	Jean Gompertz & Family INT (Christina) Michele Di Gangi RIP 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Lena & Family)
Fri	5 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Theo Monteiro RIP (Jacinta Monteiro & Family) Linda Mullen (Healing) INT (Florence Matwiejczyk) Steven Urbanski RIP & Jason Smith RIP (McDermott)
			10.00	24-hour Adoration
			7 pm	People of the Parish
Sat	6 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Benediction
		OLOP	10.00	Woodard, Mann, Parsons (Foundation)
		OLOP	6 pm	Yvonne Kelly INT (Adriana Torok) Gene Truchan RIP (Truchan Family)
Sun	7 Dec	OLOP	9.30	Italia Clementoni RIP Anniversary (Lucia & Family) Jose Luciano Rodrigues & Esperanca Gurjao RIP (Rodrigues Family) Michele Di Gangi RIP 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Lena & Family) Paddy Cronin RIP (Sugrue Family)
		St. A	11.30	Vittorio Fortino RIP (Farrugia Family) People of the Parish

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Loose Collection: £734.94  
Sunday Tea & Coffee: £20.86  
DONA Plate: £162.37



#### MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays – Wednesdays & Fridays  
OLOP @ 9:30am  
Thursdays St Andrews @ 9:30am  
Saturdays OLOP @ 10:00am

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays Vigil OLOP @ 6:00pm  
Sundays OLOP @ 9:30am  
St Andrews @ 11:30am

#### MORNING PRAYER

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 9:15am  
Saturdays OLOP @ 9:45am  
Thursdays St. Andrews @ 9:15am

#### ADORATION

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 8:15am  
Saturdays OLOP @ 8:45am  
Thursdays St. Andrews @ 8:30am

#### PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Anthony Dampson, SMA

**Assistant Priest:** Rev. Amalraj Lawrence, SMA

**Deacon:** Rev. Deacon Michael Ossei-Williams

**Secretary:** Mrs. Venecia Godinho  
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**Safeguarding:** Mrs. Mairin Comfort  
☎ 07456 948001 /

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**PPC Chairperson:** Mr. Cijo Joseph  
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#### SAINT ANDREW'S DAY CELEBRATION

We will mark Saint Andrew's Day this year on **Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at St Andrew's Church**, giving us the opportunity to celebrate the feast day apart from the First Sunday of Advent.

In keeping with our valued tradition, the Catholic communities of Burnham and Cippenham will join the Anglican congregation in Cippenham for this special occasion. This gathering offers a meaningful moment of shared prayer, reflection, and fellowship.

We warmly invite all parishioners to come together in unity and gratitude as we celebrate our patron, Saint Andrew.



**WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING:** The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday coffee morning takes place at Our Lady of Peace Church. Join us at OLOP after Mass this **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** for tea/coffee/cake & a chat.

**24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** You are invited to spend time in the presence of Our Lord during a special 24-hour Adoration, beginning at **10:00 am** on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December and concluding at 10:00 am on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

**HOUR OF GRACE – PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING:** Join us on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December** at Our Lady of Peace Church for an evening of prayer and encounter. We begin with **Mass at 7:00 pm**.

**A WINTER'S MELODY RETURNS!**  
**Annual Parish Christmas Concert**  
**OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH, BURNHAM**  
**14th December, 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**TICKETS NOW ON SALE**  
**Phone: 07880 528466**  
**Surprise Performers, Huge Raffle**  
**Christmas Carol Sing-along**

**Tickets: £10 each**  
**(includes a glass of Prosecco or a soft drink)**  
**Children 16 years and under**  
**free of charge**

**IGBO MASS:** All Parishioners are warmly invited to a joyful Celebration of the **Holy Mass in Igbo-English Language**, a vibrant gathering that unites our community in prayer, culture, and fellowship. On **Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 12:30 pm**, **St. Anthony's Church**, Farnham Road, Slough, with Fr. Dr. Nathaniel Onwuekwe as chief celebrant. Come and share in prayer, unity, and fellowship, and stay for food and refreshments after Mass. **For details**, contact Fr. Nathaniel (07448 059986), Sr. Chibuakum (07450 328643), or Edward (07802 753575).

**THE LONDON AND SLOUGH CHARITABLE TRUST – VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED:** Could you spare an evening or early morning to help support local families in need? We are urgently looking for volunteer drivers (age 25+, C1 licence required) to join our weekly rota. Drivers collect surplus food from local supermarkets and bring it to our Slough hub for redistribution. For more information, **please contact Christina on 07990 655471** or email [admin@thelondonandsloughrun.org](mailto:admin@thelondonandsloughrun.org)

**PILGRIMAGE TO PATMOS: "READING REVELATION" LED BY FR. JEROME ITUAH, OCD - MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026:** Join us for a spiritual journey to the Greek island of Patmos, where St. John received the visions of Revelation. Experience daily Mass, visits to the Cave of Revelation, the Monastery of St. John, and the Convent of Evangelismos, with guided tours and time for reflection.

**Includes:** Return flights from Heathrow, one night in Athens with a visit to the Acropolis Museum, ferry to Patmos, accommodation in Skala Hotel, breakfast and one meal daily, entrance fees, and a local guide. **Cost:** £1,795 per person (two sharing), single supplement £275. Deposit: £600.

**Please refer to the poster for further information**

**Bank:** NatWest **Sort Code:** 60-06-11

**Account Number:** 46716203 **Account Name:** RCDN Our Lady of Peace.

**CHILDREN LITURGY:** A Liturgy of the word will be held **This Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, at OLOP** for all children in Reception to Year 3 during the 9:30 am Mass.

**RETIRING COLLECTION:** This weekend, a retiring collection will be held for the **flowers for Christmas** at the end of all Masses.

Retiring collection for **Catholic Youth Services** was **£224.72**. We are very grateful for your continued support.

**SMA FOUNDERS DAY APPEAL:** Priests from the Society of African Missions (SMA) will be in our parish for their annual mission appeals. By supporting the SMA, you help their missionaries bring faith, hope, and practical care to communities in Africa and here in the UK. **Your donations help to:**

- Train new SMA missionaries
- Provide life essentials in Nigeria & Liberia
- Offer school scholarships
- Support parishes & dioceses in Africa
- Promote peace and interfaith dialogue

A retiring collection will be taken **Next weekend, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>/Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> December**. Thank you for your generosity and prayers for the missions.

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY:** Bring Your Baby **Jesus for a Blessing!** Join us for a special Bambinelli Sunday on **December 14<sup>th</sup>, the Third Sunday of Advent**. Bring your beloved Baby Jesus figurine from your home Nativity scene to mass for a special blessing. This heartwarming tradition offers a unique opportunity for families to celebrate the upcoming birth of Christ together. **9:30am and 11:30am Mass on 14<sup>th</sup> December.**



#### **CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES**

Leaflets are available in the Church porches, please take a copy home. It contains details of all the Christmas Service times.

**SVP WINTER HAMPERS:** The SVP team will be on **Slough High Street** on **20<sup>th</sup> December**, from **2–4 pm**, distributing hampers to those experiencing homelessness. We are collecting **new or gently used scarves, gloves, hats, and socks** to include in the hampers. All parishioners—especially the **Music Ministry, Evangelisation Team, and Prayer Groups**—are warmly invited to join us at **St Ethelbert Church** as we share warmth, kindness, and the Good News this Christmas.

**Slough Foodbank – Christmas Hamper Appeal**

**Thank you for your generosity this year!**

**How You Can Help**  
A list of suggested Christmas items can be found at: [slough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help-2/donate-food/](http://slough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help-2/donate-food/)

**Where to Donate**  
Slough Foodbank donation baskets are available after the checkouts at:  
• Tesco (Slough & Taplow)  
• Sainsbury's (Slough & Taplow)

Your kindness and generosity make a real difference.

**Thank you for supporting our community this Christmas!**

**GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AT ST. ANDREW'S**

**FREE ENTRY**

**Christmas FAIR**

**FESTIVE STALLS, COFFEE SHOP, RAFFLES, TOMBOLA & CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

GET YOUR GIFTS, DECORATIONS AND FESTIVE TREATS WHILE SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH

**SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 FROM 10AM TO 1PM**

**ST. ANDREW'S SHARED CHURCH**  
WASHINGTON DRIVE, CIPPENHAM, SL15RE

TO BOOK YOUR STALL CONTACT NANNAN ON 0758560209

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