

THIS WEEK:

**Mon — Sat: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to
11am unless other service to
follow.**

**Monday (in the Day Chapel) and
Friday: Evening Mass at 6.30pm.
Stations of the Cross after 10am
Mass, Friday.**

Friday: CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

Saturday: Synod Meeting 4.30pm.

READINGS: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter
3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

DECEMBER: £14,125.68

Week average: £2,825

January figures will be announced
next week. Apologies for the delay.

Thank you for your generosity.

Social Apostolate: Would you like
to improve your English skills?
Next ESOL Skills Check is on
Monday 19th of February from
9.30am-12pm Venue: Family Hub
at Triangle Centre, N15 6NU

WELCOME to our Jesuit Novices:
Václav Hladík and **Clément Poret** are
with us until Easter, working at St
Anne's Care Home.



NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass

**Evening Mass Monday and Friday at
6.30^{pm}**

**Padre Pio/Divine Mercy: 2nd and
4th Tuesday at 6.30pm**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each
weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on
Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or *by
appointment at the Presbytery.*

Rosary: 11am each weekday except

Friday: Stations of the Cross

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat
SJ. **Assistant Priests:** Fr. John McCabe SJ,
Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr. John
Moffatt SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ
(Congo), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm

Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

*If you have any concerns about safety or
well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the
parish, please contact our Safeguarding
Representative: Aga Wiecek, 077 3681 9943*



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TWO SYNOD MEETINGS FOR THE PARISH

The archdiocese has asked all parishes to arrange two meetings for members of the parish, so that we may come together to continue our reflection and discussion of the future of the Catholic Church in light of the recent Synod meetings before Christmas, the meetings in Rome, and in preparation for the next major Synod meeting this coming October. The first meeting took place on Saturday and was on the theme of co-responsibility. Our second meeting is next Saturday **24th February from 4.30pm until about 6pm**. All are invited to attend, including members of the parish finance committee, catechists, readers, anyone who volunteers to help in any way, members of prayer groups, the Jesuit priests who live here, catechumens, candidates for Confirmation, and those who attend our church for whatever reason. All are invited.

Saturday 24th: When Pope Francis writes about Evangelization, he is clear that we all need **formation** at every stage of life. The Synod was equally clear that it is the responsibility of each Catholic to make sure they receive adequate formation. "Every baptized person," the Synthesis says, "is called to take care of their own formation as a response to the gifts of the Lord, making use of the talents they have received in order that they bear fruit and put them at the service of all ... it is decisive for mission." (14a)

It listed a great number of possibilities: "The areas in which the formation of the People of God takes place are many. In addition to theological formation, the Assembly requested training in specific skills: the exercise of co-responsibility, listening, and discernment: Conducting ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, service to the poorest and care for our common home; engagement as "digital missionaries", /Contd

Responsorial Psalm: Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.

facilitation of discernment processes, Conversation in the Spirit, consensus building and conflict resolution.” (14e)
But formation is not just about skills: it is about conversion, about turning back to Christ in order to proclaim his merciful love. This is captured in the statement: “At the heart of Christian formation is a deepening of the kerygma, that is, the encounter with Jesus Christ that offers us the gift of a new life. Catechumenal logic reminds us that we are all sinners called to holiness. This is why we engage in a journey towards personal conversion that the Sacrament of Reconciliation brings to fulfilment. This is also why we nourish the desire for holiness, supported by a large number of witnesses.” (14d) The Synthesis even describes a Synodal approach to formation. By this it means we need to be formed not just as individuals but as a body.

“Formation for a synodal Church needs to be undertaken synodally: the entire People of God being formed together as they journey together ... Formation in a synodal key is meant to enable the People of God to live out their baptismal vocation fully, in the family, in the workplace, in ecclesial, social, and intellectual spheres.” (14f) In short, we need to be formed better to realize our mission; indeed, this is the whole purpose of formation – “to enable each person to participate actively in the Church's mission according to his or her own charisms and vocation.” (14f)

Please come to the meeting, if you can, **24th February at 4.30pm.**

CATHOLIC PRAYER MINISTRY: All are invited to attend, in the presbytery, today (Sunday) at 5pm.

CONTACTLESS MACHINE: If there is a problem with the machines please use this QR code and enter payment information to make your donations. Many thanks.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FEBRUARY: For the terminally ill



We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

BIBLE PRAYER FOR YOUNG ADULTS during Lent

Please see the poster for details. Offered for people aged 20s—40, from Sister Agnes (Ursuline Sisters).

With Jesus through Lent to Easter. Sundays 2.30—3.30pm from 18 February. agnescuj@gmail.com

CAN YOU SING? Our Youth Choir which sings at the 9.30 Mass is looking for new members. If you are aged 11-25 and enjoy singing, please come along. Choir practices are on Fridays 6.15pm - 7.15pm in the weekday chapel. If you need more information, text/Whatsapp Ann on 07793 751261
Otherwise please consider joining our 11am choir. For more information text/Whatsapp Ann on 07793 751261

2023 necessary church repairs:

Asbestos removal: £12,648

Electric system: £5,900

Fire alarm system: £9,390

Heating: Engineers have replaced one pipe in the basement and need to replace a second one.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Please take an envelope and return it with your donation next week.

