WELCOME TO



Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

Parish Priest: Father Fortunatus Banzi, SDS Assistant Parish Priest - Fr Floribert Mulikita SDS

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Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm

ALL SAINTS

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Can you imagine how you would feel if you lived to see your child be canonised as a saint, and actually attended the ceremony of canonisation? The initial grief for the loss of your child would be surpassed by pride, honour and gratitude for recognition of a life lived for God.

In September Pope Leo canonised Carlo Acoutis, an ordinary 21st century teenager, who loved football and computers. Carlo died at the age of 15 shortly after being diagnosed with an aggressive form of leukaemia. Motivated by his love for the Blessed Sacrament, Carlo used his computer skills to research and develop a website dedicated to Eucharistic miracles, spreading the wonder of the Word of God made flesh in the sacrament of Holy Communion among his friends through modern technology and media.

St Carlo is an inspiration, not only for the young, but for us all, showing that we can all use whatever we are good at in the service of God and, in this way, aspire to become saints.

Carlo was an example to the world. To what extent am I an example to others? Do I use my gifts to serve God and make Him known? Does what I do reflect my love for the Blessed Sacrament?

CONFESSIONS *St Patrick*: Saturday after 10.00 Mass *Holy Cross*: Saturday before 5.30pm Mass

There will be no EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT until further notice

| Holy Cross | Mass intentions | St. Patrick |
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| 17.30 Recovery of Gerhard Meyer | Sat. 1st November ALL SAINTS | The Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 Antonia Pacheco RIP AND Augusto & Ana Menezes RIP |
| 8.45 People of the Parish | Sun. 2 nd November ALL SAINTS | 10.15 Those buried in Plumstead Cemetery 18.00 The Holy Souls |
| 10.00 Bicky's intention | Mon. 3 rd November The COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED | 9.00 Deceased parishioners of St Patrick's |
| NO MASS | Tues. 4 th November St Charles Borromeo, Bishop | NO MASS |
| 10.00 Tom Mulholland RIP | Wed. 5 th November FERIA | 9.00 Rev Fr Anthony Travers RIP |
| 10.00 Fr Thomas Travers RIP | Thur. 6 th November FERIA | 9.00 Get well Mary Twomey |
| 10.00 Philip Gomes' intention | Fri. 7 th November The Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St George | 9.00 Rachel & Michael Meade RIP |
| 17.30 Get well Sue Tanner | Sat. 8 th November ALL SAINTS | The Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 All Souls in Purgatory AND Birthday thanksgiving |
| 8.45 People of the Parish | Sun. 9 th November ALL SAINTS | 10.15 People of the Parish 18.00 Kathleen Brown RIP |

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November: For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with prior permission of Fr Fortunatus, should be sent to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Offertory 26th October £1,055.20 Thank yo 9th November – Archbishop's Appeal 23rd November – Catholic Youth Services

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday, 8th November at 8pm – Quiz Night Sunday, 9th November – Blessing of Graves: details to be announced when Fr Floribert returns

READERS St Patrick

2nd **November: 10.15** Faith & Cynthia **18.00** L Keys **9**th **November: 10.15** D Ohia/E Saliu **18.00** L Kale

Holy Cross

 1st Nov: 17.30 Mike
 2nd Nov: 8.45 Ian

 8th Nov: 17.30 Brian
 9th Nov: 8.45 Linda

CHILDREN'S LITURGY St Patrick children under 10 years

2nd November – Laura; Carlien & Lisa

9th November - TBA

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for Gladys Power & family RIP at Holy Cross and Francis Edney Euba & George O E Phillips RIP at St Patrick.



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GREENWICH CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP for the DISABLED

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 8th November at 8pm in St Patrick's Social Club £3 per person up to 6 per team Prizes & Raffle

Guides (girls aged 10 – 14) and

Brownies (girls aged 7 – 10)

Mondays 6 – 7.30pm

For more information on joining please contact:

Tatayana – 07921500555 Natasha - 07941967414





NOVEMBER is the month of the HOLY SOULS

You are invited to write the names of your deceased family and friends and place them in the wooden box, which will be placed on the altar as we continue to pray for them throughout the month. Holy Mass will be offered at the end of the month.

'In Loving Memory' candles will be on sale in the Repository

HOLY CROSS and ST PATRICK FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Children in **Year 3** and above, who do **NOT** attend St Patrick's Primary School and would like to make their First Holy Communion in 2026, should complete the enrolment form and return it, with the required documents, to the **PARISH OFFICE**, 1a Conway Road by **Wednesday**, 26th **November**



Our recent foreign currency collection for Mary's Meals raised an incredible £299.74

This is enough to feed 85 hungry children for an entire year. WELL DONE

CONFIRMATION 2026

Classes will start on Sunday, 2nd November.

Have you noticed Christmas goods in the shops? ALREADY!

CAFOD World Gifts catalogues are at the back of church. Our parish also supports the Christ the King 6th Form Toy appeal – new toys and gifts would be gratefully appreciated and can be left at the back of church *Thank you*

Greenwich Foodbank tinned and packet foods, toiletries, nappies, can be left at the back of church and are gratefully appreciated NO FRESH FOOD PLEASE URGENTLY NEEDED: tinned meat & fish, toiletries, sponge puddings, jam, sweets Thank you

Please pray for those who are unwell: Christopher Nnabike, Yolanda Perera, Norma Barrett, Bridie Maguire, Loretta, Sophie & Pablo Picola, Hana Gjelaj, Bob Kapp, Philomena Flaherty, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Aurora Miranda, Charles, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Louise Perera, Pat Cullen, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, John Colacco, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Maureen Cunney, Eddie White, for those who have die, especially Ellania (Lana) Lucas and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dora Fitzpatrick, Pasquale Ruta, William Hughes, Tom Mulholland, Lily Irwin, Rhoda Selwyn, Norman O'Reilly, Josephine Payne, Denis O'Brien, Doris Stokes, Babs Proctor.

Offertory contributions can be made in loose cash, by cheque payable to 'RCAS PLUMSTEAD', by card using the contactless machine at the back of church, or by standing order/one-off online payment to:

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

Account Number: **79136796** Sort Code: **60-50-01**

Account Name: RCAS - PLUMSTEAD

PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIFT AID YOUR OFFERINGS IF YOU ARE A

TAX-PAYER – this helps us to claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated

THANK YOU

for your continued and generous support of our parish