

# ST ANSELM'S NEWSLETTER

ST ANSELM'S PARISH SOUTHALL UNDER THE CARE OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS (JESUITS)

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### PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Jovito D'Souza S.J.

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Deacon:

Rev Stephen Khokhar

Parish Evangelisation Coordinator:

Susan Cawley

Parish Administrator: Safira Viegas

Safeguarding Representatives:

Rita Khokhar, Vicentinha Rebelo, Mark Silva

### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 84; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

### MASS TIMINGS:

Monday to Friday 9:15 a.m.; Saturday 12:00 noon & 6:30 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Thursday Adoration after morning mass until 11:00 a.m. Confessions daily before Mass except Sunday.

# **COLLECTIONS:**

Loose Plate: £1,799.47; Envelopes: £ 691.50; Standing orders: October 2023 £2,949.00

# **OFFICE TIMINGS:**

Monday to Thursday 9am until 5 pm (excluding 1pm to 2pm) Every Friday the office is closed including weekends.

### **PARISH FINANCES:**

**Fr Jovito** wish to thank you for your generous offerings. Your support has been a great help towards the upkeep of the parish and its works.

# BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call the Parish Office Monday to Thursday between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. (excluding 3-4p.m.)

MASS INTENTIONS: 3 <sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER – 10 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023	
03/12/2023 Sunday 8 a.m.	Emilia Fernando (First Death Anniversary)
03/12/2023 9.45 a.m.	Steve Noronha (Birthday Thanksgiving)
03/12/2023 11.30 a.m.	Randir, Jenifa Reblo & family (Thanksgiving)
03/12/2023 2 p.m.	TAMIL MASS
03/12/2023 6.30 p.m.	People of the Parish
04/12/2023 Monday 9.15 a.m.	Sydney Lobo (Thanksgiving)
05/12/2023 Tuesday 9.15 a.m.	Crispino Fernandes ( 60 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving)
06/12/2023 Wednesday 9.15 a.m.	For all the deceased souls of Almeida family
07/12/2023 Thursday 9.15 a.m.	Jose Pires (Second Death Anniversary)
08/12/2023 Friday 9.15 a.m.	Clayson Da Cunha (Thanksgiving)
08/12/2023 7 p.m.	Immaculate Conception Of Our Lady
09/12/2023 Saturday 12 noon	Servita A.C. Pires e Da Costa (Month's Mind)
09/12/2023 6.30 p.m.	Florence Colaco & family (Thanksgiving)
10/12/2023 Sunday 8 a.m.	People of the Parish
10/12/2023 9.45 a.m.	John de Melo (2 <sup>nd</sup> Death Anniversary)
10/12/2023 11.30 a.m.	John Lazar Fernandes & Angela Lazar (RIP)
10/12/2023 6.30 p.m.	Blaizy Fernandez (RIP)

**Pope's Prayer Intention For December:** We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.





THIS WEEKEND Second Collection: SVP Next weekend, our parish SVP group will be addressing parishioners at all Masses. The St Vincent de Paul Society, or SVP for short, is a group of volunteer parishioners who set out to help anyone in need. There are families short of food, lonely people who need a friend, people struggling with financial hardship, or those facing

illness. Join them and work with them to help in whatever way you can - phoning someone for a chat or giving someone a lift to the doctor. In addition, if you could make a donation that would also be a huge help. Talk to SVP members at the back of the church after Mass next weekend. Please help - the need now is greater than ever.

"The SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.20 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237. Thank you so much for your support."

Hope for Southall Street Homeless charity wishes to thank members of the parish who have made donations of money to its work in the past year. Your gifts are providing something – some clothing, an Oyster card for getting to appointments, phone top-up, even occasionally some medication to replace a prescription that was lost or stolen. With your donation you are communicating your care and concern for a group of people who have nothing of their own.

Parish office will close for Christmas vacation from 22 December 2023 and reopen on 8 January 2024.

### **LEGION OF MARY**

Prayer meeting every Friday at 5 p.m. & Saturday at 12.30 p.m. in the Rectory

### **CHARISTMATIC** PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday at 6 pm in the Church

GIFT AID: If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider GIFT AIDING your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please give contact details to Parish Administrator in Parish Office

PLANNING TO GET MARRIED: You Must Contact Fr Jovito, Months before the Date for Your Wedding. Please phone the Parish Office Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. (but not 3-4 p.m.) to make an appointment.

#### **EALING FOOD SOUTHALL** BANK-CAFÉ: For help, please phone 020 8840 9428 and

listen for the different options:

Option 1 for booking collections or home delivery

Option 2 for information on how to get a referral

Option 3 for any other enquiry and to speak to the manager

### **REPORTING ABUSE:** If

you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. You can also the contact Catholic Standards Safeguarding (CSSA) Agency by telephoning 0207 901 1920 email via admin@catholicsafeguardin g.org.uk.

Advent with a difference! Reverse Advent Calendar 2023: In previous years, as a parish, everyone has generously participated in an "Advent with a Difference", by creating a 'Reverse Advent Calendar'. I would like to continue this 'tradition' and would ask each household in the parish to put together a hamper/box/basket of non-perishable items, on each day of Advent, beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023. Food and other items especially toiletries and nappies size 5, can be included in the hamper. Delivered the hamper to the sacristy latest by Sunday 17th December 2023. It will then be distributed via the Foodbank on 21<sup>st</sup> December, in time for Christmas and will ensure that as many people and families as possible, benefit from our spirit of generosity in this season of giving and sharing.

# **Advent and Christmas Celebration**

Advent Penance Service for Children & Young People on Saturday 16th December from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. For the rest of the parish on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Altar Servers for Christmas Masses: Parish altar servers who regularly serve Mass in the Church are invite to come and serve on 24/25 December. If you are interested, please write your name, Mass time and contact details on the forms provided. Training on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 10:00 am.

**Readers for Christmas Masses:** We would like to invite parishioners to become readers during the Christmas Masses. If you are interested, please call the parish office latest by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Parish Christmas Carol Service: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7 p.m. A celebration for the entire parish. All are welcome. Come and sing along with others your favourite carols.

Live Crib at St Anselm: On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 5 p.m. We shall be having a Live Crib outside the Church to encourage those passing by in the street to join in the celebration. Come let us adore Him.

Christmas Eve Mass Timings: 3 p.m. (opening of the crib), 5.30 p.m., 8 p.m. & 11.30 p.m. (Tamil Mass). Christmas Day Mass Timings: 8 a.m., 9.45 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

Feast of St Stephen, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December, Mass at 12 noon

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15 a.m.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December, Mass at 12 noon and 6.30 p.m. (vigil)

Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday 31st December, Mass at 8 a.m., 9.45 a.m., 4.00 pm Konkani, & New Year Mass at 8 p.m.

Solemnity of the Mother of God, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024, Mass at 12 noon

The Parish Clergy invites Senior Citizens to enjoy Christmas 2023 with a Celebration Lunch on Wednesday 27th December at 1 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Come along – have lunch and spend the day with the Clergy and other parishioners. We will be delighted to have you as our guest (free of charge). All are welcome. To help us plan the day, please call the parish office (Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.) and provide us with your Name, Telephone No, Address, special dietary needs, and if you will need transport on the day. Parishioners can help with the Senior Citizens Celebration Lunch by 1) offering to help on Wednesday 27th December 2) providing transport on Wednesday 27th December 3) providing food/drink/gifts/music/ help in any other. Donations are welcome to cover the cost. Thank you.

Confirmation Programme 2024 Update: First meeting for parents and young people (Introduction & Mass). Monday Group on 8th January 2024 at 5.15 p.m. and Tuesday Group on 9th January 2024 at 5.15 p.m. in the church.