



SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2026 GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH (VOL. 8 ISSUE 307)

5th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (ORDINARY TIME) (YEAR A)

Parish Priest: Fr. Con Boyle: 01689 842644

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Reflection: Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Saviour, is with us to the end of time. On that, we have His solemn promise. He is with us in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass primarily. For us, to attend Holy Mass is the

closest we can be to Him, this side of the divide between Heaven & earth.

With Holy Mass as its primary prayer, the Church presents to us various Feasts and Memorials to guide, inspire and enlighten us – e.g. this Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking & Slavery - February 8th is the Memorial of **St. Josephine Bakhita**, native of the Darfur area of Sudan (1869-1947). Before the age of 11, she was sold into slavery twice and was treated cruelly. In 1883, aged 14, she was sold by a general in Turkey to the Italian Consulate there. In 1885 she was taken to Italy and was treated justly at last, being employed as a governess to a family's daughter. In 1887 a friend of that family gave her a crucifix. Her heart and mind were now firmly set. She converted to Christianity/Catholicism and from then on, identified her previous sufferings in the Cross of Jesus Christ Our Lord. In Italy, she would live for over 40 years as a nun. She had a very close devotion to Our Lady and especially to the Rosary. (In this prayer, let us remember her nation **Sudan** – "**the forgotten war**").

Wednesday is **the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes** (February 11th) – **World Day of Prayer for the Sick**.

Finally, on Saturday 14th February at Westminster Cathedral (at 12 noon), a longstanding Southwark priest, **Bishop Richard Moth**, Bishop of Arundel & Brighton, will be installed as the next **Archbishop of Westminster**, in succession to Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Let us keep Bishop Richard in our prayers, as he takes up this very challenging commission.

Saturday 7th February 2026 Feria (Our Lady: 1st Saturday)

10am Mass – Deceased members of the Green family (& Teresa Fernandes RIP)

Confessions 10.30 – 11am & 5.45pm- 6.15pm

6.30pm Mass – People of the parish

SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2026

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)

7:30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – Kathleen O'Leary RIP (Kathleen's mother)

11am Mass – For grace to imitate St. Josephine Bakhita's patience and humility

Monday 9th February 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For the full recovery of Cyril Ojiemen

Tuesday 10th February 2026 St. Scholastica (Virgin)

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Myles Bampton RIP & Yvonne Lawton RIP (C & M)

Wednesday 11th February 2026 Our Lady of Lourdes

8.30am Adoration

9.15 Mass – For Athul Thomas (birthday today)

Thursday 12th February 2026 Feria

8am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Michael O'Hara RIP (1 month's mind)

Friday 13th February 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Noreen Appleby RIP

Saturday 14th February 2026 SS Cyril & Methodius

10.00am Mass – For Bishop Richard Moth (installed today as Archbishop of Westminster)

Confessions: 10.30-11.00am & 5.45pm-6.15pm

6.30pm Mass – Living & deceased members of the Ignatius family (C & M)

SUNDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2026

THE 6th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)

7:30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – People of the parish

11am Mass – For those souls in Purgatory who have no-one to pray for them (C & M)

Good Shepherd Catholic Primary and Nursery School

If you are a parent with “a newborn”, or a child aged 1-3 years, please do “register” your Catholic child for our Catholic Primary School. Mrs. Jane Day, our headteacher, writes as follows, inviting you to visit the school:

“Good Shepherd is a very friendly & inclusive school, and we welcome families to come and visit. At our school ‘every day is an open day’ – so please come along for a tour of our lovely school and ask any questions you may have. Feel free to call in advance (01689-841771) or just turn up. We are rated “Good” by both Ofsted and the Catholic Schools Inspectorate”.

Home/Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

New Addington Foodbank: thank you for all your contributions. CURRENTLY THE FOODBANK NEEDS: household cleaning products; nappies size 4 & higher; baby wipes; long-life milk; sugar; coffee; squash/fruit juice; savoury biscuits/crackers; rice; cooking oil; meat pies.

2020 Diamond Fund: this actually dates from March 2015. 2017 was our 60th Year - the Diamond Anniversary as a parish. 2020 marked 60 years of our church being built, before its unveiling in 1962. Details of the 2020 Diamond Fund bank account avail from Fr. Con, for anyone wishing to transfer. Thanks to all contributors.

Gift Aid Scheme: Parishioners, not yet members, are encouraged to join. You paid tax on your weekly giving to the parish. It can come back to the parish from HMR & C at no cost to you.

Please pray for those with health issues: Peter Brown, Cyril Ojiemen, Curtis Pointu, Francesco Bruno, Jim Venis, Thomas Gunn, Issy Okwuobi, Divina Ddungu, Michael Onuh, Jason Brewer, Ruddyn Mathiasine, Sebastian Akogun, Vera Arthur, Susan Smith, Izeubokun Ichide, John Kabangue, Roseline Bardo, Winston Daniel, Teresa Saunders, Joyce Dean, Dorothy & Maria Vassallo, Fred Wye, Trudi Ollivierre, Philomena deSouza, Shirley Pointu, Ann Gavigan, Cyril Green, Patricia Tougher, Kathy & Terry Jobson, Kathleen Sage, Mary Davies, Anjali & Doug Fanthome, Margaret Furey, Bryan & Maria Smith, Edith Mack, Eileen Evans, Tilly Whitmore, Celia Hulbert, Maura Malinoff, Amelia & Georgina Holmes, Ken & Maria Rowland, Anita Gregory, Victoria Kana, Jamie Prince, Pat Vaughan, E. Hanks, Pat Enver, Julie Jones, Tyrone Phillips, Saoirse Hennessey, M. Slattery.

COLLECTIONS

January 31st& February 1st: Attendance: **195** Collection: £**516-68** Gift-Aided: £**340** Loose: £**176.68**

2nd Collection: £**263.47** (ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL)

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