

# Trinity Bell



*Newsletter of the Most Holy Trinity Church, Dockhead.*

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent & Christmas

In the Year of Mark

19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020 (47/20)

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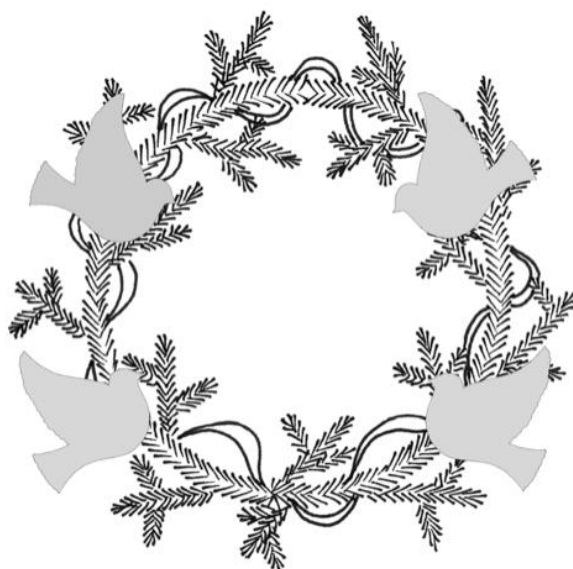
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The obligation to attend mass on Saturday / Sunday is suspended. You may wish to join one of the live streamed masses in the Diocese

[www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/streaming.html](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/streaming.html)



### Christmas Schedule of Masses

Christmas Eve Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December - 5pm & 7pm

Christmas Day Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December - 9:30am & 11am

Boxing Day Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> December - 11am

Feast of the Holy Family Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December - 9:30am,  
11am & 6pm

*Reflections can be found on our parish website.*

*This week, there is one for 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent and one for Christmas.*

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, ferial cycle 1, psalter week 4*

**Anniversaries**

Saturday	19	Dec	Ernest Cooksey, Thomas Griffin, Denis Scully, Kumba Alli
Sunday	20	Dec	Elizabeth Walsh, Robert Walsh, Rose Manzi, Stuart Pitaluga, Catherine Alice Jarman, Claire Hurley, Dennis Saunders
Monday	21	Dec	Thomas Smith, Joseph Mahoney, Michael Kelly, Margaret Victoria Cooper, Iain Urquhart
Tuesday	22	Dec	Kathleen Theresa Matuszak, Joseph Sheen, Victoria Kerry, Margaret Gallagher
Wednesday	23	Dec	Bridget Byrne, Ellen Walsh, Patrick Francis Bernard Cortizo, Patrick Francis Bernard Cortizo, Violet Burke Burr
Thursday	24	Dec	Dennis Glaum, William Murphy, Mary Josephine Kelly, Myles Hynes
Friday	25	Dec	Peter Hann
Saturday	26	Dec	James (Jim) Walsh
Sunday	27	Dec	William Hanrahan, Patrick Walsh, John McCarry, Rosa Maria Vargas Ramirez

***Please keep in your prayers those who are sick in our Parish***

Canon Alan Linda Lawler Jo Brennan Frank Harding Augie Wilson Sr Jean Parkes Martin Parry Pauline Marshall Mary Marshall Fr Pat Maloney Andy Tigag Aaron Mullen	Martin Carroll Eileen Sullivan Alma Paktiene Andrew Swords Oliver Britten Martha Lawson Isatu Mansaray Jean McDonagh Alison Fox Loran Prentice Piotr Dolata Eva Shepherd	Paul Haughey Erdvilas Chodosevicius Rosemary Mahendron Justina Ofodu Emma Kilkaed Simon Gilbert Geraldine Bird Bernard Brown Veronica Olorun-Rinu Martha McTernan Sue Gilbert Pat Sharp	Maebh Glemser June Rowland Bernadette Hutton Patrick O’Gorman Ham Ngo Anne Ward Susan Isa Grace Kamara Eunice Eunuson Ruth Lake Richard McCluney Leah Vincent
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<b>SAINTS &amp; FEASTDAYS</b>	<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>	
Saturday 19 Dec Feria	6pm	Amelia & Lukasz Int.
Sunday 20 Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)	9:30am	People of the Parish
	11am	Kitty Tyler
	6pm	Alfred Hewson & Elizabeth Tully
Monday 21 Dec Feria		<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 22 Dec Feria	9:30am	Daniel Driscoll
Wednesday 23 Dec Feria	9:30am	James Kirby
Thursday 24 Dec Christmas Eve	5pm	Martha McTernan
	7pm	Peace in our World
Friday 25 Dec Solemnity of The Nativity of Our Lord	9:30am	People of the Parish
	11am	Deceased of the Parish
Saturday 26 Dec St Stephen	11am	Sr Agatha’s Int.
Sunday 27 Dec Feast of The Holy Family	9:30am	Anna Odeh
	11am	People of the Parish
	6pm	Special Intention

## Message from Canon Alan

Dear all

As we begin this fourth week of Advent it's hard to believe that Friday is Christmas Day. A year like no other. A year I hope we never have to go through again. I am amazed that we have coped so well, yet this last period with the dark nights have been far from easy. Darkness makes us feel unsure and light gives us confidence when we can see where we are going. Christmas is a celebration of light. In pagan times the dawning of the light of spring gave people hope. The coming of Jesus into our world is very much a celebration of the light of God coming to be the light of eternal life. Many of us have seen the light of a vaccine as that hope for a better tomorrow, cutting through the horror of the corona virus. We may even have seen it as an early Christmas present.

However you are spending your Christmas, I pray that the light of the Lord Jesus will give you strength and keep you safe.

Please note that our Christmas Masses on Christmas Eve have been changed, 5pm and 7pm and Christmas day is the same as Sunday except no evening mass. The Bishops have also said that you can go to Mass as the Christmas obligation on any of the days of the octave of Christmas.

Thanks again for all your good wishes, cards and gifts that I continue to receive since my operation. I am overwhelmed by your kindness and concern. I continue to improve and I am listening to all those who have told me not to take too much on. Please keep those who are sick in your prayers. Your prayers are a comfort to many and a sign of the light of love. We have a number of bereaved people and those who are going through difficulties in our parish at the moment. Please keep them in your prayers as well.

May this special time be a safe time for you all and may the love of the Christ Child enfold you in hope.

I miss you and love you all very much.  
Canon Alan



### **Manna Centre - Clothes for the Homeless**

Thank you for all the donations of clothes for our local homeless, the Manna Centre



### **Christmas CAFOD Covid-19 Appeal**

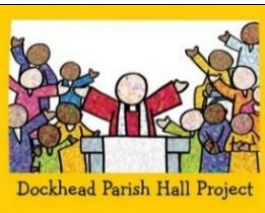
Last weekend you donated £358.34 towards this special collection. Thank You!

This weekend we will be having a further collection – can we make the total £1,000?

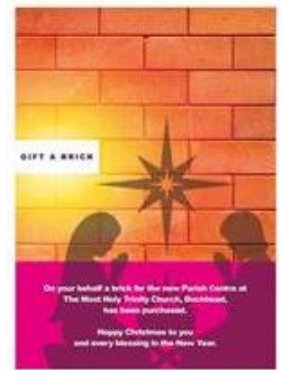
# Christmas Offering - Canon Alan

**By tradition the offerings made at all Masses on Christmas Eve/ Christmas Day are our personal gift to Canon Alan. It is our way of saying thank you to Canon Alan for his dedication and service to our community. The Christmas and Easter Collections form the major part of his annual salary.**

**If you have a box of envelopes, you will find a special envelope in your box. If you don't have a box, then please take an envelope from the table at the back of the Church.**



## Our Parish Centre Project



**Christmas Cards – our thanks to all who supported the Gift a Brick Cards. So far, we have raised £495.**

**During the last two months, we have raised a further £724 from donations of odd coins, pledges and other donations. It all adds up.**

**Our thanks to you all for your continued support.**

The Virgin Mary silently awaited God's Word of salvation; she welcomed it; she listened to it; she conceived it. In her, God became close. This is why the Church calls Mary a "Cause of our joy".



POPE FRANCIS

## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

We would like to say a big thank you to those who have continued to make contributions either online or by donating when you come to the Church. This is helping us in meeting our general running costs – heat, light, phone etc for both the Church and the Priest's House!

Church collection: 12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> December £473

Plus Standing Orders average £605 and Parish Offertory Justgiving page average £134

TOTAL £1,212 compared to £2,100 pre Covid-19 lockdown

### A NEW WAY OF MAKING YOUR OFFERTORY DONATION:

If you have not yet heard, there is now an additional way you can make a donation to the church for your offering. You can go to our website front page <https://dockhead.com/> . Half way down is the message 'Click here to make your regular offertory donation' – just click on the picture below of the Church and follow the instructions.

Thank you for your continued generosity!