



PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest:

Fr. Vincent Nnatuanya C.S.S.p

Other Priests:

Fr. Oliver Ejike Ugwu C.S.S.p

Fr. Marcel Uzoigwe C.S.S.p

Parish Secretary:

Miss Vijitha Alfred

Hall Manager:

Mrs Maggie Rea

Tel: 07885 353105

MASS TIMES:

Daily at 10am

Saturday (Vigil) at 6.30pm

Sunday 10.15 & 12noon

1st Saturday of the month

Devotion/Confessions

ROSARY:

Mon-Fri 9.30am

Sun 9.20am

PARISH TEL:

020 3105 8577

PARISH E-MAIL:

shootershill@rcaos.org.uk

PARISH WEBSITE:

stjoseph-shootershillrcaos.org.uk

OFFICE HOURS:

Wed 10am-2pm

SCHOOL:

Notre Dame Catholic

Primary School

Tel: 020 8854 0585

Website:

<https://www.notredame.greenwich.sch.uk/>

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

The children's liturgy will be on

07-12-2025

MASS INTENTIONS: 20th December 2025 -28th December 2025

20/12/2025 Saturday 6.30pm	People of the parish
21/12/2025 Sunday 10.15am	People of the parish
21/12/2025 Sunday 12.00noon	-Elizabeth Crissel RIP -Jonathan Osagie
22/12/2025 Monday 10.00am	Holy souls
23/12/2025 Tuesday 10.00 am	Holy souls
24/12/2025 Wed 12.00pm	Christmas Eve
25/12/2025 Thursday 10.00am	Birthday intention for Noel Ackah
25/12/2025 Thursday 12.00pm	Christmas Day Mass
26/12/2025 Friday 10.00 am	Holy souls
27/12/2025 Saturday 6.30 pm	People of the parish
28/12/2025 Sunday 10.15 am	People of the parish
28/12/2025 Sunday 12.00 noon	Gratitude to God Mary-Ann Osagie

<i>First reading</i>	<i>Isaiah 7:10-14</i>	<i>'Behold the virgin shall conceive'</i>
<i>Psalm</i>	<i>Psalm 24(23):1-2.3-4b.5-6. R.cf.7c,10b</i>	<i>Let the lord enter; he is the king of glory.</i>
<i>Second reading</i>	<i>Romans 1:1-7</i>	<i>'Jesus Christ descended from David, Son of God</i>
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	<i>Mathew 1:23</i>	<i>Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call him Emmanuel -which means, God with us</i>
<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Mathew 1:18-24</i>	<i>'Jesus was born of Mary, who was betrothed to Joseph, son of David'</i>

NOTICES

EXPOSITION & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our parish every Sunday, between 9am -10am before the 10.15am Mass

HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV has appointed the Right Reverend Richard Moth as Archbishop of Westminster. Archbishop-elect Moth will become the 12th Archbishop of Westminster, succeeding Cardinal Vincent Nichols, who has served in the role since 2009. Cardinal Nichols will now become Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Westminster until Archbishop-elect Moth is Installed at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday, 14 February 2026. Please keep Bishop Moth in your prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION -This Weekend second collection is for **Hall fund**. Thank you for your generosity

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE CAN BE FOUND HERE:

<https://www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/media/1821/christmas2025.pdf>

MISSION STATEMENT

To build a community of believers where everybody will be known and appreciated

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COLLECTIONS:

13th /14th November

1st collection: £268.40

2nd collection: £58.00

(Alter servers)

27th/28th December

Hall fund

100 CLUB:

The winner of the November 2025 draw is

Noel CONGRATULATIONS!

The total amount to the Parish in October 2025 is £483.

PARISH BANK DETAILS:

Name: RCAS Shooters Hill

Sort Code: 60-50-01

Account No: 36002445

SAFEGUARDING: It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. 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.

Further safeguarding information

-Parish Website

<https://stjosephs-rcaos.org.uk>

-Parish Safeguarding Representatives:

*Melanie Lanzon

shootershillsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

*John Woodcock

shootershillsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

PARISH NEWSLETTER

To save on printing costs, we only print a double-sided copy of the weekly newsletter. There is a longer version on the parish website with much more information – please take a look.

CHRISTMAS WISHES-Frs. Vincent, Oliver, Marcel wants to wish our beloved Parishioners a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the child Jesus find a place in our hearts and families at Christmas and always. We thank all our Parishioners for their gifts and good wishes. May God bless you abundantly.



PLEASE NOTE-The church office will be closed for the Christmas period from 23rd December until 4th January. We wish everyone a very happy and blessed Christmas.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – A sincere thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas Bazaar a success. With your generosity, we raised a total of 1,297.21. We truly appreciate your support.

A DAY WITH MARY is taking place at our Lady of Help of Christian's Blackheath SE39RD on Saturday 20 December 2025 (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> or <https://eventcatholic.com/>

ARCHBISHOP JOHN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE -In his annual Christmas message, Archbishop John Wilson said: "The beautiful truth of Christmas is that because of God in Christ we are never lost. God chose to be near us, to stay close to us always, to draw us to himself, always. In his endless mercy, the Lord Jesus chose to love us, so we could know and believe that "God is love" (1 John 4:16). In turn, all the Lord Jesus asks of us is to not be afraid and to say yes to him, to draw close to him, to love him". You can watch and read the full message at rcaos.org.uk/christmasmessage2025.



TO MARK THE CLOSING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025, St George's Cathedral will be celebrating a Solemn Mass on Sunday 28 December at 12pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Canon Michael Branch, who will be joined by the beautiful St George's Cathedral Choir. All are welcome to join and give thanks to the Lord Jesus for the hope within us

JOIN OUR PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES travelling overnight by luxury coach from 9 to 14 February 2026. It is always a beautiful and deeply spiritual experience soaking in the Spirit of Jesus as we travel to honour Our Blessed Mother. Leaving Slough and Ealing Broadway on 9 Feb 2026 and departing Lourdes on 13 February for a visit to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Rue de Bac, Paris on 14 February morning and arriving in London. Travel, full board and program cost £590. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more info.

OUR NEIGHBOURING PARISH, THE OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH BUILDINGS PRESERVATION TRUST, will be selling premium Nordmann Fir Christmas trees in the church grounds. Trees will be available on Fridays from 3:30–7:30pm, Saturdays from 9:30am–5pm, and Sundays from 11am–3pm, with sales running until 23rd December

KINDLY NOTE -We kindly ask for donations of A4 yellow papers to help us in printing our Parish weekly newsletters. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

REPOSITORY The repository is open after Sunday masses. Please get your sacramental

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SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

It depends on the generosity of all the parishioners to enable the parish to continue and flourish. We encourage parishioners to become involved by volunteering and contributing financially

ECUMENICAL PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI 2026. Join Bishop Paul Hendricks, Canon Michael Branch and Anglican Bishop Christopher Chessun on a joyful 8-day pilgrimage from 2 March - 9 March 2026 to Rome and Assisi <https://www.mccabe-travel.co.uk/pilgrimages/southwark-rome-and-assisi-8-day/>

YOUR LEGACY OF FAITH: Remember the Church with a gift in your Will. When you move onto the next life, you can make your lifetime of faith live on through a gift in your Will. If you are thinking of putting your affairs in order, the Archdiocese of Southwark can help. If you would like to find out more and receive information on Will writing and estate planning contact the team on legacy@rcaos.org.uk or tel.no. 020 7960 2504. An information leaflet is available on the table in the porch. A copy is also on [https:// rcaos.org.uk/donate/leave-a-legacy/](https://rcaos.org.uk/donate/leave-a-legacy/)

HOPE IN ADORATION-As part of the Jubilee Year 2025, Archbishop John is encouraging people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and have their hopes 'fulfilled by Christ' Throughout the year, the Hope in Adoration campaign will share testimonies from parish priests and the laity on how Eucharistic Adoration has helped them build a closer relationship with the Lord Jesus. More details- rcaos.org.uk/hopeinadoration

WEEKLY COLLECTION Please do not put foreign coins or other tokens in the weekly collection as this causes problems for our counting team and when banking cash

GIFT AID -All those currently in the Gift Aid Scheme, please collect your **New GIFT AID BOX** after mass this weekend or during week. New members are most welcome to join. Registration is very simple, just pick a form today. Complete it and hand it in. Thank you to all those who contribute magnificently to gift aid. May God bless you abundantly for your support

GIFT AID DONORS-If you have recently started donating via standing order or you are putting loose cash into the collection, and you are able to gift aid your monthly offering, please complete a gift aid form online on forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/

CONTACTLESS MACHINE-Recently, the wire to the terminal has been pulled out which means people cannot use it. **PLEASE DO NOT LET CHILDREN TOUCH THE MACHINE.**

PARISH DIGITAL TEAM- Our new digital team will manage the Parish's website and digital channels including the new screen displays. We are inviting our young people to join the new digital team. If you have an interest in technology, do join

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the team by contacting parish office. You can also contact our Parish Priests or any of the Parish Teams.



WELCOMERS GROUP

Would anyone like to join our existing Welcoming Group? It is hoped to start a rota again so all Masses during the weekend will have at least 2 people to welcome people, answer queries and **smile** before and after Mass. They will be expected to arrive 15 mins before Mass and leave approx. 15 mins after and have a basic understanding of our parish. **If you feel you can help with this, please give your details on the form on the notice board.**

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