Our Vision: We are a community brought together by God's love. Our baptism calls us to respond to that love by following Christ and serving our neighbours. We strengthen our union with Christ, with one another and with the Catholic Church through our celebration of the Eucharist. We foster works that promote the spirit of the Gospel including its relevance to social justice.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH BRIXTON HILL

NEWSLETTER

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The Fourth Sunday of Advent

23rd December 2012

6.00pm

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Tina O'Connell

Fr. Nick Austin SJ

Fr. Josef Briffa SJ

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

with exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 12: 00 p m - 1:00 p m and after Saturday Evening Mass. Mass Times:

Daily Mass: 9:30 am Sat: First Mass of Sunday: 6:00 pm Sun: 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm

Sat 22nd/Sun 23rd			Fourth Sunday of Advent	Readers
Vigil	6.00pm		Robert & Mary Reid - welfare	Sarah Brassington
•	9.00am		Parishioners	Francis Robinson
	10.30am	1	Paddy Kavanagh RIP JosephineNamus	isi Riley & Rebekah O'Keeffe
	12 noon		Eddie Lacey RIP	Miranda Sawyer
	6.00pm		Leslie Smith RIP	Janet Cleeve
24th	Mon	NO MOR	RNING MASS TODAY	
		6.00pm	Annie Hunter-Gillespie RIP (anniv.)
		Midnigh	t Parishioners	
25th	Tues	9.00am	Welfare Lana Serne (Sick)	
		10.30am	n Ignacio Lopera RIP	
		12 noon	Gabriella Russell Cruise - foundation	on mass
26th	Wed	11.00am	n Catherine Whittaker RIP (1st anni	v.)
27th	Thur	9.30am	Nora Doolan RIP	
28th	Fri	9.30am	Thomas De Souza - welfare	
29th	Sat	9.30am	David Ahmed RIP	
Sat 29th/Sun 30th			The Holy Family	Readers
Vigil	6.00pm		Gilberto Pedrazo RIP	Sue Murray
	9.00am		Welfare Kay Fenner (Sick)	Gabby Dawnay
	10.30am	ı	Parishioners Winston R	iley & Geraldine Glennon
	12 noon		John Carey RIP	Pat Sutton

Tony Flaherty RIP

Our prayers go out to those who are sick, and to those who care for them.

especially: Peter Fitzpatrick, Doreen McCarthy, Maria Grant, Sonia Miller, Violet Wilson, Alfred Owusu, Tom Glennon, Nancy Ward, Martin Leahy, Tony Burke, Maria Ramdel. Geraldine Padden. Fitzgerald, Christine Brohan, Sean Zephyr, Bridget Morley, Doris Dehoo, Phillip Murray, Silas Pullen, Joan Weber Patrick Herron, Patricia Bellamy, Elsie Binder, David Forbes. Doris Taborda, Bridie Doherty, Anne Weller, Phil McLoughlin, Breda Fowles, Mary Conroy, Martin Conroy and William Gormley, Lana Serne, Thomas DeSousa, Maura Flaherty, Magdalene Pooe, Jerome Lynch, Francis Bernard, Kay Fenner, Brian White

If you know of anyone who is sick, going to hospital or in need of prayers or a visit, please let us know. We sometimes, sadly, only discover someone has been in hospital or housebound long after. If you have a neighbour, friend or family member whom you think might welcome a visit or need a visit, please let us know. Also if someone goes to hospital it is important to let the staff know on admission that he/she is Catholic, otherwise the chaplain or parish might not know.

Please pray for the Repose of the Souls of all those who have died recently: Selina Dorothy, John McSherry, David Ahmed, Justin de Blank, Tina Cuomo (ex Sudbourne Road) Nora Doolan, Bridget O'Sullivan

Also for: Catherine Whittaker, Ignacio Lopera, Guy Lee, Eleanor Vanoli, Patrick Sheehan, Christopher Johnson, Antonio Santillo, Adrienne De Doncker, Mary Behan, Paulina Sammut, Margaret Smith, Michael Kearns, Annie Hunter-Gillespie whose anniversaries occur about now.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Rev Xavier Tharamel SJ who is to be ordained priest for the Society of Jesus in his native Kerala, India on January 5th. He leaves this week to go to Kerala and hopes to return to The Brixton Jesuit community after ordination in the New Year. He is planning to have his First Mass here on January 13th at 10.30am. Our prayers go with him.

Sadly we have to say farewell to Fr Rudy Noronha SJ who returns to his native India on the 31 December. We will miss him greatly and we thank him for his presence and work in the parish. We wish him every blessing.

The 6pm Children's Mass on Christmas Eve. The 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve is a CHILDREN'S MASS. We are looking for children to be the Angels and Shepherds. There will be a rehearsal at 10am on Christmas Eve. However, if you can't come to the rehearsal, your children are welcome just to turn up at the Mass as Shepherds or Angels and will be involved. Children should arrive by 5.45pm.

Corpus Christi Grand Draw and Party

Thanks to all who organised the event and those who came and supported last week's lovely Christmas Party, and thanks also to all who bought and sold tickets. Special thanks to 'Highways Ltd', who sponsored this year's Grand Draw so generously. A big cheer also to our own wonderful band and singers, Corpus Christi Band *rocks!* The prize list is published and is in the entry porch. A magnificent profit of £3,116.50 was made.

Hampers for the Friends of Corpus Christi: Please place all gifts and food items on the altar steps or in the box in the entry hall. These will be boxed up at lunchtime and distributed to the friends of Corpus Christi during Sunday afternoon. Thank you for your generosity.

Arena: Sister Wendy: Watch out for 'Arena' Sister Wendy and the Art of the Gospel on BBC2 on Christmas Day at 5.25. Arena is edited by parishioner, Anthony Wall. Sister Wendy tells the story of Christ through great paintings and talks of her own life and faith, this moment of prayer and the relationship the gospel stories have to an increasingly secular culture in Britain today.

Youth 2000 All those aged 16-35 are warmly invited to 'Restore@Balham' a Youth 2000 Retreat from 29 December 2012–1 January 2013 at The Holy Ghost Church in Balham, SW12 8QJ. DONATION-ONLY EVENT. For more info please visit www.youth2000.org email info@youth2000.org or call the national office on 020 7221 2124

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH BRIXTON HILL CHRISTMAS 2012

MONDAY 24th. (Christmas Eve) No Morning Mass

11am - 1pm: Confessions

6.00pm. First Mass of Christmas

especially for children and families

11.15pm. Carols

12 Midnight Midnight Mass

TUESDAY 25th. (Christmas Day)

9am Mass - with unaccompanied carols

10.30am Mass with carols and choir

12 Noon Mass with Carols

NO EVENING MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY 26th – Feast of St. Stephen Mass 11am

SUNDAY 30th - Feast of the Holy Family - Masses as usual

Monday 31st - Masses at 9.30am & 8pm

Tuesday 1st Jan - The Blessed Virgin Mary Mass 11am

Christmas Offering Envelopes; Available today. The envelopes and the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day collections are your contribution to Fr. Tom for his upkeep. With the Easter Collection this is his main source of income. - Thank you for your generosity

Women at the Well Appeal

We need donations of toiletries, eg shampoo, body lotion, bathing gel, soap (all individual sizes) or nappies to The Crib. The Crib money goes to 'The Cabrini Children's Society.' Thanks very much.

HYMNS FOR 10.30am MASS:

Entrance: 113 Lighting of Advent Wreath: 112 v5 Penitential Rite: follow Cantor Kyrie from Mass of Joy Psalm: 111 Gospel Acclamation: 64 v14-18 Offertory: 339 Sanctus: Mass of Creation Memorial Acclamation: Mass of Joy - Save us Saviour of the World Agnus Dei: Peter Scally Communion: See, I am the handmaid of God, I let it be according to your word, followed by 775 Recessional: 112

12.00 noon Mass: Ent: 113 Off: 846 Com: 339 Recessional: 152

Last Week's Collection: £1,388.45 Thanks to all who generously support the Parish. Do you pay tax on pension or income? Have you signed a Gift Aid Form? It does not cost you any more but helps the parish greatly. The parish gets 25p from the government for every £1 you give. Please ask Nigel Bellamy, Joe or Fr. Tom for details.

Feasts This Week:

Mon	24th	Christmas Eve
Tues	25th	Christmas Day - The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Wed	26th	St Stephen, deacon & first martyr
Thurs	27th	St John, apostle & evangelist
Fri	28th	The Holy Innocents, martyrs
Sat	29th	St Thomas of Canterbury, bishop & martyr

For all Mass times please see the Mass timetable inside this newsletter.

CHRISTMAS WISHES: A new birth in a family brings great joy and hope. It focuses our minds on new life and future challenges. The same could be said of The Feast of Christmas. Coupled with The Easter Triduum we are made aware of the the Church being constantly renewed. It brings new life, new hope, new challenges and genuine joy. May I along with

The Jesuit Community and Parish Team, wish you all a very Happy, Peaceful and Joyful Christmas.

- Fr. Tom

Living the Word -

- •Who blesses your life this week? Thank the Lord for their presence.
- •This week where does your faith respond to the presence of the Lord with joy?
- •How do your beliefs affect your actions this week?

Readings Next Sunday: The Holy Family Cycle C Part 1

1st: 1 Sam 1:20-22, 24-28 Psalm: Psalm 83 2nd: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

ALTAR SERVERS: Today: Rota A Next Sunday Rota B

CLEANING THIS WEEK: Group 2: 2.00pm/3.00pm Theresa Usoh, Princess French, Felicia Elabor, Von Oyonwo Efeturi-Akpobome, Mote Akudihor, Vivenne Lovedale

TEAS AND COFFEES NEXT SUNDAY: Team 1: Kessie Ya Obin, Rahel Gebremaskel, Lydia Ali