

**WE CAN STILL DEFEAT
THE ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL!**

There is a clear path toward the assisted suicide Bill being defeated at Third Reading. Early analysis shows that **at least 36 MPs supported the Bill but have concerns that mean they may vote NO at later stages.**

Just 28 MPs switching their stance to NO would ensure it is defeated at Third Reading. We need MPs to know that their constituents want them to vote NO at Third Reading.

Please take action now and visit

**[www.righttolife.org.uk/
ASvote](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/ASvote)**

to find out how your MP voted and ask them to vote against the Bill at Third Reading.

JUBILEE 2025

Every 25 years there is a
YEAR OF JUBILEE IN ROME.

The Holy Father,

Pope Francis, invites us all
to become & Be Pilgrims.

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IN SOUTHWARK DIOCESE

we are invited to gather in

AYLESFORD on

SATURDAY 7TH JUNE 2025.

Pentecost weekend,

and to England's Nazareth

IN WALSINGHAM, Norfolk,

SATURDAY 28TH JUNE 2025.

Save the date:

Saturday 25th January 2025

9.30am – 4.30pm

BUILDING A BETTER

MARRIAGE

This day, to be held at
**St Stephen's Parish Hall,
Deepdene Road, Welling,**
starting at 9.30am until 4.30pm, is a day in which married couples can privately explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into the communication and the call of the Church to the married.

There is no charge for this course.

**Booking is essential -
please contact Carole on
mflkent@rcaos.org.uk
or phone 07983 524 727**

Refreshments will be provided but please bring a packed lunch.

the day of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the weekend of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

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In **THIS DEANERY OF BEXLEY**, we can be Pilgrims too and travel, on foot, or by car, or bus, or cycle, to **ST JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH**, Heathfield Road, **BEXLEYHEATH**,

ON SATURDAY 5TH OF JULY 2025

Please, enter this date

in your diaries.

BE PILGRIMS OF HOPE

in 2025!

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+ J. M. J. + JESUS, + MARY, and + JOSEPH +

Newsletter Supplement: Third Sunday of Advent (C)

15th December A. D. 2024 - December is Month of the Immaculate Conception And the Preparation for the Coming and Birthday of Christ.

Please come to

OUR CHRISTMAS EVENT

TODAY: SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER after 10:30am Holy Mass

until 3:00pm when the **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

will be drawn, followed by

the **Parish Christmas**

CAROL SERVICE

in Church at 3:30pm.

PLEASE COME, AND INVITE

YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESE

ROSARY PRAYER PROJECT

Everyone is warmly invited to join this Archdiocese-wide prayer initiative, PRAYING A DECADE OF THE ROSARY EACH DAY FOR PRIESTS AND PARISHES IN THEIR DEANERY.

For details see the poster on the noticeboard, pick up an invitation leaflet at the back of church or email:

southwarkrenewal@gmail.com

***PILGRIMS OF HOPE
TOWARDS 7TH JUNE 2025***

In his annual Christmas message,
**ARCHBISHOP
JOHN WILSON**

said in a divided world, filled with conflict, it can be tempting to lose hope. But in times of darkness, division and pain “we must turn to our one, great living hope - the Lord Jesus. In Him, and in His message of Good News, we see the possibility of a different and better world”. This, Archbishop John said, “is what the truth of Christmas is all about. It’s a story of hope triumphing over darkness. It is the story of our salvation. It’s God’s love story towards our world and each one of us”. Looking ahead to next year, **THE ARCHBISHOP ENCOURAGES US TO TURN TO THE LORD JESUS IN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**, as prayer, he said, “is the most active expression of our love and hope. And there is no more hopeful and active prayer than when we place ourselves before the Blessed Sacrament, the Real Presence of Jesus. Our Lord Jesus told His disciples to remain with Him, and keep watch with Him. This is what He invited us – me and you – to do. To stay with Him in prayer”. You can watch the full message here

**[https://tinyurl.com/
Christmasmessage2024](https://tinyurl.com/Christmasmessage2024)**

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EVEN MORE PRAYERS EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW BY HEART

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:

COME, O HOLY SPIRIT,
fill the hearts of Your faithful,
and enkindle in them
the fire of Your love.

V/: Send forth Your Spirit
and they shall be created.

R/: And You shall renew
the face of the earth.

Let us pray:

O God, Who taught the hearts of the faithful
by the Light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by
the same Spirit we may be always truly
wise and ever rejoice in His consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. **R/:** AMEN.

**A SHORT AND SIMPLE
"ACT OF CONTRITION":**

O MY GOD,
because You are so good,
I am very sorry that
I have sinned against You,
and by the help
of Your Grace,
I will not sin again.
AMEN.

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

ANGEL OF GOD,
my Guardian dear,
to whom God's love
commits me here,
ever this day (or night)
be at my side,
to light, to guard,
to rule and guide.
AMEN.

HOLY MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL,

defend us in this day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray, and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
thrust down to hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who wander through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

V: Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord,

R: AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT
SHINE UPON THEM,
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

May their souls, and the souls of
all the faithful departed, through
the mercy of God rest in peace.
AMEN.



**O Sacrament Most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine,
all praise and all thanksgiving
be every moment Thine!**



THE ANGELUS:

Reminds us of The Incarnation
/ The En-flesh-ment of
The CHRIST / THE WORD OF GOD
three times, every day, prayed at:
6:00am, 12noon, & 6:00pm.

FROM SOUTHWARK AGENCY
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AND CATECHESIS AEC,
AND FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY
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THE ANGELUS:

V: The Angel of the Lord
declared unto Mary;

R: AND SHE CONCEIVED
BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.

V: Hail MARY, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of
thy womb, JESUS.

R: HOLY MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD,
PRAY FOR US SINNERS,
NOW AND AT THE HOUR
OF OUR DEATH.
AMEN.

V: Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

R: BE IT DONE UNTO ME,
ACCORDING TO THY WORD.
HAIL MARY, ...

*(Please, if you can, try and kneel,
or bow deeply, for this next verse...)*

V: AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH;

R: AND DWELT AMONGST US.
HAIL MARY, ...

V: Pray for us,
O Holy Mother of God;

R: THAT WE MAY BE MADE
WORTHY OF THE PROMISES
OF CHRIST.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord,
Your grace into our hearts; that we,
to whom the Incarnation of Christ,
Your Son, was made known by
the message of an angel, may by
His Passion and Cross be brought
to the glory of His Resurrection.
Through the same Christ our Lord.

R: AMEN.