

WEEKDAY / SUNDAY MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY	8.00am	Helen Shilson RIP
1 st November	9.30am	Pierre Christophe RIP
	11.30am	People of Parish RIP
		Live Streamed www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11
	6.30pm	Canon John Duckett RIP

**COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(ALL SOULS)**

MONDAY	7.00am	Holy Souls
2 nd November	9.00am	Marie Francis RIP
	8.00pm	Holy Souls

FERIA

TUESDAY	9.00am	Deceased members of the Stackerd family
3 rd November		

ST CHARLES BORROMEO, Bp

WEDNESDAY	9.00am	Deceased members of the Parker family
4 th November		

FERIA

THURSDAY	9.00am	Holy Souls
5 th November		

FERIA

FRIDAY	9.00am	Helen Shilson RIP
6 th November		ADORATION UNTIL NOON
	7.30pm	Helen Parker RIP

FERIA

SATURDAY	9.00am	Holy Souls
7 th November	10.00am	Confessions
	5.30pm	Confessions
	6.30pm	Danny Daniels RIP

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

REMEMBRANCE DAY

SUNDAY	8.00am	People of Parish RIP
8 th November	9.30am	Kate Hayes RIP
	11.30am	Freddie Brewer RIP
		Live Streamed www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11
	6.30pm	John Francis Hayes RIP

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
31st October & 1st November 2020



They do not practice what they preach

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A NOVEMBER REFLECTION

At the waning of the year November comes dark and sombre. The days shorten and the nights grow long. All the abundance and richness of Autumn are stored in our barns. The fields lie bare and the trees stand skeletal and gaunt against a bleak sky. The wintery rain spills down and at times floods the earth. The days grow colder, and the hills are wrapped in a lonely hue. With the falling leaves we remember the Holy Souls – those who toiled amongst us and who we reluctantly let go, wondering how we would endure without them. We realise too that in the not too distant future we too will be remembered in the same way.

In today's world we do not feel comfortable thinking or talking about our own death. We try not to articulate the word 'death' at all. When someone dies, we say she or he has 'passed away'. And for a moment we may wonder where she or he has gone. But we know in our hearts that our loved one has died. For her or him, life has changed and is not taken away. The physical body has completed its purpose on earth. The spiritual soul has gone to an Eternal resting place "which eye hasn't seen, nor ear heard, nor has it entered into the mind to understand what God has in store for the one who believes in Him."

How engrossed we can become at times with reading articles and advertisements on TV which lure us into thinking that we can look and feel younger! How many lotions do we buy in the vain hope of thinking our wrinkles will smooth out or a facelift will enhance our craggy facial expression? We are encouraged to nourish our bodies and overcome our ageing process. The intention is to pretend that we will live longer.

But November cries 'STOP'. This month is a precious gift – a time of Grace. It's an opportunity to turn from passing things and to open our hearts as we remember that the only thing we are sure of is that we will die. It is a sombre thought and for some it may be frightening. But there is no need to fear. We will return to our Loving Father who has taken care of us all through our lives.

How radical is the Way of Jesus! He showed us that the way to God is to embrace our humanity with all its fragility and vulnerability. November is a very sacred month. It brings us an abundance of spiritual energies and meaning. It reminds us not to fear the winter season as spring will soon follow. It helps us to cast our blindness and doubt. On the Cross Jesus said to the man dying beside Him, "This day you are with me in Paradise."

"This is My gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." So, in peace let us await our death and Resurrection.

Sr Abbie O'Sullivan
(Extracted from The Far East)

God bless you and yours this week.
Father Pat

NHS COVID-19 TRACK AND TRACE APP & QR CODE

Please could all parishioners download the NHS COVID-19 Track and Trace App onto their phones or devices before attending masses or visiting the church. We have NHS QR code posters situated at entry points around the church, so that you may scan them using the app upon entry to the church or the Pastoral centre. This will easily help to check in to the church and enable us to keep parishioners safe during this time and help to stop the spread of COVID-19.

For more information and a link to download the app, please use this website: www.covid19.nhs.uk

PARISH FINANCES - PAYMENT METHOD

Contributions to the parish can be made via a page on the Brentwood Diocesan website at:

www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=wanstead

or by scanning the following QR code with your smartphone and selecting "General Offertory".



You can, if you prefer, make a payment directly into the parish bank account using online banking. You will need to set up the OLOL Wanstead Parish as a payee on your online banking app or internet page. The Parish Bank details are as follows -Bank: HSBC
Account Name: Catholic Church Wanstead Our Lady of Lourdes
Account number: 71018973 Sort Code: 40-13-22

100 CLUB WINNERS - CONGRATULATIONS!

100 CLUB WINNERS FOR OCTOBER:

1ST PRIZE – AGNES KELLY £100

2ND PRIZE – DELIA McCARTHY £50

3RD PRIZE – KEVIN SWEENEY £50

WELCOME

We welcome into the family of God through baptism – Daviana-Mercy Ezeah who was baptized recently.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to the eight young people confirmed on Saturday: Naia Duff-Hylton, Nadia Earey, Abigail Lestrade, Atonela Muja, Cheryl Nkafu, Ivana Ogunlaja, Nicole Ogunlaja & Sarah Paul. Confirmations for this year 2020, are now complete.

PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Robert Britt-Hazard, Steve Britt-Hazard, Pat Hetherington, Noreen Cavanagh, Justina Paul, Mary O’Riordan, Anne Silcock, Norma Cohen-Johnson, Olive Flynn, Bridie Connolly, Glafira D’Souza, Violet Ruttlidge, Mary P. Sullivan, Bridie Halligan & Mikey McDonagh.
{If you wish to include the name of a sick and housebound person, please contact the parish office}.

RIP ANNIVERSARIES

Gerrard Vincent Conolly, John Kelly, Mrs. Phyllis Williamson, Leslie Rainer, Vladislavis Radionovs, Jack Thomson, Mrs. Vicky Shepherd, Patrick Joseph Henry, Jane Byrne, Ellen Thorn, Sylvie Moutou, Leo Tyrie, Velda Patricia Wild, Daniel Fazzani, William Lane, Mrs. Bertha Arnold, Mrs. Mary Ward, John Kiely, Lucy Windberg, Merle Lewis, William Cleary, Danny Daniels, Anne Brady, Miss Lilian Lumbar, Mrs. Phoebe Higgins, Mrs. Nora Boyce, George Swan, Mary-Frances Floyd, Margaret Skeel, Valerie Gray, & John Francis James Hayes.

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

November in the Catholic tradition is the month of the Holy Souls. We remember with love and gratitude those who have died, whom we ourselves have known and loved. Please bring your list of names of those you want us to pray for and place in the box at the front of the Church. They will be remembered in Holy Souls Masses during November. *Eternal rest give unto them O’ Lord.*

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Due to COVID-19 and the health and safety of people, Father Pat will not be available to see parents face-to-face to endorse applications. If you wish to apply for a Catholic school, complete the certificate of Catholic Practice, bring it with you to mass and hand it to Father Pat personally after mass. If you do not attend mass and do not fulfill the admissions criteria of a Catholic school send your application to the school directly.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2020/2021

1st Holy Communion

We have started the programme and it is now full. We are unable to take any more children on the programme, please do not apply at this stage. Thank you.

Confirmation

Any young person in Year 10 or above who is interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year should, in the first instance, contact Michaela: michaelaololcc@gmail.com
We are still planning how we will organise the Confirmation programme this year.

BAPTISMS

Those wishing to arrange baptisms, please email or phone the Presbytery to make an appointment with one of the priests. Baptisms are now taking place but with restricted numbers attending.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION & READERS

Our numbers have become depleted during the pandemic. If you are returning to mass, please offer your services for these important ministries, contact the coordinators to offer your services: Kai Van Beers, Minister of Communion and Paul Godin, Readers’ Coordinator.

**POPE FRANCIS' FRATELLI TUTTI:
ON FRATERNITY & SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP**

“Let us dream, then, as a single human family, as fellow travellers sharing the same flesh, as children of the same earth which is our common home, each of us bringing the richness of his or her beliefs and convictions, each of us with his or her own voice, brothers and sisters all.”

~ Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti

MASS TIMES IN THE PARISH

From Sunday 1st November, the following mass times will apply in the parish:

***Monday to Saturday* – daily morning mass at 9am.**

***Friday* – evening mass at 7.30pm.**

***Sunday masses*– first mass of Sunday is on Saturday 6.30pm.**

***Sunday* – masses at 8am, 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.30pm.**

N.B. The obligation on Catholic people to attend Sunday mass has been suspended by the Bishops due to COVID-19.

Nevertheless, those who can do so safely are encouraged to attend mass. We now have 12 weekly masses in the parish. We have made a huge effort in this community to ensure the health and safety of all who attend mass here. Please comply with the instructions of the stewards.

CAN YOU HELP?

Normally around Christmas, I ask parishioners for some financial assistance for the poor and needy in the community. This year, I am making the request earlier than usual on account of the hardship felt by some due to COVID-19, especially families with young children. In some instances, food and clothes are needed. We quietly respond to those in need, confidentially, without disclosing who the recipients or donors are – respecting the dignity of all.

If you wish to make a donation, please place it in an envelope and please make sure you Gift Aid it if you are a taxpayer. This means an extra 25p in every pound donated, it soon adds up! Thank you.

ITEMS OF INTEREST...

REPOSITORY SALES

Repository sales to be held in the Pastoral Centre after 9.30am and 11.30am masses on Sunday. Please come take a look and see. Entry by the fire door.



RIGHT TO LIFE UK

Help protect babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot...

Sadly, abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot. All of these conditions can be corrected.

A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament, have come together to bring forward the Abortion (cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill?

Please visit: www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds, but it could mean a lifetime to an unborn child.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR AND REAL LIVING WAGE

World Day of the Poor, Sunday 15th November.

Pope Francis writes, “Encountering the poor and those in need constantly challenges us and forces us to think. How can we help to alleviate their marginalization and suffering? How can we help them in their spiritual need?” This is a challenge for us all; today is a day to think and pray about the many works of charity in our parish and the Diocese. You may be inspired to volunteer, or know someone in need of help - have a look at www.caritasbrentwood.org.

Real Living Wage week, 9th – 15th November 2020.

After months where key workers and care workers have been at the “front line” it remains the case that many are not paid enough to support their families. The Diocese of Brentwood is actively committed to the Real Living Wage, which lifts such hard working families from poverty. This is an integral part of our faith. For lots of information please look at:

www.livingwage.org.uk. From 9th November there will also be a specific campaign to ensure workers in care homes are paid the real living wage. This campaign is supported by a number of Catholic Bishops, including Bishop Alan. Find out more at www.citizensuk.org.