

Our Lady of Lourdes Wanstead

Feast of Christ the King

Newsletter – 22nd November 2020

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"He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another"

Dear Parishioners.

Today on the great feast of Christ the King we conclude the Liturgical year of the Church. Next Sunday we inaugurate the Church's new year with the First Sunday of Advent. The Bishops have designated this day as Youth Sunday when we pray for and give thanks for the young people in our communities. The parable in today's gospel begins with the majestic scene describing the return of the Son of Man in glory at the end of time. After his passion death and Resurrection Jesus departs quietly from Galilee and ascends to the Father. This parable is known as the end of time. It is to test us to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man at the end of time. It is also a reminder to all to put our house in order and to be ready to meet the Lord when he comes. The parable describing what is expected of

those who follow Jesus could be aptly summed up in that haunting and challenging sentence from St John of the Cross....

In the Evening of Life I Shall Be Examined on Love.

God Bless you and yours and stay safe.

Fr.Pat.

CHRISTIAN HOPE

What do we hope for in this strange time of lockdown? Hope is a strange Christian attitude but incredibly important. It places us between the now and the not yet. Can you remember all the way back to Pre Virus times when we had never heard of Corona or Zoom for that matter. Do you recall how simple things were then, to the extraordinary moment when it is suddenly no longer possible to plan, and all we can do is live one day at a time.

So "HOPE" is what gets us through the darkness; and it is not the same as being optimistic. Our source of HOPE is not the gloomy insight that things cannot possibly get any worse so they must get better. Rather it is the entirely cheerful certainty that God has raised JESUS from the dead so that everything is all right no matter how dark things may appear.

(GOD IN THE TIME OF COVID...Matthew Betts.

The Furrow Magazine.

Masses Intentions this week:

Sunday 22nd November	11.30am (Private Mass) Casmiro And Rita Gomes RIP Live Streamed on YouTube http://tiny.cc/OLOLE11
Monday 23rd November	8.30am (Private Mass) – Holy Souls Church open for private Prayer 9-10am
Tuesday 24th November	8.30am (Private Mass) - Holy Souls Church open for private Prayer 9-10am
Wednesday 25th November	8.30am (Private Mass) - Holy Souls Church open for private Prayer 9-10am
Thursday 26th November	8.30am (Private Mass) – Holy Souls Church open for private Prayer 9-10am
Friday 27th November	8.30am (Private Mass) - Intentions of James Silcock Church open for private Prayer 9-10am & 7-9pm
Saturday 28th November	8.30am (Private Mass) – Mary Lovell RIP Church open for private Prayer 9-10am
Sunday 29th November	Church open for private Prayer 10-11am 11.30am (Private Mass) - Muriel D'Souza RIP Live Streamed at http://tiny.cc/OLOLE11

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 and David Cootes.

{If you wish to include the name of a sick and housebound person, please email the parish office}.

RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Bloomberg nephew of Margaret Warren from our community. His funeral mass will be Friday 27th November at 10am. Also please pray for the repose of the soul of Susan Darrell her Funeral mass will be Thursday 3rd December at 11am. May they Rest in Peace.

Thank
you

Many thanks to those who have donated to the poor and needy. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. We will be able to support needy people as a result of your kindness.

Confession

We are prohibited from celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church during the Pandemic restrictions. However arrangements can be made for confessions. Please telephone the Presbytery for further information.

Wanstead Parish Homeless Appeal



This Christmas we are raising funds to get homeless people off the streets and into secure accommodation, as church halls cannot be used to host night shelters due to Covid19. We are pleased that our appeal has again been selected to participate in Aviva Community Fund.

Here's the crowdfund link:

<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/giving-shelter-to-the-homeless>

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

The BCCS Christmas Newsletter & details of their Christmas Cards is available on the parish website at <http://www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/bccs-newsletter-christmas-2020/> and <http://www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/christmas-card-flyer2pagefillable/>



The parish is on Facebook & Twitter **@OLOLE11** and on Instagram at **@LOLE11** please follow or like these pages and ask your family and fellow parishioners to do the same.

These sites, along with the parish website

<http://www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/> will be updated

regularly during lockdown as a key method for us to communicate key information and announcements to parishioners.

Sunday Mass is live streamed on our YouTube channel every Sunday

<http://tiny.cc/OLOLE11> - please subscribe today.



Each week during the lockdown, we will publish a version of the newsletter online. It's the only way we can reach parishioners. But of course not every parishioner has access to the internet and therefore does not receive parish information. I know that some parishioners download a copy of the newsletter and pass it on to parishioners so they can keep tuned to parish life.

Could you please, download and print few copies and pass it onto parishioners who do may not have online access (e.g. elderly), that would be a fantastic help to parishioners who are not aware of what is going on in the parish.

Parish Finances

Contributions to the parish can be made via a page on the Brentwood Diocesan website at: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=wanstead> or by scanning our QR code with your smartphone and selecting "General Offertory".



You can, if you prefer, make a account using online banking.

payment directly into the parish bank 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:

Account Name:	<i>Catholic Church Wanstead Our Lady of Lourdes</i>
Sort Code:	<i>40-13-22</i>
Account number:	<i>71018973</i>

Alternatively you can deliver your offertory envelopes though the presbytery letterbox with cheques made payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Wanstead.

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time.