

WEEKDAY / SUNDAY MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) (Day of Prayer for the Church)

SUNDAY	8.00am	Intentions Sheila Betson
23 rd May	9.30am	Anthony Walsh
	11.30am	Intentions Douglas McLoughlan
	6.30pm	Carmel Benson

{11.30am Live Streamed www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11}

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

MONDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
24 th May	9.00am	MASS - Thanksgiving (Francine)

ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE

TUESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
25 th May	9.00am	MASS - Intentions Mark Lonergan
	11.00am	SCHOOL MASS OLOL - Private Intentions

ST. PHILIP NERI

WEDNESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
26 th May	9.00am	MASS - Patrick Keane RIP

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

THURSDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
27 th May	9.00am	MASS - John Dimoni RIP

FERIA

FRIDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
28 th May	9.00am	MASS - Giuseppe Forestiero RIP

FERIA

SATURDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
29 th May	9.00am	MASS - John Sammon RIP
	6.30pm	MASS - People of the Parish

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)

SUNDAY	8.00am	Intentions Carmel & Des Dinan
30 th May	9.30am	Ruzica Maria & Lionel Henry Doggett RIP
	11.30am	Intentions Michael Berry
	6.30pm	Paul Cunningham RIP

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Pentecost Sunday

23rd May – 6th June 2021



"The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth."

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Dear Parishioners,

Today Pentecost Sunday is often referred to as the Birthday of the Church. Fifty days after Easter, as Jesus had promised, the Holy Spirit, The Advocate, descended on the Apostles, with others huddled together in fear in the Upper Room in Jerusalem. The word Advocate in this context means Helper or Comforter, indicating that the disciples will not be left to carry on alone. The Spirit will guide you, He says.

One wonders what it must have been like for those disciples huddled together in fear in that room. Peter, who denied Jesus three times, was there, so was Thomas who refused to believe, John the Beloved disciple who was at the foot of the Cross with Mary, Matthias who replaced Judas was there. There were several others all kinds of people, like ourselves, like Church members today. Each had different gifts to offer. With the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on them, each in his or her own way was able to go out, bravely and face what was waiting for them. The Holy Spirit gave them the power to fearlessly preach the Good News.

Like those first disciples we sometimes lock ourselves away, afraid of opinions, of labels, of being judged. If we are aware of the power and action of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we will not be afraid or embarrassed. In the Acts of the Apostles where Paul was in Ephesus, he met some disciples and asked them if they had received the Holy Spirit and became believers. The answered No, we were never told about this. Today we sometimes act like that, as if we had never heard of the Holy Spirit either.

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DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY & ST. HELEN, BRENTWOOD

MONDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
31 st May	9.00am	MASS - Michael McCarthy RIP

ST. JUSTIN

TUESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
1 st June	9.00am	MASS - Kathleen Hurley RIP

FERIA

WEDNESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
2 nd June	9.00am	MASS - Don Hull RIP

ST. CHARLES LWANGA & COMPS

THURSDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
3 rd June	9.00am	MASS - Paul Cunningham RIP

FERIA

FRIDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
4 th June	9.00am	MASS - Michael Quigley RIP

ST. BONIFACE

SATURDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Adoration
5 th June	9.00am	MASS - Decd Members of Jennings & O'Toole families
	6.30pm	MASS - People of the Parish

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (B) HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

SUNDAY	8.00am	Rob Brazier RIP
6 th June	9.30am	Victor Gorni RIP
	11.30am	Ints Bob & Anne-Marie Fox (40 th Wedding Anniversary)
	6.30pm	Intentions Elaine Hudgell
		{11.30am Live Streamed www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11 }

MORNING PRAYER AND ADORATION

Beginning on Monday 24th May we shall resume the recitation of Morning Prayer and Adoration in the Church at 8.30am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

From next week we shall resume confessions in the confessional. Please wear a mask and leave one minute between each person coming in.

THANK YOU

I acknowledge with gratitude donations received for the new statue of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette. It is estimated that the project will cost between £5k-6k. This includes creating a Grotto to house the statue, lighting etc. It is in thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes for protection during the Pandemic. If you wish to donate, please make cheques payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and gift aid your donation please.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to Carter Miranda Foy who received First Holy Communion last weekend. His name was inadvertently omitted from the newsletter.

ALTAR SERVERS

We are now in a position to allow up to four servers to serve at Sunday Mass within current Covid guidelines. There will be a volunteer list covering five weeks in advance to allow those who wish to serve to do so. Parents please contact the Paul Millen the Parish MC on mcololwanstead@yahoo.co.uk to put your child forward and for details.

ROSARY

Pope Francis has requested that the rosary is recited during the month of May at Marian shrines and churches to ask the intercession of Our Lady for an end to the pandemic. We shall recite the rosary on Tuesdays and Fridays after Mass in our church.

IT'S TIME TO COME BACK TO MASS

The obligation for Catholics to attend Sunday Mass has been suspended by the Conference of Bishops until further notice. People are not obliged to come to Mass and it is sensible to care for your health especially if you have underlying health issues and are vulnerable. Having said that there are now positive signs that the pandemic is easing in the UK – pubs, shops, clubs are reopening and schools are fully operational. Our church is sanitised from stem to stern. All requirements for health and safety, sanitising, social distancing are in place. So please do consider coming back to Mass. You can come to weekday Mass Monday to Saturday at 9am or the Sunday Masses. It is sufficient from the point of view for obligation to attend one Mass a week. Do start coming back to church and play your part in the worshipping community.

PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Robert Britt-Hazard, Steve Britt-Hazard, Justina Paul, Anne Silcock, Olive Flynn, Bridie Connolly, Glafira D'Souza, Violet Ruttlidge, Mary P. Sullivan, Bridie Halligan, Mikey McDonagh, Sandra Samler Jane O'Halloran, Nancy Kilpatrick. *{If you wish to include the name of a sick and housebound person, please contact the parish office}.*

THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

Teacher of History (ideal for an NQT)

Start: September 2021. Closing Date: noon, Thursday 24 May 2021

Teacher of Geography (ideal for an NQT). Start: September 2021

Closing Date: noon, Thursday 27 May 2021

For further information please visit: uai.org.uk/about/vacancies


READERS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION, SINGERS, ALTAR SERVERS

If you have not exercised your ministry for some time please consider coming back to Mass to do so. To get back on the Rota, readers contact Paul Godin, Ministers of Communion contact Kai van Beers. Singers and Musicians contact Roderick Sime for 11.30 Mass and Raphaela Derrick for 9.30 Mass and Paul Millen for Altar Servers. **We need your ministry in the Church.**

RECLAIM OUR COMMON HOME

During 2021 Britain will be hosting two major international conferences – the G7 Annual Meeting in Cornwall 11-13 June, where leaders will discuss how to rebuild from the pandemic, and the UN COP26 Climate Talks in Glasgow 1-12 November where world leaders will meet to agree on next steps needed to tackle the climate crisis. You are invited to sign a petition asking the Government to put the climate crisis, and those people most affected by it, at the heart of the talks. Please go to CAFOD.org.uk/reclaim or take a petition card from the CAFOD noticeboard in the church porch.

PARISH FINANCES - PAYMENT METHOD

Contributions to the parish can be made via the 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

RETURN OF OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

These may be posted through the letterbox of the door of the presbytery. If you haven't received your offertory envelopes in the post please contact Bob Fox by email at wansteadchurch@gmail.com.

IS YOUR CHILD 3 OR 4 YEARS OLD?

Our Lady of Lourdes Nursery school is currently allocating places for September. We offer morning and afternoon sessions as well as a limited number of all-day places. Our Nursery provides a stepping stone for excellence with outstanding teaching in a natural environment that has been refurbished. Children lead their hands-on learning through Messy Play, Forest School, Art, Puppetry, Construction, Role Play and lots more to fire their imagination and lay the foundation for lifelong learning. You only have to see our children's happy smiles to know that they enjoy learning and socialising with their friends. We believe that learning outdoors, being in a natural environment and exploring our world, allows the children to develop holistically. Please contact the school office on 0208 989 9521 for details.

The Holy Spirit challenges us to get out of our Upper Rooms, to be fired up, to take ownership of our wounds and hurts caused by others to us and we have caused to others, and like the disciples not to be afraid to speak about God. By doing this others might see in us the work of the Holy Spirit and, like the first helpers of the word, be “amazed and astonished.”

You will always recognise a spirit filled person, the signs are there, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, truthfulness, gentleness, self-control.

“I have always pleaded for a deep listening to the voice of the artist in our midst, and also to the supreme artist who tries to lead us to completion. The Holy Spirit of God.”
Dom Patrick Hederman

“Let us pray this weekend Come Holy Spirit, Fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love”
“The Spirit is that energizing life giving force that animates our world inspiring and energizing us.
God Bless you and yours
Father Pat

PLEASE NOTE

Since Parish life and activities are not yet back to normal there is not much to include in the newsletter. So rather than repeat items, this newsletter is for a two week period. The next one will be published w/e June 5/6th. Mass intentions until then are included in this edition.

DRAMA FOR CHILDREN

Hello! My name is Antonia, I'm a member of this parish, an acting coach and drama teacher and from Friday 11th June I will be teaching regular termly drama classes for 6-8yr olds (4-4.50pm), and for 9-11yr olds (5-5.50pm) at St Gabriel's Church Hall in Aldersbrook. I'm offering a free trial class that can be booked via the website and there is also a waiting list for LAMDA acting exam preparation classes that I'm starting later in the year that can be accessed on the site. Please have a look at the website for testimonials and more information about me and the classes. All the info and more is on my website at: www.antoniodoggett.co.uk/classes-for-children

CORONAVIRUS LITURGICAL CHANGES SINCE 17 MAY

There has been a relaxation in some of the restrictions that have affected the liturgy over the last year. The changes that we will notice at Our Lady of Lourdes are: When you receive Communion the minister will say, 'The Body of Christ.' the communicant may reply, 'Amen.' The offertory procession will be reintroduced at Masses on Sundays. There is no restriction on the number of people attending a funeral, so this now depends on the safe capacity of the church. 30 people may be present at a baptism. 30 people may be present at a wedding.

CHORAL EVENING PRAYER - WEDNESDAY 26 MAY AT 6:30PM

Singers from our Brentwood Cathedral Choir will be here at Our Lady of Lourdes to sing Evening Prayer this Wednesday, 26 May at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend in the church for this beautiful way of marking the evening and close of the day. Evening Prayer is part of the Divine Office or Liturgy of the Hours which we believe is Christ's prayer to the Father which we add our prayers to when we pray the Divine Office. The service will be live streamed on the Brentwood Cathedral Music Facebook page, the link is below, but please consider attending this wonderful occasion with heart lifting music in person if you can.

[Brentwood Cathedral Music - Home | Facebook](#)

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY CRIB COLLECTION

Please accept this letter as an acknowledgement and thank you for your kind and generous donation of £82.96 being the proceeds of the parish crib collection. Please pass on our heartfelt gratitude to all your parishioners for their support of the Society. We are truly grateful. Your contribution and ongoing support for the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is very much appreciated and enables us to continue our important work in the Diocese.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

For many years statues of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette were positioned in the garden adjacent to the church. They were relocated to the strip of land at the side of the church – parallel to Dangan Road. Due to security, health and safety issues the gate leading to the shrine has to be kept locked. These two statues have sadly now come to the end of their life and are beyond repair. They are made of fibre glass. The following which has been agreed by the Parish Council is suggested

1. To replace the statues of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette with new statues
2. To relocate the shrine to bring it forward nearer to the gates and side door of the church
3. This project to be in thanksgiving to our Blessed Lady of Lourdes, patroness of our parish for the protection of our community during the Covid 19 Pandemic

The fundraising for this project is now open. Cheque payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish or you may pay direct into the parish bank account: HSBC, Account Name: Catholic Church Wanstead Our Lady of Lourdes. Account number: 71018973. Sort Code: 40-13-22 Do please gift aid your donation if you are a tax payer, it means we receive 25p in every pound donated back from the Revenue eg., £5 becomes £6.25; £10 becomes £12.50; £11 - £125 and so on. So it makes good sense to gift aid your donation.

POINTS TO PONDER

- ❖ *Whoever is happy will make others happy too.*
- ❖ *You will face many defeats in life, but never let yourself be defeated.*
- ❖ *The only impossible journey is the one you never begin.*
- ❖ *Many of life's failure are people who did not realise how close they were to success when they gave up*
- ❖ *In the end, it's not the years of your life that count, it's the life in your years.*

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the following young men and women who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday. *Eryn O'Driscoll, Harrison Piccolo-Green, Ned Lonergan, Uriel Ogunlaia, Isabelle Dove, Igor Zegota, Lydia Sullivan, Amelia-May Robinson, Natalia Celantano, Joey Trimble, Xavier Parker, Fred Davies, Wilf Tooth, Emily Morris, Eoin Quigley, Kian Terry, Gerard Kanoza, Hattie Watson, Isabel Reasco-Morgan, Jae-Ar Jesus*

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL - VACANCY

Teacher of Science, P/T, Maternity Cover- September 2021
MPS/UPS– Outer London Teachers' pay scales. Trinity Catholic High School is committed to safeguarding children; successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. Please visit the schools website for more details.

THE MARTYRS' WALK 2021

Sunday June 27th 2021

Commemorating the Martyrs of the 16th and 17th Centuries and praying for religious freedom in the world today

Meet 3pm Churchyard of St. Giles-in-the-Fields London

WC2H 8LG (nearest tube – Tottenham Court Road)

Walk to Tyburn, site of the fallows where the martyrs died.

Pray along the way, visiting St. Patrick's Church, Soho Square for the Rosary. We will finish at Tyburn Convent London W2

2LJ with Benediction at 5pm.

All welcome. There will be Tea at Tyburn after Benediction and a collection for the work of Aid to the Church in Need, the international charity supporting Christians suffering for their faith today. No need to book – just turn up! More information from Aid to the Church in Need

**<https://acnuk.org/Catholic> Catholic History Walks:
chwalkslondon@gmail.com**

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit,
fulfill in us the work begun by Jesus.
Let our prayer on behalf of the whole world
be fruitful and unwavering.
Hasten the time when each of us
will attain a genuine spiritual life.
Enliven our work that it may reach all human beings,
all who have been redeemed
by the Blood of Christ and all His inheritance.

Take away our natural presumption
and uplift us with a holy humility,
with reverence for God and selfless courage.
Let no vain attachment impede the work of our state in life,
nor personal interest divert us from the demands of justice.
May no scheming on our part reduce love
to our own petty dimensions.

May all be noble in us; the quest and the respect for truth,
and the willingness to sacrifice even to the cross and death.

And may all be accomplished
in accord with the final prayer
of the Son to His heavenly Father
and in accord with the grace
that Father and Son give
through You, the Spirit of love,
to the Church and to her institutions,
to every soul and to all peoples.

Amen.