

## WEEKDAY / SUNDAY MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

SUNDAY	8.00am	Monsignor Chris Creede (Rutledge)
9 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Anthony Walsh
	11.30am	Marie O'Connell
	6.30pm	People of the Parish

{11.30am Live Streamed [www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11](http://www.tiny.cc/OLOLE11)}

### FERIA

MONDAY	9.00am	MASS - Bernie Gallagher
10 <sup>th</sup> May		

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TUESDAY	9.00am	MASS - Gary Wood
11 <sup>th</sup> May	11.00am	SCHOOL MASS - Church

### ST. JOHN HOUGHTON

WEDNESDAY	9.00am	MASS - Frank Glancy
12 <sup>th</sup> May		

### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

THURSDAY	7.00am	MASS - Holy Souls
13 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	MASS - Anthony Quinn
	8.00pm	MASS - Ints Gerrish Family

### ST. MATTHIAS

FRIDAY	9.00am	MASS - Ints Anette Crowe
14 <sup>th</sup> May	11.30am	FUNERAL MASS - Susan Peacock

### FERIA

SATURDAY	9.00am	MASS - Richard Hurley
15 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30pm	MASS - People of the Parish

### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

#### World Communications Day

SUNDAY	8.00am	Michael Butterworth
16 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Isa Martinez
	11.30am	Anthony Walsh
	6.30pm	Eileen Warren

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# OUR LADY OF LOURDES

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

9<sup>th</sup> May, 2021



**"A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends."**

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Pastoral Assistants - Carmel Docherty, Frank Adesegha.

Chair of Parish Council - Fiona Christison

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Headteacher OLOL School - Ruth Boon

Steward of the Gospel - Anne-Marie Fox

**Dear Parishioners,**

*We are all searching for love and joy. Sometimes we are full of emptiness, pain, feelings of rejection, loneliness. With our hurts and grief we hanker for love and joy.*

*Often with family and friends we find times of peace and harmony, there are glimpses of love, and we are uplifted and strengthened and experience the feel-good factor. Our hearts are made for love and joy.*

*On this Sunday, as we listen to the word of God, let us give thanks for the joy of living, for love, for life – for the joy and love of children, for our husbands, for our wives, for our partners, for our parents, for our brothers and sisters, for grandparents, for neighbours and friends and for the happy times we have shared with those who have died.*

*We all have to carry our crosses, which come in many different guises – hurt, broken relationships, death, separation, unemployment, illness, poverty etc. At times like these when joy and love may be missing, let us still be hopeful that they have not gone missing forever.*

*When love is wounded, when it is hurt, when friendships break down, when bad news about health is given by the doctor, even then let us not lose hope, let us be hopeful that we will find joy again.*

*Despite all that happens in life, I think there is an ache for joy and love within us all – the joy that lasts forever, the joy and love of God. The word J.O.Y. could be thought of in the following way ...J for Jesus, O for others, Y for yourselves. Often we reverse the spelling of this word to YOJ yourself first, others second, Jesus last.*

*Today let us pray that Jesus - "this tremendous lover" - will always have first place in our lives – only He can give us the love and joy we need that makes life meaningful and worthwhile.*

*The Light of God surrounds me,  
The Love of God enfolds me,  
The Power of God protects me,  
The Presence of God watches over me,  
Wherever I am – God is.*

**Father Pat**

## **PARISH FINANCES - PAYMENT METHOD**

Contributions to the parish can be made via the Diocesan website at: [www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=wanstead](http://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](mailto:wansteadchurch@gmail.com).

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR FACE COVERINGS WHEN ATTENDING MASS AND SANITISE YOUR HANDS ON YOUR ARRIVAL AND AS YOU LEAVE THE CHURCH. IF YOU HAVE THE NHS COVID 19 APP ON YOUR SMARTPHONE, PLEASE SCAN THE CHURCH QR CODE EVERY TIME YOU VISIT THE CHURCH.**



## **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.

## **ASCENSION DAY (HOLY DAY)**

Thursday of this week is Ascension Day, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at 7am, 9am and 8pm.

## **FUNDRAISER FOR PAX CHRISTI**

In the week from 15 to 21 May, Pax Christi, the Catholic Peace organisation, will be trying to raise funds to make up for lost income due to Covid19. Fausta is having a dance-a-thon, Bruce is delivering a peace message to foreign embassies in London, Matt is cycling 50 miles visiting peace sites, Pat is going on a walk from Victoria to the Peace Pagoda in Battersea Park, Rachel will be cycling for 75 miles, to celebrate Pax Christi's 75th anniversary. More fundraisers are joining the fun. For details on how you can sponsor them, Please go to their website [www.paxchristi.org.uk/register-you-interest/](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk/register-you-interest/)

## **VACANCIES**

Trinity Catholic High School, Woodford Green are looking to recruit:-  
Teacher of Maths, F/T - September 2021. Teacher of Maths/Computing F/T possibility of P/T - September 2021  
SEN Teacher, P/T - September 2021  
SEN Teaching Assistant, 31 hours - September 2021  
Please see school website for details.

## **COVID-19 VACCINE WEBINAR**

A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar has been organised for the faithful of Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark and Westminster, with the cooperation of Hertfordshire County Council and Hammersmith & Fulham Council, and other local authorities. It will take place on Saturday 15th May 2021 from 10am to 11.30am and will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. The panel will share the latest information on the COVID-19 vaccines. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions anonymously. To join the webinar please visit: <https://zoom.us/j/99627319556> Passcode: 546617

## **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](http://CAFOD.org.uk/reclaim) or take a petition card from the CAFOD noticeboard in the church porch.*

## **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.

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

The following Children are receiving First Holy Communion this weekend:- **Ronan O'Hagan, Evan Perry, Henry Kendrick, Nicholas Cooper, Mia Crowie, Isabella Hughes, Rory Furtenbach, Max Farley, Thomas Keal, Aidan Cawley, Frances Scott, Isabelle Lyons, Felix Courtney, Oscar Reilly, Chloe Malinaitis, Alexandra Malinaitis, Imogen Cleeve, Erik Bogusz, Rose Lobo, Sean Murphy, Zara Potgieter.**

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

## **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](mailto:mcololwanstead@yahoo.co.uk) to put your child forward and for details.

## 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.

**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 Alter Servers. **We need your ministry in the Church.**

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms may be booked now. No more than six people are allowed to attend including baby.

## WEDDINGS

Numbers attending restricted to 15 people.

## FUNERALS

Numbers attending restricted to 30 people.

## CHURCH (MASSES)

Maximum 130 people in order to maintain social distancing.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

*The Social Committee is pleased to announce the following events and do hope that you will be able to join us on these occasions. Community open Air Mass and Parish Picnic 27<sup>th</sup> June 11.30am – 3pm at Eaton Manor Rugby Club, Nutter Lane, Wanstead. The Rugby Club will have an outside bar available after Mass so we kindly request that alcohol is purchased at the venue and should not be brought in by yourself. Parking is restricted and we would encourage you to walk or park on the road before entering the grounds. Cake Sale 26<sup>th</sup> September after 9.30 am Mass – donations will be gratefully received from 9am on the day. Autumn Fayre on the evening of 6<sup>th</sup> November and 7<sup>th</sup> November – further details will follow nearer the time. Carol Service 19<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm. Other events previously mentioned in July are now on hold but we are reviewing other dates for these events and will keep you updated. We do hope to run other musical events later in the year so please keep*

## 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.