

## WEEKDAY / SUNDAY MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (HOME MISSION DAY)

SUNDAY	9.30am	MASS - People of Parish
18 <sup>th</sup> September	11.30am	MASS - Alzira Rita D'Souza RIP and Hyacinth Mary Young RIP
	6.30pm	MASS - Mary Hamilton RIP

### FERIA

MONDAY		
19 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	MASS - Julie McGann RIP and Family

### ST ANDREW KIM TAE-GON & PAUL CHONG HA-SANG

TUESDAY		
20 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	MASS - Trevor Francis Int

### ST MATTHEW

WEDNESDAY		
21 <sup>st</sup> September	9.00am	MASS - Sylvia McAttee RIP

### FERIA

THURSDAY		
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	9.00am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion

### ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (PADRO PIO)

FRIDAY		
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	9.00am	MASS - Darren Bolger RIP

### OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

SATURDAY	9.00am	MASS - Letitia McIlroy RIP
24 <sup>th</sup> September	10-10.30am	CONFESSIONS
	5.30-6.00pm	CONFESSIONS
	6.30pm	MASS - Agnes Reilly RIP

### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY	9.30am	MASS - Jack Mackey RIP
25 <sup>th</sup> September	11.30am	MASS - Bartholomew (Bat) Halligan RIP
	6.30pm	MASS - People of Parish

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022



*You cannot be the slave both of God and money*

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Headteacher LOL School - Ruth Boon



Just what are relics and what meaning do they have for disciples of Jesus Christ? The word relic comes from the Latin *relinquo*, literally meaning I leave, or I abandon.

A relic is a piece of the body of a saint, an item owned or used by the saint, or an object which has been touched to the tomb of a saint. Traditionally, a piece of the body of a saint, especially that of a martyr, may be with the permission of the local ecclesiastical authority used in solemn processions recalling the specific holy person.

It may seem strange that Christianity, which so adheres to the belief in the resurrected body after the final judgment, should attach veneration to body parts of the faithful departed, but as Dom Bernardo Cignitti, O.S.B., once wrote, in a religion as spiritually centered as Christianity, the remains of certain dead are surrounded with special care and veneration. This is because the mortal remains of the deceased are associated in some manner with the holiness of their souls which await reunion with their bodies in the resurrection.

To venerate the relics of the saints is a profession of belief in several doctrines of the Catholic faith: (1) the belief in everlasting life for those who have obediently witnessed to Christ and His Holy Gospel here on earth; (2) the truth of the resurrection of the body for all persons on the last day; (3) the doctrine of the splendor of the human body and the respect which all should show toward the bodies of both the living and the deceased; (4) the belief in the special intercessory power which the saints enjoy in heaven because of their intimate relationship with Christ the King; and (5) the truth of our closeness to the saints because of our connection in the communion of saints we as members of the Church militant or pilgrim Church, they as members of the Church triumphant.

### PARISH FINANCES - PAYMENT METHOD

Contributions to the parish can be made online via the Diocesan website at:

[www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=wanstead](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=wanstead) or by scanning the QR code shown here 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. You can also use contactless giving using your phone's QR reader and the QR codes shown on posters in the Parish Centre and also on the OLOL website which provides further detail. (<http://www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/offertory-donations>)



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK / DATES FOR THE DIARY	
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	-----
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	11.00am - 12noon Meditation Group (Hall) 5.30pm - 7.15pm - Tutor Group 7:30pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Teas after 9.00am Mass 2.00pm - 3.30pm Sheila Lovell Club (Hall)
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	3.00pm - 7.00pm Perform (Hall)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	3.00pm - 6.00pm Perform (Hall) 7.30pm - Training of Ministers (Hall) 8.00pm - Life in Spirit Prayer Group
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	8.00am - 4.00pm - Stamp Fair
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Children's Liturgy during 9.30am Mass Teas after 9.30 Mass

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next Baptism Preparation Course for parents will be on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November with refreshments provided. Registration is from 7:45pm in the Pastoral Centre. Both sessions need to be attended before a meeting can be organised with a priest to set a date for the baptism.

### TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL - VACANCIES

Home Economics Technician, 25 hrs per week. Midday Supervisor, 10 hrs per week. For further information, please visit the school website.

### ST ALBANS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, HORNCHURCH (ELM PARK)

Headteacher required Salary L11-L17 Closing Date Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Please visit the link below for further information.

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>.

**CENTRAL COUNCIL OF THE GUILD OF ST STEPHEN** - Every other year, there is a National Mass for **ALL** altar servers of England and Wales, their families and all those who support them, to be held at **Westminster Cathedral** in London, the traditional home of the Guild, and that's where we will be on **1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 at 2:30pm**. Rt Rev John Sherrington, Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster will be the principal celebrant this year. We'd love to see as many as possible attend.



**THEATRE COMPANY** - Parishioner, Fiona Christison's theatre company is back with their second production as part of Wanstead Fringe 2022, performed in The Bull on Wanstead High St. Tickets are £19 & £16 conc. and are available at [wansteadfringe.org](http://wansteadfringe.org) but parishioners can exclusively call Fiona directly on 07812766082 to book any matinee performance for only £12. Dates are Tues 20 - Sun 25<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm with 2pm matinees on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>.

### SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT 'MY LORD AND MY GOD'. FRI 4TH - SUN 6TH NOVEMBER 2022

Led by Fr Martin Boland, Dean of Brentwood Cathedral. Venue: Sion Community, Brentwood. Our theme focuses on how closeness to Christ enables us to develop a deeper level of intimacy with Him. It enables us to recognise Jesus more readily in our lives and acknowledge Him both in private and in public.

This silent weekend retreat offers us the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. 40-HOURS of CONTINUOUS Adoration, guidance & ministry included. For more information or to book, visit

<https://sioncommunity.org.uk/adults/> or email [allegra.mutanda@gmail.com](mailto:allegra.mutanda@gmail.com)

### FATHER PAT

It was announced at Mass that Father Pat, our Parish Priest, had a heart attack last month. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to undergo treatment. Father Pat has asked that he is not visited and that updates will be given at Sunday Masses.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Fridays from 9:30am to 1pm and from 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome to come and pray and spend some time in the presence of the Lord.

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

New and existing altar servers, please watch this space for news about training coming soon.

**"COME AND SEE"** – an informal and friendly discussion about joining the Catholic faith and starting the process with regular sessions from October. Please come along to the Parish Centre on **Monday 26 September at 7.30pm** to meet Father Adrian, Judith Smith and other team members to talk with us generally or privately about becoming a Catholic. Attending this session does not commit you in any way – it is simply an opportunity for you to "come and see...."

### THE SHEILA LOVELL CLUB

Come and join us for a welcome cup of tea and a chat every Wednesday from 7<sup>th</sup> September from 2.00-3.30pm. We look forward to seeing old and new members.



**SUNDAY TEAS.** Now that Sunday teas will be recommencing, we look forward to seeing you every second Sunday, starting from 25<sup>th</sup> September after the 9.30am Mass. Please contact Stephanie Crowley on 07906 201880 if you could offer to help. Thank you.

**WEDNESDAY TEAS** - Come and join us for tea and biscuits every Wednesday from 7<sup>th</sup> September after the 9am Mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

### HOME MISSION DAY – 17<sup>TH</sup>/18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

Retiring Collection - this is the day in the Church's calendar when the Catholic community in England and Wales is invited to pray for, celebrate and support the work of evangelisation in England and Wales. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**URGENT** appeal please for helpers to travel with the Across jumbulance 13th to 22nd October . No experience needed. Phone Siobhan 07932 634589

**GIFT AID** When you donate to the Church through Gift Aid, we can reclaim 25p in every £1 donated so for all collections, donations, masses etc. please Gift Aid your donation. If you have any queries please contact Bob on wansteadchurch@gmail.com



**CONGRATULATIONS** to *James Harold and Philipa Day and Jacqueline Bacon and Errol Dotting* who were married in the Church last week.

### UNDER-5s GROUP

The group will start again on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September from 1-3pm in the Pastoral Centre. All welcome.

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 6.30pm – Seema Barah, Gillian Marshall.  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.30am – Richard Sharman, Augusta-Mary Joseph.  
11.30am – Maureen Greensmith, Monica Coles.  
6.30pm – Clare Losty, Andrea Terry.

### READERS

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.00am – Crispin Acton  
6.30pm – Theresa Harrison, Jean Bermudez.  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.30am – Ann Cummins, Jane Herald.  
11.30am – Kim Morris, Paul Godin.  
6.30pm – Philippe Freund, Maggie Warren.

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

We will be holding a Bereavement Group on the last Thursday of every month from 29<sup>th</sup> September from 2.00pm – 4.00pm. Please do come along if you feel the need to speak to someone about your experiences or would like some support.

### PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

**Robert Britt-Hazard, Steve Britt-Hazard, Justina Paul, Ann Silcock, Bridie Connolly, Glafira D'Souza, Bridie Halligan, Mikey McDonagh, Sandra Samler, Jane O'Halloran, Caroline Sarpong, Thelma, Mr. Lanre Falano, Vivian Bazuaye, Gemma Fishman, Julia Shearman, Grace Harding, Charlie O'Donnell, Edward Burns, Gerald Clarke, Nenad Ivanovic (known as Len), Sister Marian, Patricia (Pat) Hallahan, Pat Flannery, Tony Loffhagen, Danny John-Baptiste, Leanne de Silva** *{If you wish to include the name of someone for prayers, please contact the parish office*

### REST IN PEACE

**FRED HEATH** - Funeral will take place at 12.30 pm on Thursday 22nd September at St Thomas of Canterbury Church High Road Woodford Green IG8 ORB. Committal will be at Forest Park Crematorium, IG6 3HP at 2.15pm.

**LEN SPILLER** – Funeral Mass here at 10.30am on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October  
*Our sympathies and prayers to the families.*

## DIOCESAN NEWS/VACANCIES



### STEP INTO THE GAP

CAFOD are offering the unique opportunity for 18-30 year-olds to develop leadership skills within a full-time gap year volunteering UK placement. Placements are based in the UK, either in a youth retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school and include accommodation, food, and living within a caring and supportive community. Work-based travel costs and stipend included.

*Please share this information with any young people you know and encourage them to apply.* For more info visit: [www.cafod.org.uk/gapyear](http://www.cafod.org.uk/gapyear) or contact Arianne at: [youngleadership@cafod.org.uk](mailto:youngleadership@cafod.org.uk)