WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

14th January - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (PEACE SUNDAY)

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass - Members of the Nolan Family RIP 9.30 a.m. MASS - Charles & Mary O'Rawe RIP 11.30 a.m. MASS - People of Parish 6.30 p.m. MASS - Seamus, Mary & Family INT

Monday 15th January

9.00 a.m. MASS - Martha Taiwo Oronsaye RIP

Tuesday 16th January NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday 17th January—St Antony Abbot NO MORNING MASS 11.00 a.m. Wedding:

Sugeevan Savarimuthu and Mannohja Masilamany

Thursday 18th January

9.00 a.m. Daisy & Eddie Ingram & family INT Herman Reinhardt & Claire Bell RIP

Friday 19th January NO MORNING MASS

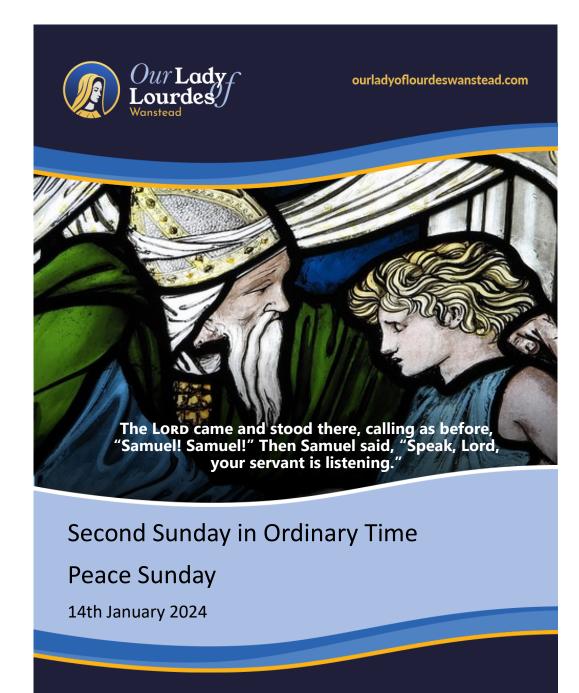
11.00 a.m. Funeral Mass - Rosina Forestiero RIP

Saturday 20th January NO MORNING MASS

10.00 a.m. -11.00a.m. Confessions 6.30 p.m. VIGIL MASS - Anne-Marie Clerkin INT

Sunday 21st January - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 a.m. MASS - Anthony Fernando RIP 11.30 a.m. MASS - Phyllis Smith RIP 6.30 p.m. MASS - People of Parish



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GENERAL PARISH NEWS

PEACE SUNDAY 14th January 2024 - There will be a second collection after Masses this weekend to support the work of Pax Christi. A message from Bishop Malcolm McMahon:

"The theme for Peace Sunday is Pope Francis' theme for the World Day of Peace - 'Artificial Intelligence and Peace'. I am sure you will agree that it is a highly relevant theme... Pope Francis' overriding concern is that artificial intelligence should be used in the service of humanity and the protection of our common home and not to further injustice and inequality or to fuel division and violent conflict."

For more information and to read Bishop McMahon's full message go to www.paxchristi.org.uk

NEW YEAR. NEW LOOK NEWSLETTER. To have a distinctive and contemporary "look" helps people to distinguish Our Lady of Lourdes from other churches and hopefully sparks an interest in those outside the community to find out more about our life of faith, mission and fellowship. Do also have a look at our social media profile on Facebook and X.

We are now busy working on a website that, again, will provide people - especially those outside the parish - with information, guidance and a glimpse of the life of our parish family while extending a warm welcome to everyone.

LENT MISSION WEEKEND 8th March - 10th March will be led by members of the Sion community. This will be an opportunity for our parish community to come together in Christ's presence. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Mission weekend will also allow us to reflect on the ways that we might make the good news of God's grace known to people beyond the walls of the church. As well as leading our liturgies that weekend, there will be opportunities for prayer and fellowship. There will also be activities for children and their families. More details to follow, but do make a note of the dates of the parish mission.

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DIOCESAN NEWS

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 30th April - 7th May 2024 and 2nd-9th September 2024

The total cost for either pilgrimage is £700 and a £30 discount will be given to those who book and pay a £100 deposit before the end of January 2024.

The package includes flights, luggage, transfers, half board at the hotel, plus our own guide for the week. To book and for further information, please phone Gail on 07989 879148 or email gail.hewett@hotmail.com. Thank you.

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL LENTEN TALKS A series of 4 talks on the recent Synod on Synodality, which took place in Rome last October has been organised for the Holy Lenten season this year.

They will be given by those who were participants at the Synod: Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP, (Wednesday 21st February 2024) who was appointed by the Pope as Spiritual Director for the whole Synod; The Revd Dr Jan Nowotnik (Wednesday 28th February 2024) Director of Mission for the Bishops' Conference; Mr Austen Ivereigh (Wednesday 6th March 2024) Roman Catholic Journalist; Bishop Nicholas Hudson (Wednesday 13th March 2024) Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, appointed delegate at the Synod last October.

All the talks will take place at Brentwood Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

VOLUNTEER AT SNARESBROOK CROWN COURT CHAPLAINCY which is open on weekdays 12.30 - 2.00 p.m. If you have a capacity for non-judgemental listening" and would like to be available to those who may appreciate somebody just to be with them and provide a "listening ear" then the chaplaincy is looking for volunteers with the recommendation of their priest or minister. For more information, please email or write to the parish office.

MORNING FOR MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION The most holy Eucharist is the "source and the summit" of all that the Church is and does. At its heart is the real presence of the crucified and Risen Lord, who continues his saving work among us. Thus, Ministers of Holy Communion play a hugely important role in the life of any parish community and their formation is important.

A sincere thank you to all the men and women Ministers of Holy Communion who serve our community in this way.

Ministers of Holy Communion are commissioned for the primary role of assisting the priest with the distribution of Holy Communion. Some Ministers will also take Holy Communion to any sick or housebound members of our parish family. But being a Minister of Holy Communion should not be considered as a practical function.

The reception of Holy Communion is a sacred action, an opportunity for encounter with Christ himself who offers himself to us under the forms of Bread and Wine. His offering of himself has to be met by faith if a life giving encounter and deep personal communion is to take place. Ministers of Holy Communion have a great contribution to make in assisting the assembly to receive the sacrament reverently and fruitfully. They do this through the witness of their own lives and by the reverence they show for this Sacrament of Christ's love for us.

On Saturday 24th February 9.00 a.m. - 12 noon, there will be a morning of formation and reflection for our present Ministers of Holy Communion in order to help them reflect a little more deeply on their role and to consider some practical questions. The morning will be led by Fr Gary Dench, the Diocesan Director of Liturgy, and Fr Martin. If you are a Minister of Holy Communion, please make a special effort to attend this morning and make a note of this date.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **no morning Mass** or teas on Wednesday 17th January due to a wedding taking place in the Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Sr Katie of the St Catherine's community of Religious of the Assumption who died recently. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 16th January at 11.00 a.m. in the Assumption Chapel 22, Kensington Square (nearest underground: Kensington High Street), less than five minutes away. The reception will be in St Catherine's House, 7 Pembridge Square, Notting Hill. Sr Katie was active in our parish from 2019 until April 2023 with the Under 5's, Wednesday Teas and the Sheila Lovell Club. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

THE FUNERAL MASS of Rosina Forestiero will take place on Friday 19th January 2024 at 11.00 a.m. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. There will be no 9.00 a.m. Mass on this day.

ADORATION takes place on Fridays from 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and from 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. All are welcome to come and pray and spend some quiet time in the presence of the Lord. Please note that there will be **no Adoration** on the morning of Friday 19th January 2024.

SICK LIST A list of the sick and housebound can be found at the entrance to the Church.

CRIB OFFERINGS support the work of the *Brentwood Catholic Children's Society* that cares and supports the most vulnerable children and their families in Essex and the East End of London www.bccs.org.uk

WINE TASTING EVENING 3RD February 2024 8 p.m. to approx. 10 p.m. Ticket price £25.00 Whether you want to learn more about wines or just enjoy the taste, please join us in the hall for an evening of wine tasting.

You will sample 6 wines and 1 fizz and the Theatre of Wine will talk you through the wines and producers which will be accompanied by cheese, meat platters and other nibbles. This would make a great Christmas present and something to look forward to in the New Year. This is a limited ticket only event and must be bought in advance. You can book your place by emailing events@ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com or call Natasha on 07977 863362. Due to numbers, unfortunately, tickets will not be sold on the night. I do hope you can join us.

A LEGACY was recently received to the parish from the late Mrs Mary Sullivan. We are indebted to her for remembering and supporting the work, running and mission of the parish community in this most generous way. May she rest in peace and receive the reward of her goodness. We also keep in mind any members of Mary's family.

BAKE SALE 21st January after the 9.30 a.m. Mass - Please come and join us for tea/coffee and cake after Mass. This will be a great way to catch up in the New Year and to meet friends. There will also be a stall selling cards etc., and the proceeds will go to the SVP. Your support would be very much appreciated. If you would like to make some cakes, bread etc., then donations will be gratefully received. Please drop into the Pastoral Centre before the 9.30 a.m. Mass.

CONFESSIONS There will be no Confessions on a Saturday evening for the time being. Confessions will be on Saturday morning from 10.00 a.m.—11.00 a.m.

CLUBS/GROUPS

THE MEDITATION GROUP Tuesdays at 10.50 a.m. in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome.

UNDER 5's Tuesdays in term time from 1.00 p.m. -3.00 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome.

THE DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre. Any new members will be most welcome.

WEDNESDAY TEAS after the 9.00 a.m. Mass. We look forward to seeing you. (Please note: **No teas** on Wednesday 17th January)

THE SHEILA LOVELL CLUB Wednesdays 1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP meet on the last Thursday of the month from 2.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m. Please do come along if you are in need of support.

SUNDAY TEAS After the 9.30 a.m. Sunday Mass in the Pastoral Centre. Please pop in and have a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits.