



Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 27th January

5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Mike Toolan RIP (Greene Family)

Sunday 28th January

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
(Racial Justice Day)

9.30 am – Colin Murgatroyd RIP (A. Murgatroyd)

11.30 am – People of the Parish

Monday 29th January – **NO MASS**
Father's & Clare's Day Off

Tuesday 30th January – Mass, Adoration & Benediction
6.30 pm – Martine Lloyd's Intentions (M. Lloyd & Family)

Wednesday 31st January – St. John Bosco, Pr
9. 15 am – Nora & Eddie Heaslip RIP (Foundation)

Thursday 1st February – Mass, Adoration & Benediction
(HOLY HOUR)
9.15 am – Dr. Edmund Patrick Solomon RIP (E. Solomon)

Friday 2nd February – THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
(Feast)
9. 15 am – Fr. Enda Keenan RIP (Greene Family)

Saturday 3rd February

5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday
6 pm – John Petherick RIP (B. McDonnell)

Sunday 4th February

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
9.30 am – People of the Parish
11.30 am – Bryan Martin RIP (C. & J. Martin)

SAFEGUARDING

Please accompany your child(ren) to the toilet if they need it whilst in the Church.

SILENCE!

PLEASE keep **SILENCE** before Mass especially during the Rosary on Saturday evenings. People may be trying to pray and listen to God.
Thank you.

CONFESSIONS

Father Paul is available for confession:
Saturdays 5-5.30pm.
Tuesdays during adoration after 6.30pm Mass.
Thursdays during adoration after 9.15am Mass.

OFFICE EMAILS

Please be aware that emails sent over the weekend or on a Monday will not be seen until the Tuesday. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you require a notice to appear in the newsletter – the deadline is on
Wednesdays.

COLLECTION PLATE

Week ending 21st & 22nd January 2024

Envelopes & Loose Plate - £578.68
Second Collection – Lepra - £338.88
Thank you for your generosity.

GIFT AID ORGANISER

Our Gift Aid organiser is Greg Carvalho. His contact is: greg@god.co.uk or on 261302.

MEDITATION GROUP

WCCM Meditation Group meets online at 8pm on Mondays. Please contact Val directly on 07887785502 or email her on valhilsley@btinternet.com

FHC SESSION

The next session for FHC will take place on Saturday 3rd February. We will be meeting in the hall at 9 am. Don't forget your 'I belong' books & sticker booklets.

ROSE SHANAHAN RIP

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Rose Shanahan. Please pray for the repose of her soul. Rose's funeral is taking place at Our Lady Immaculate Church on Wednesday 7th February at 11am.



SHEILA MURPHY RIP

It is with sadness we announce the passing of Sheila Murphy (Tricia McCaul's sister-in-law). Please pray for the repose of her soul. Please also pray for Tricia & Sheila's family.



CHURCH CLEANING

Thank you to everyone who attended the big Church clean-up last Wednesday. It was greatly appreciated.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVP are holding a 'Tea Party' on Saturday 10th February at 2.30pm at St. Augustine's Hall, Springfield CM1 6GQ. This tea party is open to all retired parishioners, and you are all encouraged to attend. To book your place, you are invited to call 07740 399404.

MISSIO RED BOXES

The Missio red boxes are at the back of the church at the welcomer's desk ready for collection. Thank you to everyone who donated to Missio in 2023. If you are interested in putting any spare change into a Missio box there will be one permanently on the welcomer's desk. **Could Saren and Lewis Victoria Torin please pick up their old Missio boxes and envelope receipt.**



THE CANONESSES INVITE YOU TO THEIR 225TH ANNIVERSARY

The Community arrived at New Hall in 1799 and the first mass there was on Feb 3rd of that year. New Hall are making a big thing of it being the 225th anniversary of that mass and all the community are being bused in for the event which begins at 3pm.

<https://alumni.newhallschool.co.uk/event/225th-anniversary-mass> If anyone is free and able to join us (with a plus one or plus 2) and would like to come please let me know – a chance to see NH if you haven't already!! And a jolly good tea as well as a significant Mass!

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 6 February at Brentwood Cathedral. The speaker will be Deacon Matúš Meleg who is training for the priesthood for our Diocese. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

Are you interested in buying a weekly paper copy of the Universe Catholic Weekly? If you are they cost £2.50 per issue and we **need 4 more people** to be interested for it to be cost effective to purchase. Please either phone/email the office if you are interested.

FLAME 2025 – 'UNSTOPPABLE' – FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE

The Diocese are already preparing for Flame 2025. Last year over 1,000 young people from the Diocese attended the event. The BCYS wish to purchase a block of early bird tickets, which will enable them to have seating together and as close to the front as possible. The early bird tickets will cost £29. If you are interested, please contact the office ASAP as we will need to let the Diocese know by end of January.

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA THE IRISH SHOW LONDON 15th MARCH

Please see poster on the notice board & website.

Tickets are available for an escorted coach journey picking up from the Blessed Sacrament car park at 10:10am and leaving London to return at 5:15pm. The price is £85 per adult including return coach travel, a three-course lunch and tickets for the show. See the notice board for further details. For any further information re: payment or special food needs etc please contact John Holland on 07754972942. Information about the St Patrick's Irish Music Hall show is available on <https://www.bricklanemusichall>

YR 12 RETREAT 'LIFE TO THE FULL'

Walsingham House are running a retreat for students in Yr12 on the weekend of the 16th-18th February. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet other young people from across the diocese, to make new friends and to take time out from their busy lives to reflect and pray. The cost of the retreat is £35. For more information and to apply please see the website <https://bcys.net/events/yr12retreat/>