



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.

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

1st & 2nd March 2025

Envelopes & Loose Plate - £553.62
January Standing Orders - £2,460.67

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Praise and Worship will take place at **7pm on Wednesday 12th March 2025**.

DIVINE MERCY

Divine Mercy will take place at **8pm on Wednesday 19th March 2025**. Please use the side door.

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our next Stations of the Cross will be at 7pm in the Church on Friday 14th March. There will be Stations every Friday and they will continue until Friday 11th April.



JIM FEENEY RIP

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Jim Feeny. He passed away in hospital on Sunday 2nd March. He is now reunited with his wife Margaret. May he rest in eternal peace.



LONDON MARATHON ON BEHALF OF THE BCCS

Gemma Stubbings (nee Seyfang's) husband Kieron was contacted by BCCS - Brentwood Catholic Children's Society to run London Marathon at short notice. Please help raise money by purchasing a ticket to GUESS THE BCCS BEAR NAME Winner receives the BEAR, £50 and the HAMPER worth over £270!!

Cash accepted or use the QR code (please go to our website for the QR code) to donate on the JustGiving page.

[//justgiving.com/page/kieron-stubbings-1](https://justgiving.com/page/kieron-stubbings-1)

ST. JOHN PAYNE - AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE

The Audience with the Pope that Year 10-13 students from St. John Payne will be attending will be held on Wednesday 9th April at 9am. You can watch it live on Vatican Media on YouTube. Please pray for the students and staff who will be attending this very special occasion especially as its Jubilee Year.

KNITTING PROJECT

One of our parishioners has a manually powered knitting machine and is looking to start up a 'knitting group' to help make sweaters, hats and other items to donate for those in need.

She is willing to teach anyone interested and all that is required is that you supply wool for the project. There will be time for a chat and coffee too during the session. We are looking to run the group early on a Monday afternoon once a month, if you are interested, please contact Clare at the office.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

Parish Priest: Fr. Paul Cracknell (Ord.)

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THANK YOU to Angie, Brigitte, Elaine, Judy and Tricia who cleaned the Church. We are grateful for your hard work and continued support.

THANK YOU FROM JOHN DONACHIE

I was so blessed and honoured to receive my Benemerenti medal recently at the 9.30am mass. A huge thank you to Father Paul, the Altar Servers, the Readers, Jane and the choir for making the occasion so memorable. Calista and her team did an amazing job in the hall with help from Marian and many others who kindly provided cakes. Many thanks also for all cards and gifts received. Your kindness and generosity was overwhelming and unexpected. God Bless and thank you all so much. John

LENTEN LUNCHES

The Lenten Lunches have been arranged for the following dates:

Friday 14th March

Friday 21st March

Friday 28th March

Wednesday 2nd April

Wednesday 9th April

They will all be held in the Parish Hall, beginning at 12 noon and finishing at 2pm.

The food offered does depend on the hosts, but all provide a simple lunch. This usually comprises homemade soup, bread, cheese, cake & biscuits.

Entrance is free but we welcome offerings of what guests can afford. The money raised this year will be split between CAFOD and The Sisters in the DRC where the situation is dire with many homeless, wounded, orphaned and having had to flee Goma itself. Funds will be crucial to helping the people the sisters care for.

Everyone is welcome, not only parishioners, but friends, work colleagues and neighbours. Please put the dates in your diary and come to join us.

The J&P group will be running a raffle for some hampers. Tickets will be £2.50 each which will be available after each Mass and at each Lenten Lunch, from this weekend. Please take an envelope, complete your details and the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Please put the CORRECT money in the envelope and leave at the welcomers' desk.

FINANCE TALK

Mark, our Chairman of the Finance Committee, will be speaking after the notices this weekend regarding the Parishes Finances. Please stay and listen to this very important talk

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

They are at the back of Church, please speak to Greg or Clare if you haven't received yours.

LADIES GROUP

The next meeting of the Ladies Group is on Wednesday 12th March at 10am in the Hall. This group is open to all ladies in the parish and we hope to continue to welcome new ladies to join the group. We meet on the second Wednesday of every month for a coffee and a chat. Contact Margaret on 01245 442067 for information or just turn up to a meeting.

KNIGHTS QUIZ

KSC are holding a Quiz at St. John Payne to raise money for kit for the girls' football team (in conjunction with the Catenians). Teams of up to six are invited at £7.50 per person (£40 for a team). Arrive from 19.15 to start at 19.30 and bring any drinks and refreshments that you require. Please e-mail thompsoncjt01@blueyonder.co.uk or Abi Watson at school so that we know how many teams to prepare for.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8th March
5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – Nellie & John McElhinney RIP (F. & T. Rowberry)

Sunday 9th March

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Geraldine & Charlie Smyth RIP (M. Smyth & Family)

Monday 10th March – **NO MASS**
Father's & Clare's Day Off

Tuesday 11th March – Mass, Adoration & Benediction

6.30pm – Wellesley Bourke RIP (Johnston Family)

Wednesday 12th March

9.15 am – Beauty Pangidzwa RIP (E. Solomon)

7 pm – Praise and Worship

Thursday 13th March – NO MASS, ADORATION OR BENEDICTION

Friday 14th March

NO MASS

7 pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday 15th March

5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – John Logue RIP (Greene Family)

Sunday 16th March

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Bridget Owusu's Intentions
(Fr. Paul, Clare, Alice & Fleur)

