OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE Parish News

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Saturday 17th February / Sunday 18th February 2024 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



SECOND COLLECTION: There is a second collection next weekend for **CAFOD (LENT FAST DAY - Friday 23rd February 2024)**

Gift aiders, please use your second collection envelope.

100 CLUB - WINNERS: Congratulations to this month's winners!

First Prize (£200): **Carmel Thomas** Second Prize (£50): **Carole Hodgson**

For £5 per month you have the chance to win £200. Money that isn't paid out as prizes, goes towards the church funds. If anyone is interested in finding out more about the 100 Club; please contact Clare on: 01376 326779.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER ON FRIDAY 1ST MARCH 2024:

A service for everyone!

10.30am Braintree Baptist Church, Blyth's Meadow, Braintree, CM7 3DA Refreshments are available after the service.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: From Friday 23rd February there will be Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome.

NEW ROTA FOR CHURCH CLEANERS: There are new rotas for the cleaning of the Church in the Sacristy.

"Thank you to all those who keep our Church so clean and tidy".

FUNERAL: The Funeral for the late Michael Gilmartin will take place on Friday 23rd February at 1.00pm. May he rest in peace.

BAPTISMS: This weekend we welcome Camila Diaz into the family of the Church. May God bless her and her family at this special time.

CONFESSIONS AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Saturday between 10.30am and 11.30am. There will be no confessions or Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 24th February.

SIOG HOMES FOR UKRAINE

<u>As an official provider of the government scheme</u>, SJOG Homes for Ukraine acts as a matching, training, and support pathway for guests from Ukraine and hosts in the UK who are willing to provide much-needed support.

Our programme operates collaboratively with the esteemed Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN).

At SJOG Homes for Ukraine, we offer a range of services to ensure fulfilling experience for both guests and hosts. These services include matching, training for hosts and guests, transportation assistance, a Welcome Box for Ukrainian guests upon arrival, and support during the placement.

<u>SICK PARISHIONERS</u>: We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers:

Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Mary Davis, Catherine Hughes, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Bernard Boylan, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, Bob Bothello, Eileen Brooks, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, Olive Norman, Hazel Smith, John Kisielowski, Peggy White, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Sharon Jenner, Maria Caparco, Danny Clifford and Joakim Mwenibandu.

ANNIVERSARIES: Daniel De-Giovanni, Joanna McLaughlin, Owen Shead, Mary Hayden, Peter Krzykowski, Margaret Mucha, Stanley Kulik, Annette Croft, Patricia Kohle, Margaret Ryan, Stella McKenna, Louis Remy, Margaret McGuire, Holly Radford, Mary Nash, Ron Matthews, Ensa Mann, Marguerite Keith-Shaw, Doreen Moran, Richard French, Ian Ward and Geraldine Benjamin.

May they rest in peace.

VOLUNTEER AT THE ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP:

From 27th July – 3rd August help give 100 children a holiday. Helpers must be 18+, and the Camp will arrange for a DBS check, and appropriate training. To help at the Bosco Camp is a wonderful experience, and now is the time to apply. Details: www.boscocamp.co.uk

Concert for St John Bosco Children's Camp: Come and enjoy an exciting variety show of music and entertainment, to raise money for the camp, which provides holidays for over 100 children. The camp is restarting in 2024, under the umbrella of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood. The fundraising concert is on **Saturday 13th April 2024 - New Windmill Hall, Upminster.**

7:00 to 9:00 pm. Wine and refreshments included. Adult tickets £10; children £5. Bookings by phone: 07957382592. Online bookings and more details: www.boscocamp.co.uk/events

THE NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH will take place from 10th—18th March 2024 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able, and if it is possible to attend, Masses are at 10.00am every day of the Novena except Sunday, when it is at 11.00am. These Masses will be available to follow on Zoom, via the Mill Hill website: www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena

Also available on Zoom will be Evening Prayer together with the Novena Prayer at 6.00pm every day during the Novena.

This year, a special Novena Prayer Book has been prepared, and is available on request for a suggested donation.

You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena prayer booklet. Please write to the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ, or email: novenamhm@gmail.com

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 17th February Sunday 18th February	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	Joanna McLaughlin RIP (McLaughlin) & Francis Dornan RIP (Bill) Stephen Tate RIP (Mary Wilks) Special Intentions (Jacinta Freeman)
Monday 19th February	No Mass	
Tuesday 20th February	No Mass	
Wednesday 21st February	No Mass	
Thursday 22nd February THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE Feast	No Mass	
Friday 23rd February (Lent Fast Day)	No Mass	
Funeral Mass	1.00pm	Michael Gilmartin RIP
Stations of the Cross	7.30pm	
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 24th February	6.00pm	John Neal RIP (Fisher) & Ian Ward RIP (A) (Ward)
Sunday 25th February	9.00am	Ints Nicola Kisala (Gwen Rushton)
	11.00am	Ints Geraldine Tate (Mary Wilks)