

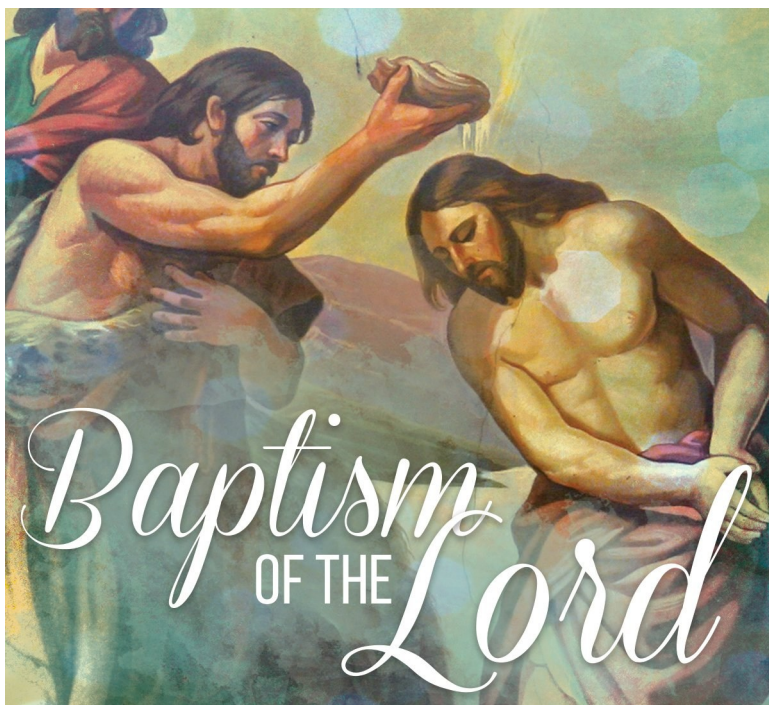
# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

## Parish News

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**Saturday 10th January/ Sunday 11th January 2026**



**SICK PARISHIONERS:** We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers: Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, John Kisielowski, Peggy White, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Maria Caparco, Anne Bardell, Agnes Hughes, Mary Breadman, Martha Botelho, Peter McDonagh, Janet Boxall, Hazel Smith, Michael Blancs, Keith Flynn, Joseph Brady, Sara Reynolds, Sue Kelly, Toni & Steve Brady and family, Maureen Pannell, Rita Cuthbert and Kitty North.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Patricia Huggins, Peter Mansell, Florence Maisie Lee, Wilfred di Palma, Wally Bojko, Martin Patten, Christina Lang, Iris Hale, Jayne King, Henryka Duzniak, Clare Rigdon, Jan Drys, George Marshall, Doris Jakens, Nora Brown Roma Royal, Ann Crow, Deborah Webber, Florence Smith, Patrick Groarke, Anthony Rand, John Symonds, Hieronym Lenort, Valerie Harding, Thomas Purcell, Rina Nicholls and Marina Woulfe.

**May they rest in peace.**

**CONFESSIONS AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament normally take place on Saturday between 10.30am and 11.30am. There will be Confessions and Exposition this weekend (10th and 11th of January).

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:** The Funeral arrangements for Fr David will be announced in due course. **May he rest in peace.**

**BOOK OF CONDOLENCE:** There is a Book of Condolence at the back of Church, please feel free to write your thoughts and memories of Fr David in there.

**ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP** – an amazing volunteer opportunity for this summer. If you are in school year 12 or student age (or any age over 17!) you are very welcome to apply at [www.boscocamp.co.uk](http://www.boscocamp.co.uk). The application process includes references and a DBS check, which we can help with, as well as a training and support before and during Camp. The Camp provides over 100 children a week with a summer holiday – for many their only holiday. As a volunteer you use your skills in assisting with different sporting and fun activities, as well as the practical aspects of camp life. **Volunteer for 25<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August or 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> August.** The Camp is a special work of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood, and also seeks financial donations – all information on the website.

**FOODBANK:** Can we please have any food donations by Wednesday 14th January as the next collection is on Thursday 15th January.  
Thank you for your continued support.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a Second Collection next Sunday for World Peace Day. Gift Aiders, please use your second collection envelopes. The Catholic collection for World Peace Day centers on the Pope's annual message (January 1st), promoted by groups like [Pax Christi](#) and [CAFOD](#), providing resources, prayers, and calls for justice, mercy, forgiveness, and nonviolence, often celebrated liturgically as **Peace Sunday** (second Sunday in Ordinary Time), focusing on themes like "Forgive us our trespasses: Grant us your peace" (2025) and "Peace be with you all" (2026).



### **Monthly Youth Mass**

**5th February 2026** - Less than 2 weeks before we begin the season of Lent, the SVP will join us to help us begin to think, reflect and prepare with their new resources.

**5th March 2026** - Join us for Stations of the Cross during Lent – a simple, meaningful way to slow down, reflect, and journey with Jesus through real-life struggles and hope.

*Please note there is NO Youth Mass in April as this falls on Maundy Thursday.*

### **Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage (18-25 Jul 2026)**

Applications are open online for this year's Lourdes pilgrimage for those in year 10 and above. You can find all information and the link to apply at [www.bcys.net/events/sl26](http://www.bcys.net/events/sl26)

As always, there is funding available for which we can provide advice and support. We hope to have as many different schools and parishes represented as possible so if there is any support we can give, please do get in touch.

### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham (23 May 2026)**

A day pilgrimage of prayer with Mass, picnic, the Holy Mile walk and Vespers/Benediction at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham with opportunities for young people to serve and an optional overnight at Walsingham House beforehand.

## LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A)</b> Saturday 10th January     Sunday 11th January	6.00pm	Gavin Leech RIP (A) (Jacqui) & Ints Vera McGuire
	9.00am	Judith Tabor RIP (Milden) & Ints Pat Lannon (Mohan)
	11.00am	Rosa and Pasquale Gallo RIP (Pina) & Ints Cormick Rice
Monday 12th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday 13th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
Wednesday 14th January	<b>Morning Prayers, followed by Eucharistic Service at 9.30am</b>	<b><u>Prayer Intentions</u></b>  <b>Ints Iris Gower (Birthday)</b> <b>Dennis Owen RIP (Veronica)</b> <b>Ints Mary O'Keeffe</b> <b>Joanna McLaughlin RIP (A)</b> <b>(McLaughlin)</b>
Thursday 15th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
Friday 16th January	<b>Morning Prayers, followed by Eucharistic Service at 9.30am</b>	<b><u>Prayer Intentions</u></b>  <b>Ints Maeve Taylor (Mohan)</b> <b>Ints Margaret Leyden</b> <b>&amp; Judith Tabor RIP</b> <b>(Josie Baker)</b>
<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</b> <b>(Peace Day)</b> Saturday 17th January   Sunday 18th January	6.00pm	John Symonds RIP (A) (Catherine Coates) & Ints Brendan Drugan RIP (A) (Digby)
	9.00am	Reece RIP & Family Intentions
	11.00am	People of the Parish